

POISON TRIED BY CINDERELLA

AUGUST HEAT RECORDS MAY BE SMASHED

Mercury Expected To Reach 100 Before Night—Longest Dry Spell On Record for Valley.

With the mercury having reached a point 96 degrees above zero at 1:30 this afternoon, and still rising indications were that it would rise to a point near 100 before evening. Friday at 1:30 the temperature stood at 87 and rose to 93 by 5 p. m. Sultry atmosphere, scarcely stirred by a light breeze, made the weather most oppressive.

If no rain falls here by tomorrow the record for the longest dry spell—57 days, established in 1883, will be broken. No relief is offered by the weather bureau.

The forest fire situation was more serious today, the temperature high all over the northwest, and the wind shifting from west to east.

The temperature today showed a rapid increase, rising steadily from 7 o'clock this morning, when it stood at 66.

Even without an increase after 1:30 o'clock, today holds the record for heat since June 25, when the mercury climbed to 95. On June 24 it reached 100, making that date the hottest day of the present year. Even counting today's maximum as 96 today would be the third hottest day of the year.

There was every indication, however, that it might easily equal the record of June 24, or even establish a new high mark for this year.

The heat record for August at Salem is 98, official government statistics giving that temperature as the highest point to which the mercury has climbed during the 33 years that a government observer has been stationed at this city.

Strong probability was seen that this record would be smashed today.

The heat record for all time at Salem is 102, a July mark.

NEW FOREST FIRES IN LAKE REGION

Portland, Aug. 8.—A new fire was reported this morning in the chain of lakes country in Columbia national forest west of Mount Adams. The fire is about a mile long and a quarter of a mile wide, according to the lookout. A train crew of 30 men was on its way to the fire.

The Mount Hood forest also reported a new fire near Rainey lake. Thirty men were on it. The Cedar Swamp creek and Pinhead fires are now under control. Supervisor Sherrard telephoned in that the smoke had so hindered the work of lookouts that eight patrolmen were needed.

Two forest fires were burning yesterday south and southwest of Rainier, Ore. One of the fires are just back of the city's water shed in the same district where a fire burned some time ago. It is reported this morning that this fire is under control.

HEARINGS SET BY SERVICE COMMISSION

The following hearings have been set by the public service commission:

August 18, Gold Hill, application of the highway commission for elimination of a grade crossing.

August 18, Talent, application of Jackson county court for authority to establish a grade crossing.

August 18, Jacksonville, application of Medford-Coast Railway company for authority to abandon railway from Medford to Jacksonville.

August 19, Medford, application of Owens Lumber company for suspension of fencing law.

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Aug. 8.—(AP)—Hastie, Sande ap, won the Saratoga special sweepstakes of \$500 each, with \$1000 added for two year olds at six furlongs today. Foremost finished second in front of Flight of Time. The time was 1:12 2-5.

TWIN CRATERS OF VOLCANO IN ERUPTION

Double Volcano In Lake Nicaragua In Violent Action—California Feels Earthquake Shocks.

Managua, Nicaragua, Aug. 8.—(A. P.)—The double volcano of Omotepe, on Omotepe island, in Lake Nicaragua, has burst into violent eruption from both its peaks. Large quantities of dense smoke and ashes are being thrown out spreading ruin to nearby plantations.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 8.—A slight earthquake shock at 2:13 o'clock this morning was reported to the Santa Fe train dispatcher's office here by the dispatcher at San Bernardino. Telephone operators and police headquarters at San Bernardino reported they had not felt the shock.

San Jacinto, Cal., Aug. 8.—An earthquake shock of a few seconds duration was felt here at 2:15 o'clock this morning. No resulting damage has been reported.

San Diego, Cal., Aug. 8.—A slight earthquake shock was felt here shortly before 3 o'clock this morning. Earthquakes were reported at San Jacinto and Hemet, according to word received here. No damage was done.

ASSERTS ESPEE USED CLUB ON KLAMATH FALLS

That the southern Oregon lumber mills, which he says are the small operators, have been clubbed into protesting against extension of the Oregon Trunk railway in Deschutes and Klamath counties, and subjected to a sort of bribery, was the declaration here today of Charles Eberline of Klamath Falls, who formerly was prominently connected with the Harriman system.

