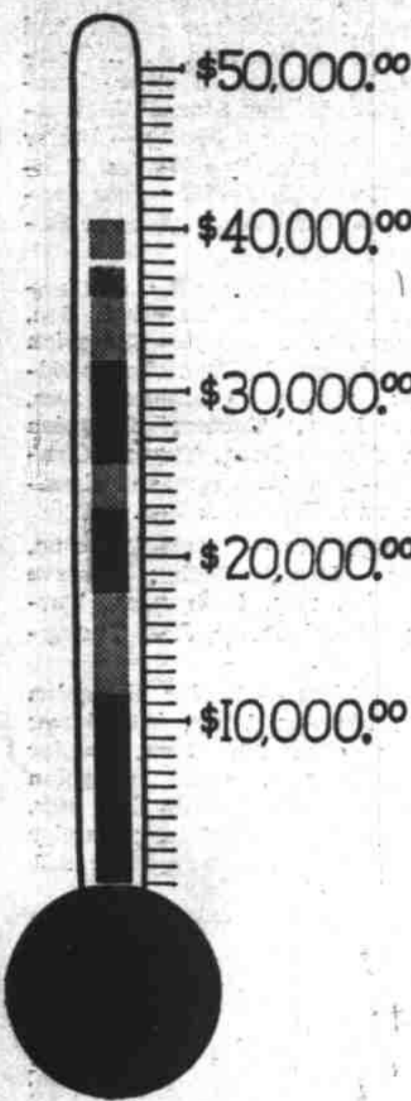


Turn to The Statesman's women's page daily if you're interested in social and club news. There are tested recipes and food hints also.

Cloudy with intermittent light rain today and Friday. Max. temperature Wednesday 61, Min. 48. Rainfall .87 inch. South wind. River -2.4. Cloudy.

Greatest of All Mechanized Battles Rages

Upl Upl Upl!



Watch the pledges "mercury" climb in the Community Chest thermometer. Shaded and black line depicts amounts subscribed each day since the campaign started last week.

Salem's Chest On Final Lap

Drive Tops \$40,000 Mark; Two Days Left In 1941 Campaign

The remaining deficiency in the Salem Community Chest fund was reduced to four figures at the Wednesday report luncheon when pledges amounting to \$2308 were turned in bringing the total to \$40,440 which is about 82 per cent and \$9360 short of the \$50,000 goal.

Report luncheons today and Friday will be the last daily gatherings of campaign solicitors. In case the goal is not reached by Friday, canvassing will continue and there will be later meetings of workers.

George Alexander's government and education division topped the list on Wednesday with \$888 reported bringing its total up to \$8846. The automotive division headed by A. C. Haag is nearest to its team goal.

Gale Causes Ten Deaths, Much Damage

CHARLESTON, S.C., Oct. 8-(AP)—Greatly weakened by a three-day whirl over land, a small-center tropical storm blew out to sea Wednesday off the South Carolina coast, leaving at least 10 dead in its wake.

Born in the West Indies, the hurricane cut across the Bahamas and lower Florida veered northward in the Gulf of Mexico and then lashed across northwest Florida and south Georgia Tuesday. The Bahamas reported three deaths.

Only Guns For Ships Is Sought

FDR Expected to Limit Requests; Opponents Set

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8-(AP)—Opponents of the administration's foreign policy laid plans Wednesday night to oppose the arming of American merchantmen, a step which President Roosevelt is expected to propose in a message to congress Thursday.

"The main decision was to oppose in every way amendments to the neutrality act as being, in fact, an authorization to carry on war," announced Senator Taft (R-Ohio) following a conference of senators and representatives. He said that approximately 60 members of congress, both democrats and republicans, attended the meeting. It followed a report of legislative leaders that Mr. Roosevelt would present his request Thursday.

Taft added that the conferees were "very determined" that the house committee on foreign affairs hold hearings on the whole subject of arming cargo ships and that all felt at least a week should be set aside to hear representatives of the army, navy and others.

"In the World war arming of merchantmen was considered to be a complete failure," Taft asserted.

The president hopes, it was reported, that later congress will also rescind provisions of the same law which forbid American ships to enter ports of belligerent nations.

A decision to confine the legislation to the armed ship issue was reported.

