

The Weather
Forecast: Increasing cloudiness tonight; rain Thursday; not much change in temperature.
TEMPERATURE
Highest yesterday 58
Lowest this morning 40

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News Behind The News
BY PAUL MALLON
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WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—One reason so many conflicting stories are coming from the Ethiopian battlefield is that two slick propaganda systems there are waging a private war for world favor.

One day you hear from Addis Ababa that the Italians have bombed a defenseless hospital. Next day you learn from Italian headquarters there was no hospital in that particular town. One hour, thousands of Italians have been slaughtered in a battle; the next hour, it turns out to be thousands of Ethiopians massacred instead; and perhaps next day you find the only casualty of the battle was when an Ethiopian dropped a lance on his toes while reaching for rations.

What enables the Italians and Ethiopians to accomplish more murder in the headlines than on the battlefield is that they both control inside avenues of information from the wilderness world in which they are said to be fighting; they have the radio rights on their war exclusively sponsored for their own purposes.

The government here has learned officially that all dispatches from observers with the Italian army must be sent by runner to a central point behind the lines, where sits an Italian censor. This censor radios all dispatches to Rome and nowhere else. In the eternal city, a second Italian censor gets another whack at the news before permitting it to be given to the world.

This does not mean that all, or even most, of the information from the Italian front is propaganda. It does mean that Mussolini's men decide what can go out and what goes into the waste basket. They have big blue pencils, and use them for insertions as well as omissions.

For instance, the cables from Rome recently were clicking off the hot and interesting item about one of Mussolini's sons or nephews dropping the first bomb of the war. Before the dispatch was completed, along came a hurried additional dispatch stating that, of course, the young fellow had been fired on first by the Ethiopians.

The insert was apparently the work of a censor who had an afterthought prompting him to correct the impression that one of Mussolini's boys had started the war.

The set-up on the Ethiopian side is more subtle, but just as effective. There are sixty-eight foreign correspondents in Addis Ababa. The connection they have with the battlefield is a (Continued on Page Six)

MENACE SEEN IN ITALIAN FORCES CLOSE TO EGYPT

Strength of Fleet About Gibraltar and Suez to Be Maintained—Italo-British Clash in Africa Denied

(By the Associated Press)
The continued concentration of Italian troops in the province of Libya, bordering Egypt on the west, was met today with the decision of the British cabinet to carry on its preparedness program in the Mediterranean area.

The cabinet, it was authoritatively stated, decided the strength of the fleet, massed about Gibraltar and the Suez canal, could in no way be diminished.

Deny Italo-British Clash
This action was taken after an unconfirmed rumor reached Rome that the British and Italian troops had clashed on the British Somaliland frontier in East Africa. The rumor was immediately denied in an official statement.

It was reported Premier Laval of France had asked the British cabinet to consider the withdrawal of the fleet, or at least part of it, in the interest of its effecting a plan of peace. Spokesmen in Paris and London, however, expressed ignorance of such a request.

Peace Talk Wanes
As against the rush of war, the talk of peace was but a whisper today. The Italian legions of Mussolini were driving into the strategic interior. In the south of Ethiopia, Haile Selassie's warriors invaded Italian Somaliland in two sectors.

At Geneva, the action of the league was directed mainly at imposing a world embargo against Italian goods. In Paris, French officials disclosed in connection with this plan—that both France and England planned to ask Washington if the United States (Continued on Page Two)

TWO FAMOUS PRISONERS MEET



The first meeting of Warren K. Billings (left) and Tom Mooney, the two famous prisoners of the 1916 preparedness day bombing, was highly charged with drama. Here they are seeing each other for the first time in 18 years as they awaited in San Francisco Mooney's hearing on a petition for a writ of habeas corpus. (Associated Press Photo)

TRIAL OF OXMAN WAS 'WHITEWASH' ASSERTS WITNESS

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 16.—(AP)—Earl K. Thatcher, Woodland, Cal., sheep rancher, testified today he had been told the subornation trial of Frank C. Oxman, late Oregon cattleman and a principal witness against Thomas J. Mooney, "was to have been a whitewash and it certainly turned out to be that."

His statement was blurred out at Mooney's habeas corpus hearing before Supreme Court Referee A. E. Shaw as the Woodland rancher was undergoing a grilling cross-examination by Assistant Attorney-General William Cleary.

Clearly asked why he had signed a statement at the request of Oxman's counsel if he had not given them the information contained in it, the statement, given to Hatcher to read, declared Oxman had taken a train from Woodland at 9:10 a. m. on July 22, 1916, the day of the Preparedness day parade explosion here.

