

### Plant Working On Fertilizer

The manufacture of fertilizer started this week at the plant of the Continental Chemical company on Cherry avenue north of the city.



Landru L. Thornton, member of the sales division of Valley Motor company, who died Thursday. Services will be held Saturday at 2:30 p.m. at First Evangelical United Brethren church.

### Two Killed in Political Fight

Guatemala, Guatemala, July 21 (AP)—Two persons were killed and 10 were injured in a wild street fight between rival political groups here yesterday.

One of the victims was a student, Edgar Lemcke. The politically powerful San Carlos University students association—angered over his death—declared a general student strike.

The clash came between followers of Jacobo Arbenz, government-backed presidential candidate, and supporters of his leading opponent, Gen. Ydigoras Fuentetaja, former Guatemalan minister to London.

The battle began in the capital's shopping district when some 300 government supporters heckled several thousand demonstrators who had gathered to demand that President Juan Jose Arevalo resign.

Arevalo's backers armed themselves with tree branches, while the opposition broke up concrete manhole covers for ammunition.

The presidential election is scheduled to take place next November or December. Arevalo's six year term expires next March.

### Two Killed in Jet Plane Crash

Moses Lake, July 21 (AP)—A F-94 jet fighter plane crashed on the takeoff at Larson air force base near here last night, killing the pilot and his radar operator.

The armed forces public information office at Seattle identified the dead as: 1st Lieut. Leonard F. Hawk, 29, and 1st Lieut. George W. Murphy, 26. Both were from Ephrata. They were assigned to the 318th fighter squadron at Larson base.

The PIO said the F-94 is the air force's newest radar-equipped jet fighter. It was assigned to Larson base from Lockheed only last month.

### Hiking Main Camp Diversion

Hiking and nature study have highlighted the program for boys spending an outing at Camp Silver Creek, operated by the Salem YMCA.

Stuart Cooper, of the Oregon state game commission, spent two days in camp giving chapel talks and conducting nature hikes. One of his expeditions was to the beaver dam.

All of the boys housed in the Hillside unit made a tour of the falls Thursday and slept out Thursday night. They were led by Bob Golf.

Another group is now engaged on a Sky Line trail hike, including visits to Pamela lake, Hunt's cover, and Hank's lake at the foot of Mt. Jefferson.

The Cadillac to Build Tanks Detroit, July 21 (AP)—The army is negotiating with the Cadillac division of General Motors for mass production of tanks.

Col. David J. Crawford, commander of the Detroit arsenal, confirmed negotiations are under way and predicted a contract will be worked out within a few days.

Col. Crawford declined to say what type tank Cadillac will build, but unconfirmed reports said it would be the new 28-ton light tank. Gen. J. Lawton Collins, army chief of staff, has described it as "superior in maneuverability and operations to any type ever seen in warfare."

Cadillac was a major tank producer in World War II.

Naval reservists in this area have received no word that would indicate that any of them will be taken as a group.

### Guard for King Leopold's Return

Brussels, Belgium, July 21 (AP)—The government's "big three" leaders left by air for Switzerland today to bring King Leopold III home from his five-year exile.

Premier Jean Duvieusart, senate president Paul Sturys and house president Frans Van Couwelaert took off for Geneva less than 25 hours after the social Christian (Catholic) majority in parliament voted to recall Leopold.

The king's return tomorrow was expected to be the signal for nation-wide strikes and demonstrations sponsored by the socialists, Leopold's chief opponents.

Already, anti-Leopoldists had plastered the road from Brussels to Laeken palace with signs reading "Abdicat!" and "Leopold III—no!" in letters three feet high.

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Dunne was a GOP nominee for the top state post in 1934. Just before this year's May 19th primary, he threatened to run on an independent ticket if Flegel won the democratic nomination because he claimed Flegel would not aid pension candidates supporting a pension amendment.

If Dunne is nominated by the assembly, he must file the nomination and get his name on the ballot by Aug. 14.