Death Takes Noted Writer Of Film Songs

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., Oct. 8-(AP)—Gus Kahn, who wrote the words to some of the most catchy American popular songs, died unexpectedly Wednesday of a heart attack.

Kahn, usually wrote lyrics to the music of Walter Donaldson, but occasionally Donaldson helped out with the words and often Kahn provided much of the melody.

The hit song, "Pretty Baby," made them topnotchers of Tin Pan Alley before the World war.

"Ain't We Got Fun" was immensely popular after the war. So was "Carolina in the Morning." Flappers of the twenties were made over "Yes Sir, That's My Baby," "It Had to Be You," "I Never Knew," and "My Isle of Golden Dreams."

They had been writing film musicals for eight years. "You'll never get away from me."

Key Witness Convicted SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 8-(AP)—James O'Neil, 41, a key witness in the deportation hearing of Harry Bridges, was convicted of perjury, sentenced to prison for three years and fined \$100 Wednesday.

Forest Grove Dies at 87



FOREST GROVE, Ore., Oct. 8-(AP)—Robert A. Miller, 87, one-time member of the state legislature and former government land office registrar, died at the Masonic home here Wednesday. Known as Colonel Miller, from a title conferred on him by Gov. Sylvester Fennoyer in the 1890's, he was long active in the state's political life. A graduate of Willamette university, he was for a time connected with the Salem Statesman and then entered law and politics. In 1938 he was an unsuccessful candidate for a two-month term in the United States senate. Miller was born near Eugene, Ore., a nephew at Jacksonville, Ore., is the only surviving relative.

New Fund Approved In House

Second Measure Asking Billions Set for Debate

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8-(AP)—President Roosevelt's request for a \$5,985,000,000 lend-lease fund was approved overwhelmingly by the house appropriations committee Wednesday and its backers started it through congress with a cry that "clouds of airplanes" and "acres of tanks" are needed to beat Hitler.

Within a few minutes after the committee approved a \$5,159,416,229 omnibus bill carrying the aid fund, Chairman Cannon (D-Mo) took it to the house floor for three days of debate with this statement:

"Our allies abroad are fighting with their backs to the wall and cannot survive without our assistance. And if they succumb we must at some portion of our continent be faced by an aggressor who in two short years has destroyed every nation in Europe... We must supply them with clouds of airplanes, acres of tanks and munitions to equal and surpass the vast streams of machinery flowing from aggressor countries."

But republicans promptly retorted that since very little of the first \$7,000,000,000 lend-lease appropriation of last March had been spent, the current fund was not needed immediately.

Rep. Taber of New York, senior republican committee member, told the house that there was "place after place" where the fund was needed.

Court to Get Tax Dispute

State Board Will Ask High Bench to Assume Jurisdiction in Row

The state tax commission soon probably today will ask the state supreme court to assume original jurisdiction over a mandamus proceeding aimed at compelling Tom Watson, Multnomah county assessor, to comply with a commission ruling as to the method by which he shall make up his 1941 assessment roll.

Chairman Charles V. Gallo-way of the commission said Wednesday he expected to see the petition filed by tonight.

The commission will ask the court to enforce its order, which overruled a decision of the Multnomah county equalization board and directed the assessor to assess property of all types on a uniform basis.

The Multnomah board had ordered the assessor to return to the old practice in that county of assessing property on a uniform basis.

Statesman's Ad Manager Heads Meet

EUGENE, Oct. 8-(AP)—Harry Schenk, manager of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers' association, announced Wednesday that Robert Sprague, advertising manager of The Oregon Statesman, Salem, would be program chairman for the October 11 association meeting at Portland.

Speakers will include Herbert Grey of the Medford Mail Tribune, Robert Holliday, San Francisco, and Major General George A. White, commander of the 41st division, Fort Lewis.

Sheriff Just Wants Taxes, That's All!

PORTLAND, Oct. 8-(AP)—Sheriff Martin Pratt threatened Wednesday to foreclose on two lots forming the entrance to the city's auto testing station unless \$367.46 in back taxes.

City officials replied that the property once was owned by the water bureau, which sold it to a private owner and then bought it back for the testing station. The taxes piled up while it was privately owned.

The sheriff said the city hall could explain all day—he still wanted the money.