Yesterday Hatcher testified Oxman had been at his home at Woodland until 2 p. m. that day. The explosion, which killed 10 persons, occurred at 2:06 p. m.

SEMON IS SLATED FOR SPEAKERSHIP SPECIAL SESSION

Klamath Democrat Viewed As Solution of Party Deadlock—Republican Leader Pledges Support

By Clayton V. Bernhard
Associated Press Staff Writer
SALEM, Oct. 16.—(AP)—Henry Semon, democrat from Klamath Falls, entered the speakership picture at Portland late yesterday and came out of the democratic deadlock with the speakership of the house of representatives in his pocket.

Not only did the former chairman of the house ways and means committee gain support of both factions in the previous deadlock in the democratic caucus, but he has been assured of considerable republican support.

Hill Backs Semon
Earl Hill, republican floor leader at the regular session, announced today from his home at Cushman that he would support Semon and would urge republican members to do likewise. Hill stated he was reliably informed Semon would be elected. The Lane county republican was present at the series of meetings held the past week in Portland where Semon was voted the only solution for retention of democratic control in the house.

The deadlock, which has been apparent for some time, was caused by two prominent democratic members of the house campaigning for the speakership—William Graham and Howard Latourette. It was found that neither could obtain sufficient support and they voted for the dark-horse candidate. Both will be democratic floor leaders during the special session.

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COUNTY'S BUDGET SAME AS BEFORE; HEARING NOV. 6TH

Drafting Committee Concludes Work on \$526,050 Expense Account—Tax Levy To Get \$355,940

Public hearing on the Jackson county budget for next year will be held Wednesday, November 6, in the court house auditorium. The budget was completed yesterday and its first official publication occurs today.

Appropriations for county offices and departments remain the same as last year, with minor changes.

The county general fund, covering the operation of these offices and departments is placed at \$258,931.32, with estimated receipts of \$108,750, leaving \$150,181.32 to be raised by tax levy.

The total sum for all governmental purposes, including county general fund, roads, elementary schools, state tax and miscellaneous, is \$526,050.32, with estimated receipts at \$170,100, leaving \$355,950.32 to be raised by tax levy for all purposes.

The appropriation for state tax and elementary schools is fixed at \$150,000.

Items in Limitation
All the items are within the 6 per cent limitation fixed by law, with the exception of funds allotted for the redemption of county warrants and the redemption of Crater Lake highway bonds, and the payment of interest on Pacific highway bonds. The appropriations were made for the protection of Jackson county credit and to reduce the warrant indebtedness.

For Crater Lake highway bond redemption, \$12,000 is allotted, and for payment of Pacific highway bond interest, \$13,500 is fixed. Both items fall due next year.

For redemption of county warrant indebtedness, \$20,000 is set aside.

Relief Big Item
Funds for relief and allied funds again constitute one of the major items of the new budget, amounting to a total of \$93,495. By funds it is apportioned as follows:
Poor farm, \$11,795.

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PARENT-TEACHERS ISSUE FINAL PLEA IN MEMBER DRIVE

Names Must Be in Portland Thursday Evening to Count Before State Convention Here, October 22

A final plea to those interested or already pledged to join is issued today by the Parents and Teachers Association of Jackson county, in connection with the membership drive being conducted all over the state. Results of this drive must be mailed to Portland tomorrow night in order to be credited at the state convention to be held here starting Oct. 22. Those who have already promised to join but who have not completed details are urged to do so today or tomorrow at the latest.

Committee chairmen for the convention during the meeting of the city council held yesterday at the home of Mrs. Brenton R. Finch are: General chairman, Mrs. William Cool; registration and credentials, Mrs. Elton Drysdale; publicity, Mrs. B. R. Finch; decorations, Mrs. L. A. Menter; reception, Mrs. Charles Pritchett, who will be assisted by Mrs. A. E. Brockway, Mrs. Ned Gully and Mrs. Alan Smith, presidents of the three local associations; banquet, Mrs. Stanley Jones; housing, Mrs. E. H. Thomas; transportation, Mrs. Lee Watson; exhibits, Mrs. Walter Young; music, Mrs. W. A. Holloway; information, Mrs. C. L. Hopkins; Crater Lake caravan, Mrs. Charles Thompson; hospitality, Mrs. F. C. Dillard; courtesy, Mrs. Arthur Short; membership, Mrs. John Gillings; magazine dinner, Mrs. J. C. Tucker; pages and ushers, Mrs. Carl Bennett; president's breakfast, Mrs. Wayne Keese; secretary-treasurer's breakfast, Mrs. Harry Olson.

