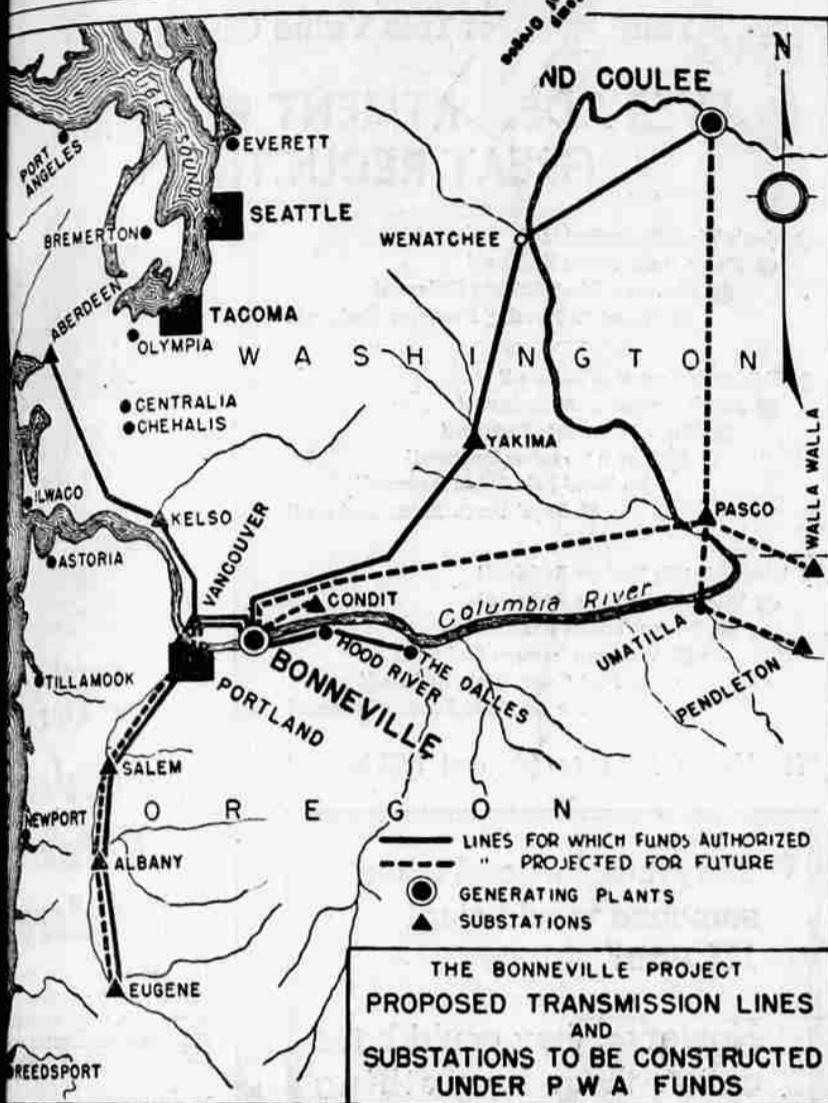


## Mercury Soars To 102 For Season's High



The map shows the power lines which will be built with the \$10,750,000 allocated yesterday by the PWA transmission lines to carry Bonneville dam power. The black lines represent the lines to be built. The dotted lines show what additional lines Administrator J. D. Ross had asked for but which were not provided for in the allocation. Where dotted lines parallel black lines, Ross had asked for double instead of the single lines allocated. (Associated Press photo.)

### Willamette Project Success Hinges on Drive for Funds

There must be no letdown on the part of either Willamette citizens or Oregon's delegation in Washington if the valley project is to be brought out of the planning stage and into reality, Donald Macleay, Washington representative of the project committee, told a meeting of the committee here Wednesday night.

### Unusual Progress Has Been Made in Washington for the Project, Mr. Macleay Said

Unusual progress has been made in Washington for the project, Mr. Macleay said, but the work is far from finished and definite plans should be made now to continue the campaign for funds.

With only a "very slight possibility" that part of the \$11,500,000 amount authorized in the recently enacted flood control bill will be allocated by the president, there are two definite steps that should be taken to insure funds for the project, he declared. First, means should be taken to have a bill passed by the next Oregon legislature appropriating sufficient funds to enable the state to put its own house in order, to make arrangements for acquisition of dam and flood control sites along the Willamette river.

### Million Needed Both Macleay and H. R. Kipp, Executive Secretary of the Willamette Valley Advisory Board, who also spoke briefly at the meeting, were of the opinion that a million dollars will be needed, most of which must be used in making channel reversion improvements.

Second step that must be taken, Macleay said, is an advance campaign to insure inclusion of the Willamette valley project in the civil functions war department bill coming up at the next regular session of congress. There are many projects now before congress that seem to be favored over the Willamette project, Macleay warned, and with approximately three times as much money authorized to be spent as can be allocated from available funds, the fight for funds will continue to be a "hot" one.

