

The Weather

Forecast: Cloudy with rain late tonight or Wednesday; frost tonight. Temperature. Highest yesterday 46. Lowest this morning 40.

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3 BURN TO DEATH AT NORTH BEND



By PAUL MALLON (Copyright, 1935, By Paul Mallon) WASHINGTON, April 23.—Do not be surprised if a bright young agent rings your doorbell shortly and starts asking 3,316 simple questions about your home life.



It is an idea which one of the brain trusters thought up one rainy afternoon recently, when he was looking out the window, wondering. The thought is understood to have come to him virtually without effort. As he reasoned it out, the government is trying to plan for all its people and here it does not know much about you, at least about your private life.

Thus evolved bureau of labor statistics form No. 807, with 18 pages of simple questions. It has not been made public yet, but it has been approved by the bureau of home economics and considered at a private meeting of the central statistical board.

The inquisitive thirsters for knowledge have decided to try it out first on families in rural communities under 2,500 population and income groups under \$2,000 a year, thus covering several million families. They have figured it out that each family will require from three to six hours to answer the 3,316 simple questions, depending on the intelligence of the family and the state of household bookkeeping.

The questions unquestionably will strip civilization bare. They will not only develop the number and price of "union suits and combinations" purchased by each member of the family, but also "corsets, girdles, brassieres, bloomers, panties and slips (cotton, silk or rayon)."

Recitation of the outstanding inquiries would take up most of this whole page, but the following are fair samples: Time employed? Rate of pay? Earnings? (for each quarter year).

Rent from boarders? Other income? Expenditure for household medicine, recreation and a thousand other things? Have you a dinette? Elevator? Enclosed porch? Janitor service? Play space?

How much laundry? Wet? Rough dry? (and believe it or not) mangled? How much starch, bluing, cleaning powders, steel wool?

These, of course, are only preliminary questions to get the lay of the land. Next the agent will ask you to itemize your expenses by quarters for 301 different foods, including peanut butter, fish, cod liver oil, soft drinks consumed at home, "other drinks" consumed at home, prunes, dates, brussels sprouts and collards.

There are 20 separate questions provided for frankfurters and hotdogs, both being combined under one heading, apparently for the sake of brevity. But the agent will want to know the sex and age of persons served at each meal during the last seven days from the family fund.

The clothing question, however, is (Continued on Page Six)

City Inspector Frank Rogeta giving building operations at 33 North Central the critical eye.

Bernal Slead being photostatic by rattling money in his pockets.

Heinie Fluhrer and Hamilton Law going for a ride to cool off after a fast badminton set.

Roy Lee basking in the sun in front of his place of business.

"Boss" Rosenbaum proudly announcing that freight shipping is increasing.

Verne Cannon doing the spring house cleaning at the city hall by polishing the front door panels.

Bill Bolger taking advantage of a few minutes of sunshine to put on a grey suit and grey hat.

SLEEPING FAMILY TRAPPED BY BLAZE IN ROOMING HOUSE

Body of Merle Sharrat and Two Children Found in Apartment — Silverton Suffers Heavy Fire Loss

NORTH BEND, Ore., April 23.—(AP) Three persons were burned to death in a rooming house fire in the business district here this morning.

For a while the blaze threatened to sweep surrounding structures. Seven other residents of the rooming house were able to flee the early morning blaze which swept mainly through the second story of the structure.

The dead: Merle Sharrat, 35, taxi driver; his daughter, Marilyn Sharrat, 18 months of age, and his stepson, Richard Marks, 8.

Mrs. Sharrat was not at home at the time of the blaze, which first was noticed about 3 a. m.

Sharrat's body was found in a closet, where he apparently rushed in an effort to escape the flames. The tiny girl was burned to death in her bed and the boy was found suffocated in pillows with which he had attempted to fend off the blaze.

Origin of the fire was not immediately determined. Mrs. Joe Owens, who occupied the apartment next to Sharrat's, discovered the fire. Finding smoke pouring from the locked door of the Sharrat apartment, she immediately called the fire department. The door was battered down, disclosing the sorry tragedy.

Clyde Butcher, a baker, also saw the flames, while on his way home from work and turned in an alarm. Firemen estimated the damage at \$5,000.

SILVERTON, Ore., April 23.—(AP) A fire, originating in the rear of a billiard parlor this morning, destroyed an entire business block in the center of the city before the flames could be brought under control.

Twelve business houses, including the Palace motion picture theater (Continued on Page Seven)

NEIGHBOR WOMAN TAKES STAND IN TRIAL OF LAMSON

SAN JOSE, Cal., April 23.—(AP) After its brief respite from testimony yesterday for an inspection trip to the Lamson cottage on the Stanford campus, the jury in the second murder trial of David A. Lamson settled down to listen to the defense wind up its lengthy case today.