Mrs. Jack Huyland, state vice-president, is acting for the state president in heading the arrangements here. An appeal is made to Medford residents who have flowers that might be used in decorations, or rooms to rent during the convention, as it is expected hotels will not be able to care for all the delegates. Those having flowers are asked to call Mrs. L. A. Menter, 972-X, and anyone able to provide housing facilities may call Mrs. E. H. Thomas, 988-X.

A report made at the meeting yesterday brought out the fact that Mrs. Canode's room at the Washington school has a P-T. A. membership of 100 per cent, and that the Washington school as a whole has increased its membership about 22 per cent, bringing the total number up to 165.

Another interesting report from the Jackson school P-T. A. showed that the members have canned 300 quarts of tomatoes for their soup kitchen, picking them from the gardens of Otto Bohner. They also canned prunes, which were donated by Mrs. G. D'Albini.

Merchants of the city are asked to use the association colors, blue and gold, in window displays during the convention. S p e n d i d cooperation from the chamber of commerce, merchants and organizations of the city has been evinced so far.

BIG CITY TRACT CHANGES HANDS IN REALTY DEAL

Entire Block Now Occupied By Swift Building Sold to Leverette Firm—To Be Held for Investment

Transfer of the largest piece of city realty to change hands in recent years was ready for consummation today with the announcement of the purchase of an entire city block by the Cardilleran Theatres Circuit, Inc., from the Jackson County Building & Loan association. The sale was handled by the real estate firm of Brown & White. The price was not revealed.

The property extends from 4th to 5th streets and from Fir to Grape streets. The only building on the land now is the large frame and concrete structure that houses the produce department of Swift & company.

Principal owner of the purchasing company is Walter H. Leverette, prominent orchardist who is associated with George H. Hunt and Gene Childers in the operation of the Craterian, Holly, Rialto and Roxy theaters in Medford. He is also interested in the operation of other theaters in southern Oregon and northern California.

Held as Investment
It was understood that Mr. Leverette plans no immediate development of the city block. It was explained that he bought the tract as an investment which he considered was because of his faith in the future expansion of Medford. Ultimately, it was explained, the property will probably be built up.

The big frame structure on the property has been occupied for years by Swift & Company and the firm will continue occupancy as lessee, it was stated.

Dance Hall Originally
The building was originally called Hilarity hall and was used as a roller skating rink, dance pavilion and an arena for boxing and wrestling bouts. The structure faces Fir street.

Brown & White today also announced the sale of a residence at 924 East Jackson street to Ralph L. Cook of American Fruit Growers, Inc. The property was owned by the Equitable Savings and Loan association of Portland.

The house is a modern five-room bungalow. It was completely renovated inside and out before the sale was made. The new owner was today occupying the premises.

DUM DUM BULLETS AWAITING ITALIANS

ROME, Italy, Oct. 16.—(AP)—A war correspondent of the newspaper Giornale d'Italia reported today the Ethiopians defending Addis Ababa and Aksum had large stores of dum-dum bullets for use against the Italians.

This correspondent said the advancing Italian forces found munitions dumps well supplied with cartridges bearing explosive noses and made in Birmingham.

HULA SKIRT FIRE SUSPECT FREED BY DALLES JURY

THE DALLES, Ore., Oct. 16.—(AP) John A. Moore of Gervin, Ore., stood acquitted today of involuntary manslaughter charges for the "hula skirt" fire death of Olaf Nelson of Oakridge, Ore.

A circuit court jury returned its verdict late yesterday after 45 minutes deliberation.

Nelson was fatally burned when his grass skirt caught fire at a street frolic at the Oregon American Legion convention here August 17. He died later in Portland.

The state charged Moore deliberately lighted the skirt for a joke. Moore said it was accidental, that a spark from his cigarette or a discarded match ignited the skirt. He said he assisted in putting out the fire as soon as possible and did not flee the scene as the state charged.

The state introduced 10 witnesses who testified to circumstances surrounding the tragedy. Only one state witness, C. E. Wynmore of Medford, declared positively that he saw Moore touch a lighted match to Nelson's hula costume.

Wynmore said he was standing in a crowd in front of a local restaurant watching Nelson stage his conical "hula dance." Wynmore said he felt someone reach around him and saw a match touched to the grass skirt. He said he positively could identify the man as Moore, who he said disappeared quickly.

