

The Weather
Forecast: Fair tonight and Thursday, but with considerable cloudiness; moderate temperature.
Temperature:
Highest yesterday 37
Lowest this morning 43
Precipitation past 24 hrs. .03

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The Capital Parade

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PRESIDENT FACES REVOLT OF SENATE LEADERSHIP
F. R. URGES REVIVAL OF REORGANIZATION FIGHT
BYRNES SEES EFFORT DOOMED TO FAILURE
BARKLEY FEARFUL OF PROLONGED SESSION

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Last week the president quietly sent for Senator Alben Barkley of Kentucky and Senator James Byrnes of South Carolina. He gave them the pleasant greeting of a faithful senate majority leader and a hard-working lieutenant. He told them that the defeat of the reorganization bill in the house had been a dreadful blow to his administration. And he suggested (in the tone which means command) that they do something about it in the senate.

It must have been rather like the scene in the old Tom shows, when Simon Legree lays his relentless lash across the back of Uncle Tom. If any impersonator of Uncle Tom ever pulled a longer face than Senator Barkley, the impersonator had unusual natural equipment.

The president's scheme was simple. Long before the senate passed the bill recently rejected by the house, the representatives themselves approved two measures giving the White House large powers to reshuffle the government agencies. The president wanted Senator Barkley and Senator Byrnes, who have hardly recovered from the bruises of the last reorganization fight, to drive these two pretty notions to the senate.

Just where the president picked up this pretty notion is not certain. The unhappy leaders strongly suspect that it was urged on him by Representatives Lindsay C. Warren of North Carolina and John J. Cochran of Missouri. But their suspicion derives from the fact that Warren and Cochran, who were the house pilots of reorganization, discussed the plan with Senator Byrnes. There's really nothing to show who took it to the White House.

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K. OF C. GIVEN SCOUT CHARTER

Charter for Boy Scout troop 1 was presented last night to Rogue River council of the Knights of Columbus at its meeting in the parish hall on South Oakdale avenue.

The presentation was made by Frank Hull, district commissioner and Irving P. Beasley, executive, to Rudolph Singler and Frank DeSouza. The troop, first sponsored by the Knights of Columbus years ago, was recently revived and reorganized.

Arthur J. Bersch is scoutmaster and Charles J. Morrisey assistant scoutmaster. Rudolph Singler is chairman of the Boy Scout committee. Other members are F. E. Harden, Joseph Dobmiller, John Marshall, Michael Schwartz and J. P. Morrisey.

SIDE GLANCES

by TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Collegiate Ardo Stocks, home for the day, greeting old pals.

Wanda Doran appealing for the return of her black Persian cat who disappeared with its three kittens from her home at 8th and 1st.

Rosa Lee actively celebrating her 10th birthday by catching her first trout, beating her angling Poppo by one fish to nothing.

Acting Mayor Hob Deuel putting through the council business in jil time.

George Harrington and his junior high football squad out playing golf.

MAJOR OFFENSIVE GAINS 12 MILES AT TAIERCHWANG

Chiang Kai-Shek's Leaders Say Tide of War Turning in Their Favor—Invaders Losing Thousands

SHANGHAI, May 4.—(AP)—Chinese forces imperilled Japan's whole front in vital southern Shantung province today in an offensive which Chinese dispatches declared had smashed the Japanese center and left flank.

A flying column, Chinese said, struck swiftly around the Japanese left flank cutting their communications, and set the stage for a smashing blow in the Tancheng sector of the jagged Shantung front.

SHANGHAI, May 4.—(AP)—A general Chinese offensive all along the south Shantung front was declared by the Chinese command to have smashed through the center of the Japanese line at Tancheng today and to have advanced 12 miles.

Chinese advance guards fought forward five miles in a night battle, adding these gains to the seven miles they rolled back and bucked up the Japanese lines in the first assault yesterday.

The field commanders of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek declared the tide of war was turning in their favor.

His high command, hopefully awaiting bulletins from the front, said they expected an epochal Japanese defeat similar to that which humbled the divisions of Nippon at Tancheng a month ago.

The second great Japanese offensive through Shantung province, this time greatly reinforced to wipe out the previous defeat, was definitely checked, they declared.