Benjamin Franklin Ramp

### Ragtime Kid of Yukon Poem, 'Dangerous Dan McGrew', Dies

Seattle, Wash., July 21 (AP)—"The kid that handled the music box" the night dangerous Dan McGrew was shot in the Malemute saloon died quietly Monday in a Seattle hospital, his relatives revealed today.

Harvey Claude Myrick, 65, was the ragtime kid of Robert Service's immortal poem of the Yukon. He was a sourdough in the northland at the age of 13 and played the first piano brought into Skagway, Alaska.

In 1907 he was playing a piano in Whitehorse, Yukon territory, the night Service got the inspiration for "The Shooting of Dan McGrew."

"A bunch of the boys were whooping it up in the Malemute saloon. "The kid that handled the music box was hitting a ragtime tune..."

The poet said two years ago that the names in his ballads were fictitious, but the poem was based on actual happenings.

Myrick became known from Nome to Chilkoot Pass as the Ragtime Kid. He followed the gold rushes of the north and later, the glitter of the stage, pounding on his "music box," but he didn't make a "strike" until he set up business in Seattle.

He was wiped out in the 1929 stock market crash, but reestablished himself in business and lived comfortably until his death.

During World War II, the Ragtime Kid "hit" out a few tunes for servicemen in the Seattle USO building.

### Century Mark For B. F. Ramp

Brooks—Easily 100 friends and relatives are expected to call at the old Ramp residence near Brooks Sunday afternoon to pay their respects to Benjamin Franklin Ramp who will celebrate his 100th birthday on that date.

The centenarian was born in Illinois July 23, 1850, and was brought to Oregon in a covered wagon by his parents in 1853, settling first in North Howell for a time.

In 1874 Ramp married Elma Fisher of Brooks and for several years the family lived at Roseburg and Albany, returning to the homestead in Brooks to farm.

Sponsored by the Brooks Garden club, a highlight of the reception will be the traditional birthday cake, baked again this year by Mrs. Dolly Ramp, a tradition with her for the past 30 years.

All Mr. Ramp's friends and relatives are invited to attend the affair which will be held from 1:30 to 5:30 Sunday afternoon.

### General Gray Here Sept. 25

Final arrangements have been made for the visit here September 25 of Maj. Gen. Gordon R. Gray, Jr., who heads the veterans' administration.

The general is to leave Portland for Salem in Gov. Douglas McKay's car at 3 p.m. that day and at 4:30 o'clock that afternoon will be honored at a reception to be given by the Salem Chamber of Commerce.

The governor's wife is arranging a tea for the wife of the head of the veterans' administration at the same hour as the reception is planned for Gray.

In the evening Gray is to speak at a dinner to be given by advisory council of the Salem Memorial auditorium association. Gray will leave Salem via train at 9:10 p.m. the night of September 25. In charge of arrangements for Gray's visit here is Lt. Col. Mark Hillary.

### French Student May Come Here

Plans to bring an exchange student from France to Willamette university for study next fall are now being made by the campus UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.)

Numerous organizations, individuals and clubs throughout Salem have contributed to the program for tuition and expenses of the student. He will be housed in Baxter hall.

### Cane Berry Minimum Off

Woodburn, Ore., July 21 (AP)—The 1950 minimum on Willamette valley cane berries was removed by members of the Oregon cane fruit control board this week to facilitate marketing their crop in face of stiff California competition.

A minimum of 8 1/2 cents had previously been decided upon for loganberries, boysenberries and evergreen blackberries. Indications were that local growers would get about 8 cents a pound this season.

The fruit growers co-operative here said it would begin marketing its cane berry crop in Idaho, Montana and Colorado in an effort to find new outlets. The first carload of Woodburn berries was shipped from Portland Monday.

Famed Author Dies Zurich, Switzerland, July 21 (AP)—Robert Smythe Hichens, 85, who wrote "The Paradise Case" and other best sellers, died last night.

Hichens, born at Speldhurst, Kent, wrote his first novel at 17.

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His "Garden of Allah," published in 1904, sold more than 800,000 copies, was turned into a successful play and filmed several times.

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