In consideration of their protest against the Oregon Trunk movement, Eberline said the Southern Pacific has abolished switching charges which it always heretofore has refused to do although it worked a hardship on the small operators, and has also granted the so-called "Trucker" or "transportation" rate, which it has refused to do in past years.

"Another club used," said Mr. Eberline, "is this. These operators use Southern Pacific engines in the woods. Should the mills have refused to enter the protest the Southern Pacific would withdraw these engines on grounds that they were needed on the main line."

Eberline predicted that the Oregon Trunk will be accorded a certificate of public convenience and necessity by the Interstate commerce commission, and that the hearing will reveal many things relative to how the Southern Pacific company has kept the Klamath country on "cold storage" for years and forced into California great volumes of commerce that should go to Portland.

"Portland may be asleep to the situation, but the people of Klamath county are not," said Mr. Eberline, "and if it becomes necessary there is one big trump card they can play in order to make shipments possible at reasonable rates. That is the water-grade route down the Klamath river with ports available at Crescent City or Eureka."

SHUMWAY CANDIDATE TO SUCCEED STANFIELD

Portland, Or., Aug. 8.—Announcement was made that A. R. Shumway, president of the Oregon Co-operative Grain Growers association, will be a candidate for United States senator. A. H. Lea, manager of the association and an intimate friend of Shumway, made the announcement.

Wedding Bells?



MARY GARDEN

The reported that Mary Garden has picked an accompanist for life, and that he name will be changed shortly to Mrs. Harry Lachman. The opera star and director refuses to confirm the report.

BOY'S MOTHER MAY RECOVER FROM WOUNDS

Parkersburg, Iowa, Aug. 8.—(AP)—Mrs. R. J. Vandervoort, wife of the Methodist Episcopal pastor who was shot to death Thursday night by their 17 year old son Warren, will probably recover from the two bullet wounds inflicted on her by the youth, attending physicians declared early today.

According to the physicians, Mrs. Vandervoort was fully conscious and passed a restful night. The tragedy in which her husband met death has not been discussed with her since yesterday morning, when she told persons who went to her aid that her son had shot her.

Allison, Iowa, Aug. 8.—(AP)—Charged with killing his father, R. P. Vandervoort, a minister of Parkersburg, Iowa, Thursday night, Warren Vandervoort, 17 today is held here without bond, charged with first degree murder. His mother, who, according to the confession, wrote in his cell he also shot, is seriously injured and in a local hospital.

Motive for the crime has not been entirely established by authorities here and at Parkersburg where the shooting took place. The minister's son in his confession said only that there has been numerous dissensions in the family. He and his father have "always been good friends," however, the confession stated and in most of these moods, the father and son stood together against the mother.

According to the story told in the boy's written confession, he bought a rifle Wednesday afternoon in line with previous plans he and his father had made. His confession did not say what the rifle was wanted for.

Held for Ransom

Tampa, Fla., Aug. 8.—(A. P.)—Police today discovered two Portuguese families, said to be residents of Trunton, Mass., held prisoner by a gang of confidence men. They were said to have been held for 12 days during which time relatives in Massachusetts were alleged to have been robbed of more than \$2000.

Battle All Night To Save Homes From Forest Fire Flames

Astoria, Or., Aug. 8.—Fighting to save their homes from a forest fire which threatened to wipe out the settlement of Thompson's Sliding in Clatsop county, women and children joined men in an all night battle last night and succeeded in turning the flames back from their homes. This morning the settlement was reported out of danger. The fire had passed entirely around the hamlet and was raging on toward the south.

Fire threatened the Nehalem valley farming country near Jewell today. A force of more than 150 men is fighting the blaze and additional reinforcements are being rushed from the north. The district fire warden at Jewell is throwing out all available forces to combat the fire.

TRANSFER OF FLEET HELD USURPATION

McNary Says Admiral Palmer Is Acting Without Legal Authority If Threat Is Carried Out

If Admiral Palmer is threatening to take the merchant marine fleet from Portland he is acting without legal authority, Palmer apparently is seeking to give control of the merchant marine to a favored group. This is the opinion of United States Senator McNary as expressed here today.

Senator McNary believes the opinion of President Coolidge on the question conforms to that of the people of Oregon.