Japanese army spokesmen were silent.

Chinese sources estimated the outnumbered, weary Japanese army had lost 34,000 men, killed in fighting in recent days about Tancheng and Philen on the south and east sides of the salient of which Tancheng formed the west side.

There was no way, however, of verifying these estimates from neutral sources.

MARTIN RECOUNTS UTILITIES RECORD

KLAMATH FALLS, May 4.—(AP)—Gov. Charles H. Martin today toured the agricultural district in the south end of Klamath county after declaring at a public meeting here last night that he has always stood for the best conditions for laboring men and that attempts being made to picture him as a "tory" and oppressor of people who work are "misrepresentation" and "nonsense."

A capacity crowd of 300 filled the Klamath school auditorium to hear the governor review his administration and outline his policy.

The executive dealt chiefly with his public utilities record, citing examples effected under Commissioners Frank McCulloch and N. G. Wallace, and with the old age assistance question, claiming that the "pauper's oath," for which he said he was sometimes blamed, was actually authorized two years before his election in a bill co-authored by his present opponent, Sen. Henry Hess.

CROWD GOING TO CRATER HI-JINKS

Advance reservations indicate a large attendance at the Crater club's annual party in the Hotel Medford tonight.

The hotel basement dining room has been converted into a pleasure resort of 1849 and the whole affair will be conducted in the spirit of the gold rush days. Doors will open at 6, dinner will be served at 6:30, and after dinner anything is liable to happen, declared G. Coyle Briggs, big eruption. Members have been asked to bring friends and all have been urged to dress according to the 1849 period.

A serious phase of the evening's entertainment will be the election of officers. All members paid up for 1937 will receive a fully-paid 1938 membership card for nothing, Briggs said.

Wool Price Drops
DENVER, May 4.—(AP)—Graded wool was offered at the closing of a three-day wool auction here today. A drop to 19 cents a pound marked yesterday's top sale price as buyers took 100,100 pounds of original bag wool.

Jersey Chases Thomas



Mrs. Norman Thomas stood by her husband as the national chairman of the socialist party was twice denied the privilege of delivering an address at Journal Square in Jersey City, N. J. The first time he tried to speak police took him to the ferry. The second time he was placed aboard a New York-bound train. He is shown above to the right of his wife on his second departure.

Confession Clears Mystery Of Naval Officer's Murder

SEATTLE, May 4.—(AP)—Warden J. M. McCauley of the Washington state penitentiary at Walla Walla told the Seattle Times by a long distance telephone interview today that Mrs. Mary Ellen Smith, 73, had confessed she and her son, Earl DeCastro Mayer, killed James Eugene Bassett, a naval officer, nearly 10 years ago.

Mayer is serving a life sentence as an habitual criminal and Mrs. Smith is due to be released next week after serving the minimum eight years' sentence for grand larceny. The two were sent to prison in connection with their possession of Bassett's car.

"She has admitted the murder and implicated her son," Warden McCauley was quoted by the Times as saying.

"But she has not yet disclosed where the body is."

The two were not charged with murder because the body was never found.

Bassett, while on his way from Annapolis to Manila, disappeared here September 3, 1928, shortly after Mayer negotiated to buy his automobile.

Found with Bassett's blue roadster, his wrist-watch and other personal effects in their possession at Oakland, Cal., eight days later, Mayer and his mother were arrested.

DALADIER EDICT DEVALUES FRANC

PARIS, May 4.—(AP)—Premier Edouard Daladier today announced devaluation and stabilization of the French franc, in full accord with the governments of the United States and Great Britain.

He said the "change" in the franc rate would be announced tomorrow morning. He added that the franc might be held slightly higher than the established rate, but in any case would not drop below it.

PARIS, May 4.—(AP)—Officials said today that conversations had been started among the United States, France and Great Britain looking toward amendment of their accord of October, 1936, for monetary stabilization.

Bankers said they believed the talks were designed to facilitate a new readjustment downward of the value of the franc.

TACOMA TIE-UP HOLDING TIGHT

TACOMA, Wash., May 4.—(AP)—Tacoma's port remained closed for its fifth day while question of its reopening was tossed from San Francisco to Seattle to Washington, D. C., today.