Fire at Baker Injures Five

BAKER, Ore., Oct. 8-(AP)—Fire in the two-story Montgomery Ward store here Wednesday was estimated to have caused \$125,000 damage to the building and stock, partly covered by insurance.

The flames were controlled at 5 p. m., six hours after the fire, of undetermined origin, broke out. Five firemen, overcome by smoke, were revived with oxygen.

Tacoma Span "In Air"

TACOMA, Oct. 8-(AP)—President J. J. Pufman and Secretary Thad A. Stevenson of the Tacoma chamber of commerce reported to members Wednesday, shortly after returning from Washington, DC, that all federal agencies approached had refused to advance funds toward the rebuilding of the narrows span.

Derailment Wrecks Passenger Depot



A 13-year-old boy was killed and 12 other persons injured when a fast Chicago-New York train was derailed and ripped up the tracks, smashing into one end of the Lansing, Mich., passenger depot. The dead youth was James Smith of Lansing. He and those injured were in the depot or on the station platform when the freight cars struck it. Thirty cars were derailed.

County Welfare Group Meets With New Chief

Miss Marion Bowen, Administrator, Approves Additions to Staff; New Office Accommodations Discussed

Meeting for the first time with Miss Marion Bowen, recently-appointed administrator, the Marion county public welfare committee Wednesday approved credentials of three caseworkers and voted to add them to the staff of the welfare department.

Question of housing welfare offices, which arose with expiration in August of the lease on its current quarters and the recommendation of a Marion county grand jury that different accommodations be secured, was discussed without decision.

Addition of the caseworkers will bring the staff more nearly to required size, Mrs. LaMoine R. Clark, chairman of the committee, said. Still unannounced is selection of a caseworker supervisor, made necessary by resignation of the previous supervisor who resigned to continue her graduate studies in an eastern school.

Need for additional personnel was among the items emphasized in the grand jury's special summer report on the welfare situation in Marion county. Properly certified social workers in the fields where they are particularly needed here are not easily available, and the committee was anxious to have all its fall choices made after Miss Bowen's arrival, Mrs. Clark said.

US Indicts Nazi Writer As "Menace"

NEW YORK, Oct. 8-(AP)—George Sylvester Viereck, 54-year-old journalist described by the government as chief German propagandist in this country, was released in \$15,000 bail Wednesday on an indictment charging him with failure to set forth material facts in his state department registration as a representative of a foreign government.

He said he would plead in Washington, DC, Friday, where the five-count indictment, returned by a grand jury there, was opened as soon as Viereck was taken into custody Wednesday morning at his Riverside drive apartment by federal agents.

"He is one of the most serious menaces in this country," William Power Maloney, special assistant to the attorney general, told US officials.

AFL President Demands Work

Appeals to Members To Keep Production Going Full Blast

William Green, president of the AFL, appealed to its members Wednesday night to "stay on the job and keep defense production going at full blast until the enemies of America are soundly defeated."

Green expressed confidence that the government mediation agencies were "ready and willing to give labor a square deal."

Meanwhile the AFL teamsters union called a strike at the \$8,000,000 San Jacinto (Texas) army ordnance depot because the contractors refused to recognize the local as bargaining agent for truck drivers there. Company officials said that a poll showed only five per cent of the men belong to the union.

The union also threatened a strike of AFL truck drivers and construction workers in Detroit if a contract for a \$1,000,000 defense housing project there is awarded to the Currier Lumber company, maker of pre-fabricated housing, which employs CIO labor. The company was low bidder by \$400,000 but officials have held up the contract as a result of the labor situation.

A dispute which tied up 26 vessels last month moved a step nearer settlement when the AFL sailors union accepted a recommendation of the defense mediation board.

Windsors Set For Return

CALGARY, Alta., Oct. 8-(CP)—An enthusiastic crowd of 3,000 packed the railway station here Wednesday night to bid farewell to the duke and duchess of Windsor. The ducal couple left at 7:17 p. m. for Moose Jaw, Sask., en route to the Bahama islands of which the duke is governor. They had spent the last 10 days at the duke's 4,000-acre EP ranch near here.

