

Weather: Cloudy

TODAY'S NEWS TODAY

Gains Wash City
Thunder
Breaks Heat

Power Interrupted;
Creswell Tree Struck
by Lightning Bolt

A policy but not very dangerous
under storm shook Eugene and
surrounding area Thursday
morning, ending a hot spell that
had sent the temperature to a max-
imum of 88 degrees Wednesday.
Power service in a small portion
of the northeast part of town was
interrupted for about half an hour
Thursday morning when a section-
ing oil switch blew out due to a
electrical disturbance. The
switch blew out at 7:45 a. m. ac-
cused a small flicker in almost all
light but not interrupting
general service.
Most spectacular effect of the
storm was reported from Creswell
where lightning struck a 100-foot
tree in a yard and spiraled its
way to a point seven feet above
ground. There the charge left
the tree, jumped to a cement wall
and cracked it to the ground. Large
pieces of the tree were thrown all
over the yard and across the Pa-
cific highway. Portions of the
tree were burned and charred as if
fire in a stove. The report
has heard all over the area.
The thunder shower, which
assured only 0.1 of an inch ac-
cording to the weather bureau,
finally ended the hot spell. The
maximum temperature up to 1 p.
Thursday was only 68 degrees.

Action On Siuslaw
Harbor Expected

Gus E. Carlson, member of the
committee of Siuslaw commission, ap-
peared before the county court
Thursday afternoon to ask its
support in a movement to make
the Siuslaw river navigable to
ocean vessels as far as the head
of tide at Mapleton. A hearing of
the committee will be held
Friday on the project in the
near future.

The commerce committee of the
United States senate passed a
resolution May 17 directing the
board of engineers to review the
report of Jan. 7, 1937, on the
improvement of the river.
Mr. Carlson said it is hoped to
obtain favorable action on the
project. He pointed out that fed-
eral funds have been made avail-
able for harbors north and south
of the Siuslaw and that the Lane
county port appears to be due
for its share.

Bridges Proceedings
Continue In South

SAN FRANCISCO, July 13.—
The testimony of John L.
Leech, former communist party
organizer, was interrupted today
by Examiner James M. Landis at
the Harry Bridges' deportation
hearing after Leech stated the
testimony is of no conse-
quence in a capitalistic court, that
it may be to the interest of the
workers is justified.

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NICE GIFT

WASHINGTON, July 13.—(AP)—
J. H. Kress, New York mer-
chant, has given the nation a col-
lection of Italian paintings and
culture valued by experts at be-
tween \$25,000,000 and \$30,000,000.

Weather News

Eugene experienced several vari-
eties of weather, ranging from
warm temperatures of Wednes-
day to the thunder shower Thurs-
day morning. The maximum tem-
perature for Wednesday was 88
degrees. The forecast follows:
OREGON: Unsettled tonight and
Friday, thunder storms locally over
mountains and showers on coast,
clearer in interior Friday; gentle to
moderate changeable wind off the
coast.
AIRPORT BUREAU RECORD:
Maximum temperature Wednesday,
88 degrees; minimum, 44.7 de-
grees; precipitation since 4:30 a. m.,
0.01 of an inch; wind at
Thursday, south-southwest.
RIVER BUREAU RECORD:
Stage of the Willamette river at
Eugene, Thursday, 1.9 feet.

Friday
6:00 a. m. 10:31 p. m.
Saturday
6:00 a. m. 4:17 p. m.
Sunday
6:00 a. m. 5:15 p. m.
Monday
6:00 a. m. 6:11 p. m.



NOT at all happy over her victory was Suzanne Nez, five-months-old Navajo orphan, after she had won first prize in a better babies contest at the southwestern All-Indian pow-wow at Flagstaff, Ariz. Suzanne is held by Betty Burton, Hopi Indian nurse.

Garner's Backers Maneuver To Keep New Deal from Dictating Ticket in 1940

By LYLE C. WILSON

WASHINGTON, July 13.—(UP)—Garner-for-president organizers today are leading efforts to prevent administration domination of the 1940 presidential nominating convention.