On the waterfront here, only a half dozen docks around the steamship Timber Rush were active.

In San Francisco, A. E. Roth, manager of the Pacific Coast Waterfront Employers' association, refused to order the port reopened, informing Tacoma city officials responsibility rested with his association's headquarters in Seattle.

Winter In Curtain Call
LA GRANDE, May 4.—(AP)—Winter handed the Grande Ronde valley a belated and unexpected touch of winter today as cold weather turned rain to flurries of snow.

POPE SADDENED BY HOMAGE PAID HITLER'S EMBLEM

Decoration of Rome With Swastika On Holy Cross Day Mentioned by Prelate; Hitler Has Busy Day

VATICAN CITY, May 4.—(AP)—Pope Pius was quoted by L'Osservatore Romano, the Vatican newspaper, as saying at Castel Gandolfo today that it was "a sad thing" that "the insignia of another cross that is not the cross of Christ" was hoisted in Rome on Holy Cross day.

Yesterday was Holy Cross day. It coincided with the arrival in Rome of Adolf Hitler, in whose honor the city was blanketed with the swastika, the Nazi emblem.

The Vatican organ said the pope beseeched a group of newswriters to be faithful to Christian life and prayer, "since sad things are happening, very sad things, far and near."

"And among these sad things," he continued, "is this: that it is not considered exceedingly out of place and untimely to hoist in Rome on Holy Cross day the insignia of another cross that is not the cross of Christ."

ROME, May 4.—(AP)—Fuehrer Hitler began a week's heavily charged program as Italy's guest today by paying homage to Italy's kings and her unknown soldier, who lies in the vast Vittorio Emanuele monument in Venezia square.

The Fuehrer laid a wreath at the soldiers' tomb while hands blared and his party saluted. They then went to Capitoline hill to salute the monument to fallen fascists.

Premier Mussolini called for his guest at Quirinale palace in an automobile at 9:55 a. m. Thirty-five minutes later, followed by 15 cars, they rode through the streets lined with guards and modest sized early morning crowds.

The two dictators found two periods in the festive round for man-to-man talk on the purposes of their visit, on the occasion of their exchange of gifts.

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Incumbents Lead
Incumbent house members in Alabama, Florida, South Dakota and Indiana who sought renomination were leading on the basis of incomplete returns. This group included Representative Virginia Jencks (D.Ind.), one of five women representatives.

Indiana voters also chose delegates to June conventions which will select senatorial nominees.

Speaker Bankhead was unopposed in his Alabama district. In one Alabama contest attracting widespread attention, Representative Joe Starnes was leading former Senator Thomas J. Heflin, who was trying a political comeback.

Roxy Confectionery Will Be Remodeled

The Roxy Ann confectionery at 15 North Central avenue will close next Sunday evening for about three weeks, while the establishment is completely remodeled and refurnished at a cost of \$45,000, Hanson W. Webster, co-owner, said today.

New installations will include a modern fountain, miscellaneous equipment and all fixtures. The basement will be remodeled and the kitchen and ice cream facilities located there, Mr. Webster stated.

Labor Act Termed Main Bar to Industrial Peace

WASHINGTON, May 4.—(AP)—William S. Knudsen, president of General Motors corporation, told the United States Chamber of Commerce today that the Wagner labor act is "the largest drawback to good industrial relations."

Discussing the strikes that have tied up his company's plants at various times in recent months, Knudsen said in a prepared address:

"The national labor relations board set up to administer the act makes no pretense even of paying any attention to the employer's side of the case."

"He can only be heard when he is summoned, and he knows before he goes that there is no record of a single decision where he has had a ghost of a show, so what?"

The automobile manufacturer's speech renewed an attack on the labor board that started yesterday when Senator Burke (D.Neb.), addressing the labor section of the chamber of commerce convention, demanded that the members of the labor board resign. He proposed that a new board be appointed to represent the viewpoints of labor, management and the public.

RENOMINATION OF PEPPER HAILED BY ADMINISTRATION

Florida Senator Easily Defeats Four Others in Bourbon Race—Starnes Is Leading in Alabama

(By the Associated Press)
Renomination of Senator Claude Pepper of Florida gave the Roosevelt administration a victory today in the first 1938 primary test of the president's popular support.