### Completion of the project, he declared, will likely depend on annual allocations from the war department, all of which will only be secured by unremitting efforts on the part of Oregon's delegates in Washington.

### Work Refusal Action Demanded By Employers

PORTLAND, July 21.—(AP)—Recognition by the Waterfront Employers Association of refusal of longshoremen to pass a CIO picket line at the West Oregon sawmill and load 2,500,000 feet of lumber on the freighter W. R. Chamberlin, Jr., was demanded yesterday by a Chamberlin steamship company representative.

### Ross Request Pared By Ickes' Orders

WASHINGTON, July 21.—(AP)—Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes disclosed today that \$10,750,000 allotted this week for four Bonneville transmission lines was all PWA now contemplates spending in connection with the hydroelectric project on the Columbia river.

### Asked Whether the Original Request of Bonneville Administrator James D. Ross for \$21,000,000 to Construct Transmission Lines Had Been Reduced, Ickes Said, "Yes."

### Would-Be "Firemen" Wait Near Forest Office For Work

For some days now, signs bearing the message "No Firefighters Wanted" have been posted in conspicuous places at both the Willamette and Siuslaw forest offices, but they were being ignored. Twenty men were loitering Thursday morning on the south lawn of the post office building, which houses the Willamette offices, waiting patiently for a call to fight fire.

Supervisor Foster Steele, looking down on them from his second-floor window, commented, "It disturbs me to see them down there. They seem to be just waiting for a fire to happen. Sooner or later we may have to shout down to them."

### Lightning Sets Three Fires Near Oakridge; Siuslaw Fears Flames

To noon Thursday, three spot fires had been discovered in the Oakridge district of the Willamette forest following a lightning storm Wednesday night, the Willamette forest office reported Thursday. All were quickly put under control.

Popping up two weeks after it was set by lightning, another sleeper fire in the Cascadia district was spotted and extinguished Wednesday. The blaze had been smoldering, undetected, since the severe electric storm of last July 7, Supervisor Foster Steele said.

Three hundred CCC men from camps in many parts of the state were shipped into the southern area of the Smith river blaze Wednesday night, where the fire has eaten into the Siuslaw forest protective unit.

The Siuslaw forest proper, however, has not been touched as yet by the blaze, now estimated at 8000 acres, according to Siuslaw officials.

### Japan-Soviet Clash Feared In Manchoukuo

#### Troops Massed Along Western Border As Nippon Plans Move

By JOE ALEX MORRIS (United Press Staff Correspondent) Japan and Soviet Russia faced each other across the soldier-crowded Manchoukuo frontier again today in one of the most tense and puzzling crises of far eastern conflict and rivalry.

Military officials at Tokyo, which has protested Soviet occupation of a hill claimed by Japan, said they planned a troop demonstration to encourage the Russian forces to withdraw. But if that failed, they added, the Japanese might find it necessary to drive them off the hilltop.

The presence of troops on both sides, the strategic importance of the sector known as Changkufeng and strong statements from responsible sources in Tokyo can only pack the dispute with high explosives of international concern. Yet here was little in the broad picture to indicate that it might touch off a major explosion.

One of Many The Changkufeng dispute is but one of a long series of border incidents—some of which have led to pitched battles—between Japanese and Soviet troops.

Although several hundred thousand crack Japanese troops have remained on guard in Manchoukuo, the main strength of Japan is directed toward the Yangtze valley—and the invader's troubles there have increased steadily recently.

Chinese, halting the Japanese offensive on Hankow before it had reached Kiukiang, claimed today to have launched counterattacks which threw back the enemy in important clashes. Japanese seizure of Hankow, however, appeared from a military viewpoint to be only a matter of time; possibly a month or six weeks if a large-scale effort is actually underway.

### Mishap Or Suicide, Coroner Believes

PORTLAND, July 21.—(AP)—Coroner E. H. Rider, Vancouver, Wash., said circumstances indicated Forrest Collier (Fritz) Burrill, 39, Portland lumberman whose body was recovered from the Columbia river off a Vancouver dock yesterday, either committed suicide or drove his automobile off accidentally.

Burrill's disappearance last June 8 provided the most puzzling case in recent years. He left a lumbermen's meeting at the Portland golf club at 2 a. m., never to be seen alive again. A stopped watch on his wrist showed his automobile plunged off the Vancouver dock at 2:40 a. m.

Rider said it was not clear why Burrill drove to Vancouver, since he had started for his Portland home. Skid marks at the edge of the dock and a battered car window indicated Burrill attempted to free himself.

Burrill's friends and family were amazed at his disappearance and could offer no reason since home and business affairs were in excellent condition.