Davidson Tells Crater Park Boat Deal in Trial

GEORGIA GOVERNOR ATTACKS FDR



Governor Talmadge of Georgia is shown in his Atlanta office as he called President Roosevelt a "radical in the extreme form," attacked the NRA and AAA and predicted a third party movement in 1936. (Associated Press Photo)

RELIEF IS RUSHED FOR SUFFERERS IN FORMOSA SHOCKS

TEHERAN, Iraq, April 23.—(AP) Unconfirmed reports received here today said 483 inhabitants of Mesanderan province in northern Iran (Persia) have died in a series of earthquakes which have shaken the area since April 12.

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TAIHOKU, Formosa, April 23.—(AP) Relief agencies, experienced in dealing with earthquake disasters, rushed food, water and medical supplies today into remote sections of northwestern Formosa devastated in Sunday's catastrophe.

The problem of supplying water to the survivors became one of primary importance as a tropical sun parched the tongues of stricken inhabitants and added to the hazard of the spread of disease.

Scarcely a pipeline or a reservoir was left undamaged in the entire stricken area.

Heavy repairs to the shattered railway line leading from here to Tainan and northward enabled relief workers and physicians to speed into the interior with their welcome stores of water, food and blankets.

The latest official casualty figures, which it was believed would be subject to only minor revision, gave the number of dead as 3,152 and the total seriously wounded as 30,406. Damage was estimated at \$3,000,000.

BOY VICTIM OF AUTO SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

The condition of Robert Wayne Carrol, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Carrol, who was seriously injured when struck by an auto on East Main street yesterday morning, was reported improved this afternoon at the Community hospital.

The small boy suffered contusion of the brain, lacerations and a mangled foot when he ran into the path of an automobile.

2340 OUT OF JOB RESULT OF STRIKE CHEVROLET PLANT

Company Will Make No Effort to Operate Toledo Factory — Closed Shop Demand Rejected by Firm

TOLEDO, Ohio, April 23.—(AP) Officials of the Chevrolet Motor company closed its Toledo plant today, throwing 2,340 men out of work, as members of the United Automobile Workers Federal Union walked out on strike.

A recent Automobile labor board election showed this is one of the few plants in the automobile industry where a majority of the workers are members of the union.

Fred Schwake, union representative, said about 600 union men walked out as the first shift of 1,100 workers came to work this morning, and the other employees were sent home by Hugh Dean, chief of manufacturing operations for the entire Chevrolet corporation.

Definitely Closed Dean announced the company will make no effort to operate the Toledo plant, which he described as "definitely closed," thus affecting about 1,200 additional workers who have heretofore reported for work in a second shift.

Dean said the company had 2,340 men on its local payroll and that the shut-down affected all of them.

The strike, described by labor leaders as of national significance, came after company officials rejected the union's demand for a closed shop, although the company offered numerous concessions including a general five per cent wage increase and recognition of seniority rights.

The Toronto specialist issued a statement in which he said he found the babies satisfactorily recovering from an upper respiratory infection which apparently had been transmitted to them from an outside source.

This, he said, emphasized the fact that if the children were to survive they must be kept from contact with individuals other than those in actual care of the infants.

He paid tribute to Dr. DeFoe's handling of the situation which he said had been "thoroughly scientific."

KIWANIAN'S DEFEAT ROTARY AT BRIDGE

Medford Kiwanis club amassed a total of 40,180 points last night to defeat the Rotarians, who scored 25,650, in the second of a series of bridge tournaments between the two clubs.

The victory made the standing one-all, and a play-off will probably be held in the near future, it was announced.

The players were: Kiwanis—J. H. Fletcher, A. F. West, J. H. Reynolds, Fred Gebauer, Otto Fohnweyer, Olen Amulberger, Frank Perl, Darwin Burgher, C. C. Lemmon, C. B. Butterfield, J. C. Mann, Max Pierce, J. C. Thompson and Dr. C. H. Paske.

THOUSANDS READY TO GREET CLIPPER ON RETURN FLIGHT

Message From Huge Plane Says Land in Sight After Bucking Heavy Head Winds Across Pacific

ALAMEDA, Cal., April 23.—(AP) The first aerial round trip between here and Hawaii was completed today with arrival here at 2:30 1/2 p. m. of the experimental transoceanic seaplane, Pan-American Clipper, after bucking heavy head winds much of the way.

ALAMEDA, Cal., April 23.—(AP) Land was sighted by the Pan-American Clipper, en route from Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, to Alameda airport at 2:16 p. m. Pacific time, today, said a radio message received at headquarters here of Pan-American Airways.

Four minutes later the plane messaged she was heading for the Golden Gate.