The witness said he made no attempt to catch Moore, instead devoting his attention to extinguishing the fire. His own hands were badly burned.

HELENA JITTERED BY EARTHQUAKES

HELENA, Mont., Oct. 16.—(AP)—The 12,000 inhabitants of Montana's capital city had a bad case of "jitters" today.

Taut nerves and haggard faces characterized citizens terrified by more than half a hundred earth tremors which have shaken the city during a four-day period.

The rumble of trucks and sudden gusts of wind caused usually calm persons to jump with fright.

Many families evacuated their homes to stay with friends in other cities. Doors of houses, stores and offices stood wide open, despite the chilly fall air, enabling occupants to dash outside at the first sign of tremors.

Spells of hysteria and nausea have been common since the first quake shook the sleeping city early Saturday.

PASCALL 'THE PIG' NAMED MURDERER OF TRIO IN UTAH

By John W. Dunlap
United Press Staff Correspondent
SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Oct. 16.—(UP)—Pascall L. Boyer, "The Pig," alias George L. Rutledge, late yesterday was named by a coroner's jury as the frenzied killer who took the lives of three persons and injured two others during a night of horror at Bountiful, village north of here, on Sunday.

Boyer, who revealed his true name during police grilling, had murder charges filed against him last night and will be arraigned today in the justice court at Bountiful.

Lynchings Threats Heard
The former San Diego, Calif. butcher, was not permitted to attend the inquest in the Bountiful city hall following heated threats of lynching by aroused townspeople.

Since his arrest Sunday night, Boyer has been closely guarded in the Salt Lake jail for fear he might commit suicide. He has boasted that he will never come to trial.

Rutledge, as he is called in official proceedings, was named by the coroner's jury as the man who used a .41 caliber revolver Sunday to kill Mrs. Blanche Nelson, 48, widowed mother of two children and Mr. and Mrs. J. Loren East, parents of two children.

From inquest testimony and Boyer's admissions, police assert that Boyer was incensed over Mrs. Nelson's refusal to accept his attentions, enticed (Continued on Page Five)

COUNTY FARMERS WILL BALLOT ON HOG-CORN PLAN

Jackson county holders of hog-corn contracts, numbering 106, will vote Saturday, November 26, on whether or not they desire to continue the contracts for 1936, County Agent Robert G. Fowler announced today.

Notices of the referendum will be sent this afternoon to hog-corn contract holders.

County Agent Fowler said the voting would be by mail, and the votes deposited in a locked ballot box, and the usual forms of holding an election observed. The votes will be counted and the results forwarded to Washington, D. C.

Hog-corn receipts in Jackson county the past year totaled approximately \$14,000. The 1936 contracts differ in many details from the previous years.

Members of the wheat allotment committee for Josephine, Douglas, Coos, Lake, Klamath and Jackson counties met yesterday with County Agent Fowler, and discussed at length the 1936 wheat allotment and contract contracts. The new contracts are for a four-year period.

Arrangements are underway for the holding of a series of meetings in the county for the explaining to wheat men of the new contracts. Announcement of the dates of the meetings will be made at a later date.

ROAD COMMISSION HERE TOMORROW

KLAMATH FALLS, Oct. 16.—(AP)—The Oregon state highway commission, headed by Chairman Henry Campbell, was in Klamath Falls today for an all-day discussion of the county's road needs.

Following a forum luncheon sponsored by the chamber of commerce, the commission was to go into session with city and county officials.

The group arrived this morning from Lakeview and will leave for valley points late this afternoon.

The highway officials are expected to spend a portion of Thursday in Medford.

BRUNO SEES FIFTH GO TO DOOM PAST CELL

TRENTON, N. J., Oct. 16.—(AP)—The footsteps of man marching past his cell to the electric chair is apparently getting to be an old story to Bruno Richard Hauptmann.

Hauptmann slept soundly last night as John Favorito, 25, walked through the little grey door to his death. Favorito was the fifth inmate to be executed since Hauptmann entered the state prison death house.

SIDE GLANCES BY TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Mrs. Earl Wynmore waging war on the flies swarming into the state cops' office to get in out of the cold, whacking them hard enough to kill a mule with the result that she's worn out three fly-swatters already this year.

In striking contrast to the insect slayer on display in the lair of the city sleuths, which is now weary and bedraggled with its tongue hanging out after three years of spartan duty.