Chute Fails US Pilot

RIVERDALE, Calif., Oct. 8-(AP)—The pilot of a twin-motored army bomber, believed to be Lieut. K. E. Elliott of McCord Field, Wash., was killed late Wednesday in an apparent effort to parachute to safety from his ship, which crashed and burned in a corn field near here.

Nazi Arc Menaces Moscow

Hitler's Troops Within 125 Miles Of Russ Capital

The grand scale German offensive at the center still was unhalted late Wednesday night.

Slowly and ponderously it moved forward, within 125 miles or less west of Moscow on one front and less than 220 miles south of the capital on the other, over fields of destiny shaken with the terrible clamor of the greatest mechanized battle the world has ever known.

The Russians, flinging themselves desperately at apparently superior forces which Hitler's command was still strengthening constantly with imperative calls to the rear, were fighting a great delaying action which clearly was bleeding the invaders heavily.

More than 500 nazi tanks, Moscow reported Wednesday, already had been destroyed or blown up by the torches of red infantrymen charging into the very snouts of Hitler's steel machines.

But still the great nazis are pressed on. Soviet dispatches of Wednesday did not go much beyond the claim that the German salients were being heavily assaulted in an effort to straighten and hold the red line.

The Germans, their most imminent threatening wing standing somewhere about Vyazma to the west, claimed that a major breakthrough had been made.

Pilot Crashes, Only Scratched

LA VETA, Colo., Oct. 8-(AP)—Lloyd Laffin, 38-year-old aviator, suffered only a small cut on his face Wednesday when he said, "the father of all downdrafts" hurled his airplane at 80 miles an hour into a scrub oak patch high in southern Colorado's Sangre de Cristo mountains.

Parts of the craft in which the Fox Lake, Ill., pilot was charting a seaplane ferry route between Portland, Me., and San Diego, Calif., were scattered for 250 feet through the oak patch near the summit of 9382-foot La Veta pass.

Grand Coulee "Blacked Out"

GRAND COULEE, Wash., Oct. 8-(AP)—Fireworks more spectacular than any Fourth of July celebration danced on Grand Coulee dam for five minutes Wednesday night when a short circuit blew up a 110,000-volt transformer and left the region in darkness.

All work was halted on the dam. The blackout put 200 men on the night shift out of work temporarily. Only Mason City, the government town which gets its power direct from the generators at the dam, still had light and power.

No Smoke Chief Dies

NEW YORK, Oct. 8-(AP)—Dr. Charles Giffen Pease, 86, founder and president of the Non-Smokers' Protective League of America, and a lifelong crusader against tobacco, coffee, tea, chocolate, meat, liquor, condiments and medicaments, died Wednesday.

Terrific Windstorm Slices City Church



A tornado wind sliced away all but the front section of the New Arlington Methodist church on the eastern edge of Kansas City as it followed an erratic course, killing a woman and child, injuring a dozen persons and causing heavy property damage.

Industries in Salem Are Feeling Priorities Pinch

By KAY MORROW Salem industries, like those in other cities throughout the nation, are feeling the effects of federal priorities in getting material needed in their businesses. While some firms have had little trouble, representatives of others say that they will have to go out of business if something isn't done soon to change the picture and speed up the flow of goods vital to their particular enterprise.

Greater forethought in taking contracts and in many cases a curtailment of bids have been the means employed by some firms in getting around the problem. Others have found substitute materials which make it possible to continue their work on a smaller scale.

So far no serious cases of unemployment have been reported from the slowing down of operations with its resultant decrease in size of crews, but the possibility that such a condition may arise was forcibly put by one local company official when he said "It's something isn't done soon we'll all be applying for unemployment compensation."

Salem men in ever increasing numbers have been leaving to take jobs in shipyards, aircraft factories and other defense industries. Such a situation has materially cut down on the supply of skilled labor with the result that several employers report they are forced to go to considerable extra expense to pay their workmen overtime when they would much prefer using an additional shift instead.

Very much concerned about his inability to get materials is Lee U. Eversly, of the Eversly Aircraft company, who reported the situation "is raising 'heck' with us and we'll close up within a few weeks if conditions continue as they are."

With no promise that needed materials would be speeded up, Eversly said that production had been slowed to a point where 20 men instead of 60 are now employed at his plant. Work at Bremerton, Portland and the Boeing aircraft plant in Seattle has taken a large share of the crew.