

Rain Sets Record For July

Cherry Pack Up Over 1945, But Loss Still Heavy

Rain which kept cherry pickers out of still-laden hill orchards of the mid-Willamette valley...

OPA Showdown Fight On; Salem Milk Hiked Today

Living Costs Still Rising In This Area

The rising cost of living rose still more in the Salem area today...

Brothers Dodge Draft 4 Years—Finally Give Up

CHICAGO, July 8.—(AP)—Four brothers surrendered today to federal authorities...

Sen. Barkley Pleads for Compromise

WASHINGTON, July 8.—(AP)—A showdown fight over price controls opened in the senate today...

Frank Spears, Civic Leader, Dies Monday

Frank Herron Spears, prominent in Salem business circles the past 35 years...

Thye, Backed By Stassen, Ahead in Vote

MINNEAPOLIS, July 8.—(AP)—Gov. Edward J. Thye was running 37,000 ahead of Sen. Henrik Shipstead...

900 in Forest Fire Fighting Units of State

More than 900 men are available for forest protection and fire fighting in the 12,500,000 acres of forest land...

Reactivation of 41st Scheduled

SAN FRANCISCO, July 8.—(AP)—Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's Sixth army headquarters will supervise training of National Guard units...

Deputy Tired of Holding Aliens' Cameras, Guns

PORTLAND, July 8.—(AP)—Peace has found Deputy Dorothy Adler of the U. S. marshals' office anxious to return 385 cameras...

6 KILLED IN PLANE CRASH

BLANDFORD, Dorset, England, July 8.—(AP)—Six members of the RAF were killed tonight when a four-engine Halifax bomber crashed shortly after it took off from Tarrant Rushton airfield...

Valley Toll at Eight For July 4 Weekend

The tragic toll of over 500 violent deaths for the July 4 weekend was shared to the fullest in the mid-Willamette valley...

British Loan Clears First House Hurdle

WASHINGTON, July 8.—(AP)—The \$3,750,000,000 British loan cleared its first barrier in the house on a 181 to 87 vote today...

McNary Dam Bids, Detroit Work Slated

LONGVIEW, Wash., July 8.—(AP)—Bids on rock excavation for the Columbia river McNary dam lock and a portion of the approach...

Leave Pay by Bonds Urged

WASHINGTON, July 8.—(AP)—Secretary of the Treasury Snyder disclosed tonight a proposal has been made to congress for use of federal bonds to pay the proposed GI terminal leave pay...

Minimum Berry Price Meet Called

The Oregon cane fruits control board will meet in Salem Wednesday night to consider and possibly fix a minimum price on loganberries, youngberries, boysenberries and blackberries for the 1946 season...

Rep. May Denies Making Profit From Illinois Munitions Firm

WASHINGTON, July 8.—(AP)—L. W. Fields of Whitesburg, Ky., told senate war profits investigators that Rep. Andrew J. May (D-Ky) promoted a Kentucky timberland deal in 1943 on representations that he had the proper contacts for war contracts...

The Weather

Portland 68 84 80
Salem 68 84 80
San Francisco 68 84 80
Chicago 68 84 80
New York 68 84 80



This wreckage of a little convertible coupe in which four teen-age Silverton residents rode to their death early Sunday at the Chemawa-North Howell intersection...

It SEEMS TO ME

By Charles S. Stryker

Tenryk Blaszyk was a boy of 11 in Kielce, a town in Poland. A week ago Monday he ran away from home...

Thereupon the Christians in the town fell upon the Jews, and the word spread to a neighboring town and Christians there fell upon the Jews...

Staff Reduced As Job Claims Show Drop

A two-thirds reduction in the number of claims—from 60,000 a week in the March peak to 20,000 now—has resulted in decreasing the personnel in the Oregon unemployment compensation commission from 476 to 305.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Keep away from me, you—you-quack!"

Invitation To Peace Meet Set

U.S., Britain Win Point; Delegates Get Free Hand

PARIS, July 8.—(AP)—The four-power foreign ministers broke their deadlock on peace conference procedural issues tonight and authorized France to send out invitations tomorrow for the 21-nation general European parley on peace.

The ministers adopted a French compromise proposal providing that a few simple rules, to be considered as suggestions only, would accompany the invitations to the conference, American informants said.

U. S., Britain Win Point

This action represented a victory for Britain and the United States which had held out against binding the peace conference with mandatory rules of procedure as the Russians originally had demanded.

Breaking of the log-jam came after almost eight hours of negotiations.

The agreement of the procedure issue apparently removed the last obstacle to formal convocation of the peace conference to examine proposed treaties with Italy, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria and Finland by the Allied Nations which participated in the war against them.

Barring further unforeseen difficulties, the peace conference will open July 29 in Luxembourg palace, pre-war seat of the French senate.

France Keeps France

On a motion by U.S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes the foreign ministers agreed to accord France the same status on all peace conference committees she enjoyed in the current ministers' sessions. This means that French representative will sit on all commissions, but without the right to vote except in groups concerned with Italian treaty.

Under tonight's agreements China will not be included as an inviting power but will attend the conference as an invited nation.

Peace' Claim Rejected as Japs' Defense

TOKYO, Tuesday, July 9.—(AP)—The "peace and tranquility" which Japanese defendants say followed their conquests can not be considered a defense for the war crimes tribunal, declared today.

He told defense attorneys that none of the 27 defendants would be "exculpated" even if they proved their clients had set up a peaceful regime in north China. Webb sharply rebuked an American defense attorney, Lt. Col. George Furness, for "impertinence" when Furness questioned him further on the point.

A great part of defense cross-examination has been directed to show "peace and tranquility" resulted after the Japanese took over north China, Webb said, adding: "Such testimony might result in mitigating sentences of the accused—from hanging to shooting, shooting to life."

205 Register At Willamette

Willamette university's summer enrollment stood at 205 today as classes began for the eight-week session. Yesterday's registration of 205 included only 30 women, indicating that a majority of summer students are war veterans.

New Highway Job Bids To Be Opened in August

Bids on road and bridge jobs aggregating an estimated cost of more than \$1,500,000 will be considered at a two-day meeting of the state highway commission in Portland August 8 and 9, R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer announced Monday. A large number of bidders were expected to attend the meeting.

QUICKIES

"Goodness, it's garden here—I thought that Statesman Want Ad meant Nylon!"