Daniel Herring, upon being accused of manslaughter in expecting his 10 cent stick-on shoe soles to last forever: "Hey, I paid a dime for these; they ought to last at least a year."

Bud Hayes enacting the role of Don Quixote, using fence posts for windmills, and whipping out four or five of them with a trunk in avoiding a herd of cows on the Greenpastures.

A group of young gals rushing the Halloween season with a costume party, and a yelling contest in Bigelow's last night.

Mack Lillard's small bulldog surveying the world from a vantage point behind the seat in Mack's coupe, with a supercilious air.

Big Sendoff for Garner Enroute to Philippines

SEATTLE, Oct. 16.—(AP)—Headed by Vice President John Nance Garner, a distinguished United States delegation to the inauguration of the new Philippine commonwealth sailed from here today for the Orient on the President Grant, to the cheers and plaudits of a rousing Pacific north-west send-off.

The big liner and the dock were bedecked with the flags of the nations bordering on the Pacific. The reception, in which state and city officials and members of the party took part, delayed the sailing nearly half an hour, until 11:20 a. m.

"This is an occasion of joy," said Sen. Joseph T. Robinson, of Arkansas, majority leader of the senate. "We have looked forward to it."

"Let it also be an occasion to pledge anew that the United States shall remain free of any European or African war."

Within a month, on Nov. 15, the party, numbering many of the country's leading senators and congressmen as well as the vice president, will officially represent the United States at the inauguration of Manuel Quezon first president of the new Philippine commonwealth.

"President McKinley told the world that we would liberate the Philippines," Garner commented in an interview. "We are now doing what we said we would. I am a man who believes in keeping my word."

He referred to promises made after the United States took the Philippines from Spain at the conclusion of the Spanish-American war.

PETS CHAINED IN 'HORROR SHACKS'

DENVER, Oct. 16.—(AP)—Discovery of two "horror shacks" where dozens of valuable pets were chained to walls and left to starve, resulted today in detention of a 59-year-old woman at a psychopathic hospital and an investigation into what a state humane officer said appeared to be a new "racket."

The officer, Fred B. Panger, said he believed the woman and an unidentified man companion enticed the pets and locked them up until owners offered rewards.

The woman, who said she was Mrs. Bertha Richardson, was arrested when she entered one of the shacks. She was convicted in justice court of cruelty to animals and was fined \$200 before being taken to a hospital for observation.

More than a dozen dogs and cats, emaciated and starving, and crazed from lack of water, were found in the two shacks. Panger said. Littered about the floor were skeletons of pig-eons, rabbits, cats and dogs.

CLIPPER PLANE SAFE AT WAKE ISLAND TODAY

WAKE ISLAND, Oct. 16.—(via Pan American Airways Radio)—(AP)—Homeward bound to California on its return from a 6,000-mile flight over the Pacific ocean to Guam, the Pan American clipper plane at anchor in the harbor here today.

The 19-ton flying boat, pioneering a commercial air route from the United States to the Orient, arrived here at 7:38 p. m. (12:38 a. m. Pacific standard time), flying 1,538 miles from Guam in 12 hours and 17 minutes.

Italy Is Outlaw Nation Says Labor Federation

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Oct. 16.—(AP)—The American Federation of Labor declared Italy an "outlaw nation" today and urged the countries of the world to deny her financial and commercial assistance in the Ethiopian conflict.

"The territory of a peaceful nation has been invaded," a statement adopted by the federation convention said, "in order to carry out a policy of fascist conquest."

"Our country was a leader in the movement which resulted in the Kellogg peace pact. The attack now being made on Ethiopia is in violation of the Kellogg pact."

The statement "emphatically approved" the neutrality policy of President Roosevelt and congress and de-

GRANTS PASS VOTERS VETO SCHOOL BONDS

GRANTS PASS, Oct. 16.—(AP)—By a 50-vote margin, taxpayers of Grants Pass defeated for a second time a proposal to build a new junior high school here. The election held yesterday resulted in a vote of 277 no to 247 yes on a bond issue of \$68,924 for a \$100,000 project to be financed by the PWA. In July a proposal for a \$300,000 building was beaten two to one.

Oh So!
says
FRANK WATANABE
by
ED HOLDEN

We having so many Amateur hours on top the radio of lately that I wondering what are things coming at? It seem everybody and my brother are getting a buff at fame. I thinking maybe in about one years from now it going to be a great distinction mark to gloating over that you never been on the air. Maybe Congress gentleman will give out badges for "Radio Abstaining Courage".
Thank you please.