Vice President John N. Garner, himself, has publicly announced his support of the Hatch bill as originally drafted to bar practically all federal officials from political activity.

Lewis Asks Guard For Mines

Harlan Intervention Asked In Washington

WASHINGTON, July 13.—(AP)—President John L. Lewis of the Congress of Industrial Organizations today asked that the federal government intervene in "bloody Harlan" county, Kentucky, to protect miners from a "politically disinterested and angry governor."

AFL-IEU Labor Battle Seen As Imminent

Local AFL lumber and sawmill union officials intend to challenge the Industrial Employees Union on all fronts in the Willamette valley in spite of statements by IEU officials that the organization was declared to be a bona-fide bargaining agent by the NLRB in its decision handed down Monday.

The officials point to a portion of the decision which they believe opens an opportunity for them to proceed against the IEU, already invalidated in the case of the C. D. Johnson Lumber company of Toledo and of the Willamette Valley Lumber Operators' association whose headquarters are located at Eugene. The excerpt read as follows:

"As the IEU and the IEU locals are not employers they cannot be themselves engaged in unfair labor practices, and the board will not pass upon their activities as distinguished from the activities of

J. H. Miller Funeral To Be Held On Friday

JUNCTION CITY, July 13.—(Special)—The funeral of J. H. Miller, former mayor and prominent citizen, will be held at the funeral home which was operated by Mr. Miller prior to his death at 2 o'clock on Friday, July 14. The services will be conducted by Rev. A. B. Cromwell and Rev. W. B. Empey.

WPA Strike Folds Here; Many Lose Jobs in East

Teacher's Role In Stimulation Of Thought Talked

Campus Delegates Hear Arguments On Subject Of Controversial Items

Whether school teachers should avoid controversial subjects, especially those on politics, or lead and encourage pupils to freely express their views was being argued on the University of Oregon campus Thursday.

These two widely divergent approaches as to what and how the teacher should teach were brought out at the institute on educational policies attended by several hundred educators and citizens.

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Vancouver Babe Back Home

'Joking' Farmland, Child's Mother Jailed

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 13.—(AP)—Maurice Lies, 20, a farm hand, wanted to marry Mrs. Alice Winston, a blonde young divorcee, so he stole her 18-month-old baby to scare her. This was his story to police today and he said it had all been a joke.

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Postmaster Tells Of Airmail Schedules

Under new summer air transport services linking all major Pacific coast cities, air mail patrons of Eugene are given the choice of three fast schedules to California, according to a bulletin released Thursday by Postmaster F. L. Armitage. The postmaster urges Eugene citizens to acquaint themselves with the various trips and with closing times at the Eugene post office in order to use the services most advantageously.

Air mail reaching the local post office not later than 4 p. m. will be flown from Portland to California over night, without loss of business hours, reaching cities as far south as San Diego in time for morning delivery. Airmail deposited at the post office by 3 a. m. will arrive in San Francisco at 1:49 p. m., Los Angeles at 4 p. m., and San Diego at 5:10 p. m. On a third schedule, air mail delivered to the post office not later than 11 a. m. will reach San Francisco at 8:43 p. m. and Los Angeles at 10:55 p. m.