Senator McNary was a member of the senate commerce committee and a member of the sub-committee that framed the present merchant marine act, therefore is familiar with the intentions of congress at the time the act was passed.

"I was not in sympathy with the resolution passed by the shipping board transferring the merchant fleet, corporate control over to the shipping board fleet," said Senator McNary, "as I believe it is contrary to the letter and the spirit of the merchant marine act. Consequently I feel that Admiral Palmer, in threatening to take the fleet from Portland, is acting without legal authority."

Geographical Representation

"One of the foundation supports of the act was to provide for geographical and territorial representation on the shipping board, thereby preventing one-man or one-port control of the shipping facilities owned by the government. The committee who framed the legislation proposed first that America should have a merchant marine, that new trade routes should be established and new markets developed, and that in each large port should be an American fleet adequate to handle the commerce moving to the markets of the world. The ships should be sold to private operators upon condition that these trade routes be maintained and the various American shipping ports have adequate services. If I am rightly informed, Admiral Palmer seeks to give control of the merchant marine to a favored group, which would tend to centralize the utilization of the ships in a few hands. It is my judgment that until congress can provide supplementary legislation looking to the support of a merchant marine that the government vessel now operating from Portland and other ports of the country should not be diminished in number, nor the present trade routes disturbed."

Producers Concerned

"The producers of agriculture and manufacturers in Oregon are interested in an adequate service of cargo-carrying vessels, and any attempted action of one man to destroy or mar the situation should be discouraged, and if necessary be presented in its true light to President Coolidge."

"Before leaving Washington I discussed the shipping board situation on two occasions with the president, and I think his point of view coincides with the thought shared by the people of Oregon."

Hidden Gold's Lure Thought Motive of Stauffer Attack

A charge of assault with intent to kill was today filed in justice court by District Attorney Carson against Walter Bingham, now in a Portland hospital with two bullet holes in his body. Bingham is believed to be one of the two men who attacked Henry Stauffer at his farm near Donald a few days ago, presumably with the intention of robbery. Stauffer happened to have a gun in his pocket and shot one of the men.

The lure of hidden gold on the ranch of Henry Stauffer and his two elderly spinster sisters, is believed by officers to have been the moving cause behind the assault on Stauffer last Thursday afternoon, when two strangers jumped on him, after one had clubbed him in the head. Stauffer saved himself by wrenching loose and turning a revolver on his assailants.

The only possible motive back of the crime has been traced to rumors dating back to war time when it was told about the Donald section that Stauffer, who is a German, had buried his own money and that of two of his brothers on the ranch after removing considerable sums from the bank. That there was nothing at all to the story and that it was a baseless rumor is averred by Stauffer, but like a large number of similar rumors which bubbled up during the war it gained wide circulation and it is believed that the men who attacked Stauffer may have heard the stale rumor and acted on the theory that Stauffer had the money in the house or that he could be lured into telling where it was hidden.

Sheriff Bower, who went to Portland yesterday to look at Walter Bingham, in the Good Samaritan hospital there with two bullet wounds in his body, states

IDENTIFY BODY FOUND IN RUINS AS G. W. BARBE

Martinez, Cal., Aug. 8.—Confirmation of the identification by Cecil Barker, Placerville, Cal., undertaker, of the body found in the Pacific Cellulose company's plant after an explosion was sought by authorities today with only partial success.

Striving for legal proof that it was G. W. Barbe, itinerant laborer and wandering missionary, who is the dead man, as asserted by Barker, and not Charles Henry Schwartz, heavily insured chemist, the police today questioned numerous persons who might have seen Barbe in the vicinity of the cellulose plant.

The description of Barbe, which was contained on a registration card made out by him when he entered the service of the United States merchant marine, was declared by a resident of Saranac, Cal., to resemble that of the man he had picked up on the road and given a ride to Walnut Creek, where the cellulose plant is situated, a short time before the explosion. This man, however, said that the photograph of Barbe which was shown him did not strike him as a likeness of the man he had given a lift.

A bookkeeper in the plant of the company who has given the police considerable information regarded as important, said she had never seen any one around the cellulose factory resembling Barbe.