A crowd of 6,000 people was on Alameda airport awaiting the ship's arrival.

The two messages from the plane gave no indication of the plane's distance from her base here, nor any data on altitude or speed.

SOCIETY LADY'S FINGERS STICKY

CANNES, France, April 23.—(AP) Police today announced they had found jewelry worth 1,000,000 francs—about \$65,000—in a strong box hidden in the hotel room of a London society woman, Mrs. John Circuit.

The search was conducted with Mrs. Circuit in jail, where she had been placed on a charge of stealing a \$2,000 vanity case from Mrs. Harold Laurence of New York.

The police said the jewelry they found included a brooch worth 30,000 francs—about \$1,950—belonging to another English woman, Mrs. Scott Cullingham, a friend of Mrs. Circuit.

BONUS MEANS ADDED TAXATION IS WARNING

WASHINGTON, April 23.—(AP) Secretary Morgenthau told the senate finance committee today that any of the bonus plans now pending would require additional expenditures and therefore would call for additional taxes.

The cabinet officer, surrounded by a semi-circle of senators, warned that "a material decline in the market price of government securities" would result from any large expenditure outside the budget.

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Spaniel Gulps \$80 From Open Purse, Money Recovered

BURLINGAME, Cal., April 23.—(AP) —Sammy, an inquisitive spaniel, was recovering today from a vain attempt to turn himself into a bank.

At the home of his mistress, Miss Natalie Lipman, Sammy apied an open purse from which he gulped \$80 in bills. He gobbled up most of the money but left a bit of one bill sticking to a paw as evidence.

Some medicine was applied and the remains of the bills were recovered, and exchanged for fresh bills.

HUEY'S OUTBURSTS TO BE MET WITH FROZEN SILENCE

WASHINGTON, April 23.—(AP) Democratic leaders in the senate decided today to apply the "silent treatment" to Senator Huey Long (D., La.), who cut loose yesterday with a new assault in which he flung such words as "chinch bug" and "ignoramus" at new deal chiefs.

After experiencing some difficulty and mental strain in remaining in their seats, while Long voiced his threat to take Louisiana out of the tax-paying union, the leaders were said to have reached the conclusion that better results would be obtained by silence than by returning shot for shot.

Senator Robinson of Arkansas, the Democratic leader, was all set to reply at one point yesterday. But he consulted associates first and changed his mind.

Whether or not this agrees with the future strategy of Secretary Ickes, public works administrator, and Harry L. Hopkins, relief chief, it was said authoritatively today to be the policy of senate leaders—at least for the present.

MODERATE FROST SLATED TONIGHT

It's early to bed tonight for valley smudgers, for the weather bureau predicted frost for Wednesday morning.

R. J. Rogers, meteorologist, said the frost will probably be moderate, but that orchardists must be on the job to save buds that are now well developed.

Petals are falling on the early varieties, and all orchards are now in bloom. If the heat is not kept up during freezing temperatures, great damage could be suffered at this stage of the crop, Rogers said.

SALLEE GETS HEARING JUSTICE COURT TODAY

Melvin Franklin Sallee, charged with a statutory offense involving a seven-year-old Central Point girl, will be given a preliminary hearing this afternoon in justice court. Sallee has retained Attorney M. O. Wilkins as counsel.

PAYROLL PADDED TO BUILD CRAFT CLAIMS EX-AIDE

Former Construction Boss at Lake Testifies in Trial of Solinsky — Edwin Is Slated As Next Witness

PORTLAND, Ore., April 23.—(AP) Isaac F. Davidson who pleaded guilty to federal indictments charging payroll padding and defraud, took the stand today as a witness against E. C. Solinsky, former superintendent of Crater Lake National park, who is on trial for similar indictments.

As the second day of the trial before Federal Judge James Alger Fee proceeded, Davidson, former construction superintendent at the park, testified that he was ordered by Solinsky to build a boat for use on Crater lake in the spring of 1932.

Edwin Advocated Padding Davidson testified that in May, 1932, E. A. Edwin, chief clerk at the park, approached him and said there still were no funds in the park appropriation to pay for the boat and they would have to pad the park payrolls to secure the money Davidson advanced to buy materials.

Davidson testified he protested, but was won over to the plan when he was informed he would not recover the money advanced unless he acquiesced.

He said Solinsky paid him \$325 in June, 1932, and paid the balance of the \$785 due in August, 1932. The total cost of the launch was \$1,235, but approximately \$400 of materials were paid for by the park administration in the regular routine.

Davidson did not receive any more money from Solinsky than he had expended for materials and labor on the boat, he admitted under cross-examination by George Neuner, Solinsky's counsel. The boat, priced at \$400 in the catalogue of the company from which the materials were purchased knocked down, still is in use, it was indicated.