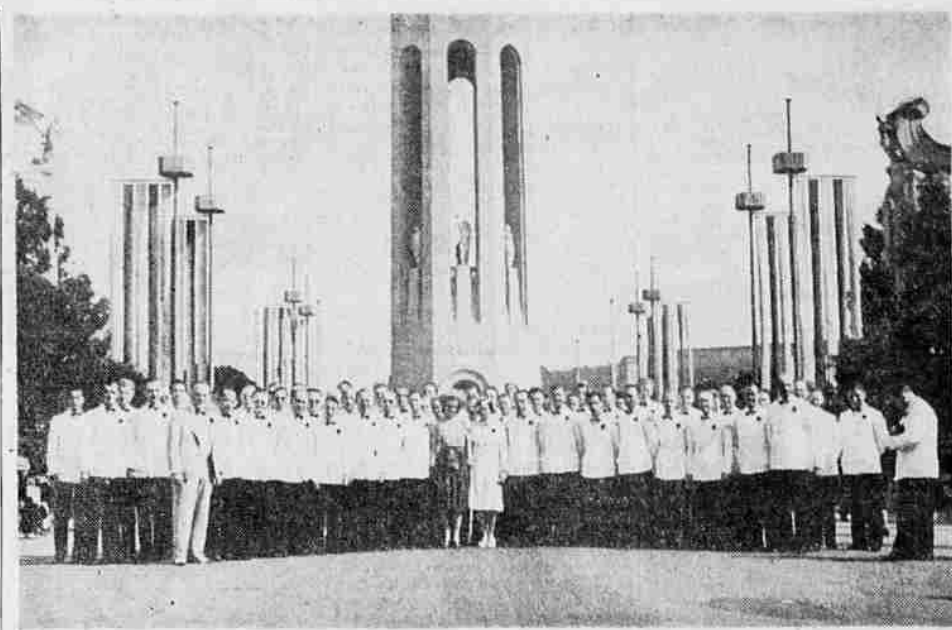
The postmaster pointed out that, in the case of the two-day light trips down the coast, special delivery can be used in conjunction with air mail postage to insure "same day" receipt of correspondence. For example, a special delivery air mail letter reaching the post office by the 11 a. m. closing time can be received that night by addressees in such distant cities as San Francisco and Los Angeles.

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Gleemen To Be Guests At Chamber Luncheon

Guests at the chamber of commerce public affairs luncheon Friday noon at the Osburn hotel will hear all about the trip the Gleemen took to the San Francisco exposition from Gerry Gaylord, publicity manager for the singing group.

John Stark Evans, director of the Gleemen, and directors of the organizations, will be present. Members of the Gleemen have been invited to attend, but will not come as a body.



EUGENE'S GLEEMEN, just back from a successful song invasion of San Francisco, will be honored Friday noon at the weekly chamber of commerce luncheon. Members of the chorus are shown in this picture against a striking background of world's fair architectural splendor with Conductor John Stark Evans. In the center is Accompanist Cora Moore Frey and Miss Dorothy Hammond, in charge of the Oregon exhibit. (Photograph by Dr. James Stewart, Willshire engraving)

Japanese Think Outer Mongolia Scrapes Have Labelled Nippon Superior to Reds

By JOHN R. MORRIS
JAPANESE ARMY HEAD-
QUARTERS, Hailar, Manchukuo, July 13.—(AP)—Japanese army leaders said today that they had about completed their present campaign on the Outer Mongolian frontier, but had made preparations for a situation many times more serious.

A three-day tour of the front and of numerous bases between the front and Hailar, provided ample evidence of the big scale preparations the Japanese-Manchukuan army has made for any future test with the Russian-Outer Mongolian forces.

It appeared that the Japanese had used the present "in-

ci-

dent," which has resulted in nearly two months of frontier fighting, to hold elaborate maneuvers of military and political importance. The Japanese expressed confidence that they had demonstrated their military superiority with both land and aerial arms at a point where they said, the Russians had chosen to contest Manchukuoan boundary claims.

The Japanese assert that they have expelled the "invaders"

twice within six weeks and that they believe they have discouraged Russia from initiating large scale hostilities. They said they had carefully avoided retaliatory incursions into Outer Mongolia.

It was noteworthy that the Russians were now in untested possession of Changku-feng hill, on the Siberia-Manchukuo-Korea frontier which was the scene of a long and bitterly fought battle late last summer. The Japanese withdrew from the hill by agreement.

Japanese intimated they be-

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Route F Road Is Discussed

Realty Board Members Hear Todd, Morse

Dwellers along Route F, who seem to excel in producing rare plants and animals, will be pleased to learn that the Route F highway running through their area will be second to none in the state when completed, according to Victor Todd, WPA administrator in charge of construction.

Mr. Todd shared the spotlight with R. A. McCully, Eugene realtor and long an advocate of a highway connecting Eugene with the coast, in speaking before the regular Thursday luncheon of the Eugene Realty board.