### "Lost" Port Orford Meteor Said Discovered; Pruett Interested

Reports from Myrtle Point Thursday that a pioneer miner and prospector has known the location of the supposedly "lost" Port Orford meteor, discovered in 1859 by Dr. Evans, for many years elicited great interest on the part of J. Hugh Pruett, Eugene, astronomer at the University of Oregon.

Mr. Pruett, who wrote an article on the Port Orford meteor only last winter, expressed the hope Thursday that the meteor might in fact be once more "uncovered." Scientists the world over have been interested in the meteor ever since its discovery.

Speaking of the meteor Thursday, Mr. Pruett said: "I am very much interested in the story from Myrtle Point regarding the supposed finding of the lost Port Orford meteorite. I truly hope this famous object found by Dr. Evans in 1859, has actually been located," Mr. Pruett stated.

"It will be recalled," he continued, "that after eastern and



"I was real embarrassed," said Douglas Corrigan with a grin, as he told of his "mistake" in heading from New York for Los Angeles, Calif., home and "unexpectedly" landing in Dublin. He is pictured above relating his story to John H. MacVeagh, second secretary of the U. S. legation, while Irish reporters, with knowing smiles, take down the tale which won him life membership in the Wisconsin Liars' club.

### "Wrong Direction" Flier to Return to U. S. on August 5

DUBLIN, July 21.—(UP)—Douglas Gorce Corrigan, hero of a "wrong direction" flight from New York to Ireland, booked a passage home today aboard the United States liner Manhattan, sailing from Queenstown on July 30. The Manhattan will arrive on August 5 in New York where Corrigan will be welcomed in the manner reserved for heroes.

### Pick-a-Back Plane Ends Atlantic Hop

PORT WASHINGTON, N. J., July 21.—(AP)—British Imperial Airways' Mercury, first "pick-a-back" plane ever to fly to this country, arrived here from Montreal at 4:08 p. m., EDT today, 25 hours and eight minutes after taking the air from the back of its "mother plane" over Foynes, Ireland.

Capt. Donald C. T. Bennett, the pilot, completed in two hours and nine minutes the 330-mile hop from Montreal where the four-engined seaplane landed this morning after a 2,850-mile flight over the Atlantic. Time for the Foynes to Montreal hop was 20 hours and 19 minutes.

As it glided to a landing on Manhattan bay the Mercury was carrying a 300-pound cargo of newspapers and photographs and newsreels of the visit to Paris of King George and Queen Elizabeth and of Douglas Corrigan, the 31-year-old Californian who earlier this week flew nonstop to Dublin "by mistake."

### Portland Attorney Arrested In Case

PORTLAND, July 21.—(AP)—Isadore G. Ankels, Portland attorney, was arrested yesterday by federal bureau of investigation agents on charges of kidnaping and conspiracy in connection with the alleged extortion of \$970 from Thomas Lowe, Idaho farmer. Ankels is accused of advising and assisting Anthony Garguilo and Lee W. Tombleson, Portland special police officer, in the alleged extortion plot. Garguilo and Tombleson are charged with kidnaping and impersonation of federal officers.

### Rhubarb Leaf Resembles Parasol—Route F, Of Course

Ab! Route F again. Just as Wednesday's sunshine was getting near unbearable, in comes an offering for a "summer parasol" a rhubarb leaf measuring 34 inches across.

The rhubarb was grown by Mrs. Clara Swift, Route F. The stalk supporting the large leaf was nothing to sneeze at either, measuring 4 1/2 inches in circumference and 15 1/2 inches in length.

Because the "onion editor" has had so many flowers to look at lately (still no hollyhocks from Route F, however), and collections of bugs, reptiles, etc., Mrs. Swift also sent in a dish of her famous strawberries.

And what berries for this season of the year—all of them as large as many gardens produced for the beginning of the season and six of them weighing 4 ounces.

### Woman Shot To Death; Police Seek Marine

PORTLAND, July 21.—(AP)—Police searched today for a 30-year-old man dressed in the uniform of a United States marine following the fatal shooting of an unidentified woman in a hotel yesterday. The woman, about 45, registered at the hotel with the man as Mr. and Mrs. James Carroll. Detective Sergeant John Schum said. The woman's body, shot with a small calibre rifle, was found beneath a bed. The rifle lay on the bed.

### Smith River Blaze Said Under Control

#### Heat and its unmanageable and far more dangerous companion, fire, began the second week of Oregon occupation today with three persons dead and smoke still belching from more than 20,000 acres of forest.

The northwest continued to wallow in the trough of low pressure and the government weather bureau promised only slight relief from temperatures which soared well over 100 degrees in many sections yesterday.