It was indicated the defense might contend Solinsky was justified in securing the boat even though payrolls were padded to secure the money. Davidson testified the boat was needed in the park.

Solinsky Not Linked Davidson did not link Solinsky directly with the purported padding. He swore he did not know where Solinsky obtained the funds for the boat.

Edwin's testimony, scheduled to come next, will connect Solinsky with the plot, United States District Attorney Carl C. Donough declared. In his opening statement to the jury, Donough said Edwin would testify that Solinsky ordered him to falsify the payroll records, and to enlist Davidson to assist him.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 23.—(UP) —A federal court jury to hear graft (Continued on Page Seven)

WILL ROGERS says: SANTA MONICA, Calif., April 22.—That Europe is funny. The leader of one country, maby Hitler, maby Mussolini will say something, then all the others will run together and hold a conference. "What did he say? Do you think he will fight or is he bluffing? Then they all go home again and then in a couple of days somebody else will make a statement. Then the huddle starts all over again. Of course, before each gathering adjourns it's understood and goes on the minutes of the meeting automatically that we (the U. S.) are indirectly to blame, that if we would just meet with 'em they could blame it on somebody else. Yours, Will Rogers.

SIDE GLANCES by TRIBUNE REPORTERS

City Inspector Frank Rogeta giving building operations at 33 North Central the critical eye. Bernal Slead being photostatic by rattling money in his pockets. Heinie Fluhrer and Hamilton Law going for a ride to cool off after a fast badminton set. Roy Lee basking in the sun in front of his place of business. "Boss" Rosenbaum proudly announcing that freight shipping is increasing. Verne Cannon doing the spring house cleaning at the city hall by polishing the front door panels. Bill Bolger taking advantage of a few minutes of sunshine to put on a grey suit and grey hat. Edith Stump, maintaining that no matter how early she arises, she's always late for work anyway. Evelyn Long dodging traffic like a Barney Oldfield on West Main street. Bill Vander, singing "Bylva" to 12 interested listeners at the Colonial. Rain In Pendleton. FENDLETON, Ore., April 23.—(AP) —More than an inch of rain which has fallen here the past two days has revived the spirits of wheat growers. Last night 30 inch fell here with considerable snow falling in mountain sections. Streams were up considerably but not near flood stage.

No Guy Ever Led Her to Altar Insists Mae West

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., April 23.—(AP)—Let 'em say what they want, and die up all the mussy old papers they please, but Mae West has her story and she's sticking to it. "These ain't my husbands missing in her life because she never married any." And that the busom Mae decisively goes for the startling discovery of a marriage license issued to a Mae West and a Frank Wallace in Milwaukee on April 11, 1911. "Me a Milwaukee bride?" said Mae. "No—it must have been two other people. Fact is, I never had been in Milwaukee until about four years ago." (Continued on Page Seven)

New Bar Examiners Selected By Court

SALEM, Ore., April 23.—(AP)—Two appointments to fill vacancies on the state board of bar examiners were made today by the supreme court. John W. Reynolds and R. B. Bullivant of Portland were named to succeed Roscoe C. Nelson and B. A. Green, resigned. The next bar examinations will be held in Salem in July, at which time 100 applicants will seek admission to the bar.

Navy Planes Go South. ASTORIA, Ore., April 23.—(AP)—Nine navy sea planes dropped over Astoria from the south today, and continued northward up the Pacific coast. The flight squadron passed over here at 1:04 p. m.

BASEBALL

Table with columns for American League and National League games, listing teams, scores, and key players.

FEAR BOYS LOST IN PUGET SOUND

SEATTLE, April 23.—(AP)—The small 26-foot outboard motor boat in which three youths started across Puget Sound last Saturday night in heavy weather was found this forenoon by the coast guard patrol boat Wigan, overturned and in-shore near Orby Island, the Cygan radioed.

Webb Gets A. P. Post. MASHFIELD, Ore., April 23.—(AP)—Wendell Webb, managing editor of the Coos Bay Times, will resign in May to take a position with the Associated Press in Portland, he revealed today.

EUGENE MILL DEFIES LUMBERMEN'S THREAT

EUGENE, Ore., April 23.—(AP)—Defiance to the threatened strike of sawmill and timber workers' union members was hurled today by the Euge lumber mill with the declaration that in the event of a strike the company will attempt to operate with loyal workmen.

The company declared it could not afford to increase the present wage scale and did not intend to do so.

Townsend Sees Need of Education in Politics

WASHINGTON, April 23.—(AP)—Dr. F. E. Townsend revolved in his mind today a proposal to set up a \$100,000,000 foundation to "teach people to think politically."

The white haired father of the \$200 a month pension plan, which was defeated last week in the house of representatives, made it plain his principal—and first—aim is still that pension program.