While the investigators redoubled their efforts for legal corroboration of the insurance hoax theory, Mrs. Schwartz maintained firmly her position, refusing to concede that the body in question was that of her husband whom she married in England.

CYCLE OWNERS UP AGAINST IT

A motorcycle is a temperamental thing, they stand up if its nose is pointed to the curb, and having no reverse gear, it won't run back ward. So motorcycle owners are much perturbed as to what they are going to do under the new head in parking ordinance.

Harry Scott, local motorcycle dealer, visited Mayor Glees today and wanted to know if the ordinance made any allowance for motorcycles, and was informed that it did not. For the standing mechanism on a curb to be effective it appears that the cycle must be on a level or pointed up-grade. Cycles with side-cases attached can't be backed away from the curb and are too heavy to be pushed out by hand, so the cycle owners don't know just what to do. All the information Scott could get from the mayor today was that the cycle law was as well as the curb.

Mayor Glees signed the head-on parking bill today and it will be effective in 10 days. Parking spaces must be painted on the streets before the ordinance goes into effect.

KLAN HOLDS BIG PARADE AT CAPITAL

Knights of the Night, Augmented By Women And Children, March Down Pennsylvania.

Washington, Aug. 8.—(A. P.)—In flowing white robes and high peaked hoods, the Ku Klux Klan paraded in force today along Pennsylvania avenue.

High officers of the order headed the pageant, and behind them marched in mass formation klansmen from many communities in the east, south and midwest.

The parade route lay from the capitol to the treasury and then through the Mall to the scene of an outdoor ceremony to be held tonight at the Washington monument.

Klan headquarters estimated 50,000 members were in line of march and that the parade, starting at mid-afternoon, would not be over until late evening.

Avenue Is Roped.

The avenue was roped along its curbs with steel cables, as it is on inauguration days and behind it on the sidewalks crowds gathered to see the unusual spectacle.

The klansmen marched with visors raised, complying with a capital police ordinance against wearing of masks. An intermittent breeze played with the long cloaks and capes but failed to beat off the oppressive heat of an afternoon of dull sunshine and threatening clouds.

SECOND VICTIM OF AUTO CRASH DIES IN HOSPITAL

Nathan Starkey, who had his chest crushed and his back injured yesterday noon in an auto accident half way between Salem and Jefferson, died at about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Physicians who attended him had stated as soon as he was brought to the hospital, that his injuries in all probability would prove fatal.

Joan Willard Starkey, 19 year old son of yesterday's victim, who was taken to the Salem hospital with him, was reported to be "about the same" this morning. His condition is serious, but is not expected to prove fatal.

Mrs. Starkey, 4 young children, and Mrs. Leona Boyce, all of whom were in the wreck and were more or less injured, were all taken to the Deaconess hospital. Mrs. Boyce is an aunt of Mr. Starkey. She suffered a few bruises in yesterday's smashup.

Theresa Lillian 7 months old daughter, and twin sister of Leona Belle, who was instantly killed in the accident suffered a few cuts about the body and other minor injuries. Jessie Jane, 3 and Willie Louise, 5, encountered practically the same experiences. Eva May, 8, had her leg broken. Mrs. Starkey suffered severely from shock, and was also badly bruised about the body.

Everyone in the accident except the two who died yesterday are expected to recover.

The Starkey family came to this country from India last spring, he having been financially interested in some oil fields there. Their residence was at Burma. They met his aunt, Mrs. Boyce, at Philadelphia, and the party had been touring the country in a heavy touring car since that time. They were on their way to Santa Cruz, Cal., when the accident took place.

Mrs. Starkey is an English woman by birth, her father having been a captain in the British army. She is now an American citizen. Mr. Starkey was born American. They had lived in India for some 10 years, all the children having been born there.

ARGENTINE GIRL STARTS SUNDAY ACROSS CHANNEL

Boulogne, France, Aug. 8.—(AP)—Miss Lillian Harrison, the Argentine swimmer, will not begin her attempt to swim the English channel tonight owing to unsettled weather. She plans to start Sunday night, probably about 11:30 o'clock.

She will enter the water at Cape Gris-Nez. Weather conditions are very promising and the temperature of the channel waters now is about 62 degrees Fahrenheit.