Scottsburg, haze-hidden community on the beautiful Umpqua river, appeared out of immediate danger from the Smith river fire, which appeared to be under control today. Highway authorities reopened the Drain-Reedsport route after they learned the blaze was nearly two miles away. The Smith river inferno, fought by 1300 men, has consumed 6000 acres.

### Heat Too Much For Aged Marathoner; Is Behind Schedule

WILLITS, Cal., July 21.—(AP)—Adam Ziegler, 55, exhausted by heat which once reached 112 degrees, rested here last night before pushing north on his 482-mile hike from San Francisco to Grants Pass, Ore.

### Heat Too Much For Aged Marathoner; Is Behind Schedule

The marathon performer, slowed by the extreme temperature at Ukiah 25 miles south of here, maintained a six-mile-an-hour average but was an hour and 45 minutes behind schedule when he arrived at 1:45 p. m. yesterday. He rested to avoid the peak of the day's heat. Ziegler hopes to improve a record set ten years ago by Flying Cloud, an Indian, who covered the stretch in six days, 23 hours and 10 minutes.

### Von Hentig To Speak At U-O Thursday Night

A first-hand account of what has happened to Germany and other countries in Europe, by a trained observer and noted educator, will be given to University of Oregon summer session students and townspeople Thursday evening, when Dr. Hans von Hentig, visiting professor of law, speaks at an assembly to be held at 8 o'clock in the music auditorium.

The lecture will be an analysis of conditions that brought on the present political state, and its significance in world affairs. Townspeople are especially invited to attend. There will be no admission charge.

### Current Heat Wave Breaks Many Records

#### McKenzie Bridge Lane "Hot Spot" Wednesday With 108 Degrees

With a temperature slightly above 102 at 2:30 p. m., Thursday brought a new heat mark for the season, and broke a 10-year record. The season's high previously was 100, recorded both Wednesday and Thursday. The last time the 102 mark was reached was in 1928. The all-time record is 104 degrees, established in 1926.

### Active Companion of the Current Heat Wave, Demand Fire Was Being Caught in a Human Dragnet

Thursday, reports from the western fire patrol station at Veneta indicated. Fire lines on the west of the Smith river blaze were reported holding strong and on the south "as well as could be expected."

Meager snatches of information Wednesday said embers were falling on the Umpqua highway near Paradise creek, but latest reports Thursday predicted the blaze would be virtually under control on the south within 24 hours.

### Cool On Coast

Torrid temperatures prevailed in all valley and mountain sections of the county through Wednesday and Thursday, except along the coast. There it was very foggy through Thursday morning and the northwest wind kept it cool. Coast sections have been cool and foggy throughout the "heat wave" throughout the interior areas.

McKenzie Bridge ranger station reported all heat records there were broken Wednesday when the thermometer reached 108 degrees. The mercury was well on its way to the 100 mark by early afternoon, recording 98 at 11 a. m. An unofficial report from Blue River indicated the temperature reached 110 degrees there Wednesday.

Oakridge likewise had a record mark of 106, Wednesday, the forest ranger station there stated. At 11:30 a. m. Wednesday, the 88S thermometer nearly touched 100. Humidity dropped to 24 at the station there and to 18 at High Prairie, a very dangerous stage for the forest fire situation. All logging and mill operations have stopped in that section.

Veneta, west of Eugene, registered 98 degrees at noon, Thursday, following a maximum of 101, Wednesday.

Cottage Grove, Creswell, and Junction City regions likewise reported record heat. Cottage Grove thermometers read 100 degrees at 1 p. m.

The unrelenting heat and dropping humidity, with no relief in sight for at least 24 hours more, hourly intensifies the seriousness of the fire situation in this region; while farmers report crops not irrigated are a total loss due to the continued heat and drying warm winds.

The Eugene water board expected Thursday to bring a new all-time record for the amount of water pumped out in a day for city use.

Swimming places, picnic grounds, and soft drink establishments are reporting all-time capacity crowds with thousands of Eugeneans seeking some relief from the intense heat.

### Weather News

No relief is in sight for Friday from the "heat wave," the forecast following:

OREGON: Generally fair tonight and Friday and scattered afternoon thundershowers over southern mountain ranges; slightly warmer in extreme northeast portion tonight; moderate northwest wind off coast.

LOCAL STATISTICS: Minimum temperature, Thursday, 63 degrees; maximum temperature, Wednesday, 100 degrees; stage of Willamette river in Eugene at 7 a. m. Thursday, -2.4 feet; wind, northwest.

SUSLAW TIDES

Friday	High, 8:05 a. m., 7:52 p. m.
Low, 1:26 a. m., 1:17 p. m.	
Saturday	High, 9:19 a. m., 8:55 p. m.
Low, 3:02 a. m., 2:36 p. m.	
Sunday	High, 10:23 a. m., 9:58 p. m.
Low, 4:03 a. m., 3:48 p. m.	