Mr. Todd said the highway, when completed it will be able to carry the heaviest kind of traffic and will be vastly superior to the Eugene to Oakridge highway, or the Coast highway. No road in Lane county will be better."

Since the works projects administration took over the construction from the transient relief people, \$420,000 has been expended upon this link between Eugene and Florence, Mr. Todd stated. Of this sum, \$86,000 has been credited to the county.

Lane county furnishes the working equipment and the WPA performs the labor under the present set-up. The county has spent approximately \$15,000 in purchasing right of way. P. M. Morse, county engineer and surveyor, said there are still about 20 miles of right of way between Veneta to two miles east of Astoria not yet purchased.

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Howard Hughes Lands At Super Airport Near Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., July 13.—(AP)—Howard Hughes landed a specially-equipped Boeing stratosphere at the new Portland-Columbia airport at 9:40 a. m. (PST) today.

The famous pilot, en route to Los Angeles, used the new super airport still under construction because of a 15 to 20 mile-an-hour wind at the Swan Island field in the Willamette river.

Few Answer Alliance Plea For Walkouts

Likelihood Of More Action Thought Small; \$200 In Wages Lost

Lane county's WPA protest strike was over Thursday morning with almost all workers back on the job, it was reported by Victor P. Todd, county supervisor.

While the strike committee remained in existence little action was expected from the group. Last meeting was held Wednesday afternoon at Skinner Butte park, when a group of about 35 attended the scheduled "mass" meeting. The motion to continue the committee was made and approved at that time.

Lane WPA workers had not been expected to prolong the strike although a few men spoke of "holding out until demands were met," at the meeting Wednesday. General sentiment of workers, which has been repeatedly expressed during the past three days was to make a "protest" only.

The number of strikers in the county was set at 160 by Supervisor Todd. Majority of men who went out were from the Camp Jackson road crew on the coast where 90 were reported to have quit. In the city less than 50 workers quit for the half-day demonstration. The strike cost the workers about \$200 in wages, the WPA head estimated.

STRIKE BORN, DIES

PORTLAND, July 13.—(AP)—Oregon's WPA strike that practically died "aborn" yesterday lost more ground today after several strikers in two localities voted to return to work immediately.

Elsewhere mass meetings to discuss strike plans drew scant WPA attendance.

At Salem, where no walkout occurred, the Workers' Alliance local postponed decision on a protest strike until Sunday and announced if a strike was called it only would be a four-hour work stoppage.

Strikers yesterday totaled 362. Added to those who had gone out earlier, the total in Oregon was set at 410 by Assistant WPA Administrator Ivan Oakes. There are about 14,700 WPA workers.

A mass meeting in Portland drew about 100 WPA employees who voted to return to work today and leave further strike plans in the hands of a committee.

13,000 DISMISSED

WASHINGTON, July 13.—(AP)—Works Projects administration officials dismissed more than 13,000 WPA workers today for striking against abolition of the new prevailing wage scale for skilled laborers on relief.

Naval Aircraft Ship Damaged By Blast

NORFOLK, Va., July 13.—(AP)—Naval officials sought the cause today of an explosion and spectacular fire which damaged the huge aircraft carrier Ranger and injured seven enlisted men.

A muffled roar came from the water line amidship the 735-foot vessel, witnesses said, and flames swept over the plane and flight decks for a breadth of 200 feet. Firemen at the Norfolk navy yard, where the Ranger was docked for repairs, battled the blaze for three hours before it was brought under control late yesterday.

Capt. H. E. Keys, captain of the yard, said "we do not know what was responsible for the explosion." Other officers withheld any information in their possession pending an investigation of a board of inquiry.

MILK FLOWS

TIENTSIN, July 13.—(AP)—Japanese blockading the British and French concessions relaxed their restrictions today on the British area's milk supply, permitting entrance of a nearly normal supply.

TO SALEM

YAKIMA, July 13.—(AP)—A department of agriculture hearing on a hop marketing agreement, under way here for two days, recessed late yesterday to reconvene tomorrow in Salem.