Miss Harrison will be conveyed by the ocean-going tug, Alcega, piloted by the veteran Jean Borthier, who has accompanied eighteen swimmers in their attempts to cross the channel.

A large number of newspaper representatives, photographers and motion picture men will be aboard the tug.

Miss Gertrude Ederle, the American girl, who has been compelled by slight indisposition to postpone her attempt to swim the channel until August 17, her trainer, James Wolf and the Egyptian swimmer, Isach Helmy, also planning to attempt the channel swim, will be among those who will cheer the little Argentine champion on her way.

HOOPER STATES COUNTRY IN BEST POSSIBLE SHAPE

Swampscott, Aug. 8.—Secretary Hoover took advantage of his first conference with the president since the executive left Washington to report on business conditions as he found them on an extensive tour through the west and to express the opinion that the public west of the Alleghenies was profoundly interested in development of waterways.

The United States, Mr. Hoover declared was never in such a strong economic condition as at present. The public is cheerful and hopeful, he said, standards of living are higher than the country has ever before enjoyed and there is no unemployment of consequence.

Conditions are bad in spots, Mr. Hoover admitted, declaring this was to be expected as a nation as large as the United States cannot run "on all cylinders at one time." The farmers of the west and middle he said are covering satisfactorily from their difficulties, although they are not yet entirely in the clear.

With this reference to the waterways problem Mr. Hoover reported widespread interest in the west over comprehensive plans for flood control, irrigation and power development.

Mr. Hoover gained the impression that President Coolidge would be unable to accept San Francisco's invitation to attend the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the founding of the city.

GIRL ADOPTED BY BROWNING TRIES SUICIDE

"Nasty Things" Said of Patron Causes Mary Louise To Swallow Poison—Took Overdose.

New York, Aug. 8.—(A. P.)—Mary Louise Browning, newly adopted daughter of Edward W. Browning, wealthy real estate operator, admitted today that she drank poison this morning because of the "nasty things" which had been said about Mr. Browning's adopting her.

A doctor was called but when he arrived the girl already had vomited the poison.

"Why did you do it?" she was asked.

Reasons for Act

"I did it because I was hysterical and did not know what I was doing, and because of the nasty things Mr. Coler has been saying about Mr. Browning," she said.

Mr. Coler is commissioner of the department of public welfare, who has been conducting an investigation into the circumstances surrounding her adoption, describing it as the "most unusual thing" he had ever encountered.

The girl and Browning had planned to leave today on a weekend auto trip but this was cancelled following the discovery of the girl's act.

Shortly before noon Mr. Browning, accompanied by his new daughter, left for a week-end trip in the Browning auto. Their destination was not announced.

The attempt at suicide, which occurred in the bathroom of the Browning home in Kew Gardens, was averted by Browning, who seized a two ounce bottle of iodine from the girl's hand after a small quantity had passed her mouth. A physician was summoned and an antidote administered.

Browning Summoned

Browning was summoned by telegram by District Attorney Newcombe this afternoon for a further conference. The telegram was followed by a second message in which Mr. Newcombe said evidence had been obtained which set the girl's age at 21 years.

Browning asked the assembled reporters "to find out if the girl was really 21."

"I want to feel out the pulse of public opinion," Mr. Browning said later in a formal statement. "If it is that I should not keep the

Hands-Off Policy Favored by Coolidge In Labor Troubles

Swampscott, Mass., Aug. 8.—(A. P.)—President Coolidge holds to the view that industry, including the coal business, should settle its own labor problems and he is hopeful that industry will find its own solution.

Secretary Hoover made this statement today after he had discussed the anthracite situation with the president. It gave added weight that the administration has no intention of interfering in the wage scale dispute between hard coal operators and miners.

The department head came to White Court to invite the president to attend the San Francisco Jubilee next month and to discuss with him various problems confronting his department and the administration.

Admitting that he had discussed the anthracite situation briefly with the president, Mr. Hoover declined to go beyond his first statement of the executive's view toward industry and the solution of its labor problems other than to say that members of the cabinet were in accord with him.

The impression was gained, however, that Mr. Coolidge and his advisers, are hopeful that anthracite operators and miners will adjust their wage dispute before the expiration of the present wage scale, September 1, despite the recent break in negotiations at Atlantic City.