Shortly after he easily defeated four other candidates in the Democratic race, Pepper issued a statement calling on the people of his state to join forces with Mr. Roosevelt in restoring "a genuine and permanent prosperity."

The 37-year-old attorney, first chosen in 1936 to succeed the late Senator Duncan Fletcher, had been endorsed by James Roosevelt, the president's son and secretary.

Wilcox Second
In second place was Representative J. Mark Wilcox, who has opposed some administration measures and who called Pepper the president's "rubber stamp."

Allen Walker of Winter Haven led Thomas Swanson of Fort Lauderdale in the Republican senatorial primary.

The Florida Democratic contest was the only one in four state primaries yesterday which had any national aspects.

In Alabama, Senator Lister Hill was renominated without opposition. Another senator, 70-year-old Herbert H. Lehman of South Dakota—lost a three-way contest for the Democratic nomination to former Governor Tom Berry.

Berry had a plurality of more than 22,000 on returns from 1,458 of the state's 1,957 precincts. Representative Fred Hildebrandt, ran second and Hildebrandt trailed.

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SALMON TAKE NEARS NORMAL IN COLUMBIA

ASTORIA, May 4.—(AP)—Commercial fishermen found catches of salmon approaching normal yesterday after a poor opening day. Small salmon were being taken by close-meshed drier and flounder nets. Large catch so far was 1635 pounds. Large numbers of flounders, a few steelheads and less green sturgeon were being taken by lower river fishermen.

To Speak Here



Charles A. Sprague, Salem newspaper publisher and Republican primary candidate for governor, will address a luncheon-forum tomorrow noon in Valentine's cafe. The public is invited to hear him.

SCHOOLS OF CITY TO EXHIBIT WORK IN TWO-DAY FAIR

Featuring exhibits of actual work done by students from the first grade through senior high school, Medford's all-school fair opens Thursday night at 7 o'clock in the senior high school auditorium. The two-day show will close Friday evening. Admission is free, and everyone is invited to attend program in the auditorium and view exhibits in the gymnasium and rooms two and three.

An important phase of the fair will be the exhibits of future craftsmen of Medford showing the activities and achievements of high school seniors who are employed by local merchants, in cooperation with Medford public schools and the state department for vocational education, on a half-work, half-study basis. This exhibit will be in the gymnasium.

Exhibits in Gym
All main exhibits will be on display in the gymnasium, including the academic work of senior and junior high and elementary students. These include samples of actual work done in social science, English, mathematics, home economics, art, physical education, trades, foreign languages, commercial departments, science, music, history, civics, home-planning, literature, character development and special education. This latter exhibit will be of special interest, as it deals with the work and achievements of physically and mentally handicapped children.

Another outstanding exhibit in the gymnasium will be that of leisure arts in the elementary grades. Clay-modeling, basket-weaving, wood work, knitting, fancy work, weaving, toy-making will be displayed. Students may earn time for leisure arts by completing all spelling or penmanship requirements, it was explained.

Art exhibits of the entire school system will be in room two at the senior high school, and the works of junior high school clubs and extra-curricular activities will be on display in room three. Visitors are cordially invited to inspect these exhibits.

Music departments of all schools will have their exhibits in the auditorium.

Opens Thursday
The huge fair will start Thursday night with a musical program in the auditorium. Lincoln grade school choir will present a number at 7 o'clock, followed by the Roosevelt school choir, a radio class broadcast, the junior high glee club, senior high boys glee club and school movies depicting various student activities the past year. The program will end at 9:30 p. m.

Program in the auditorium Friday will start at 2:30 p. m. with a radio class broadcast. School movies will follow, and the afternoon program will end at 3:30. Included on Friday evening's program will be presentations by junior and senior high glee clubs, Jackson school choir, Washington school choir, and a playlet by the radio class, "Mountain Justice."

Also in the gymnasium Thursday evening will be a concert by the junior high band, and Friday evening a concert by the senior high school band.

Two Hurt In Crash
EUGENE, May 4.—(AP)—Julius Heilbron and Ernest Rothchild, both of San Francisco, were in serious condition at a hospital here today, the result of a collision with a truck on a curve near Goheen last night. Elvin Powers, driver of the truck, was uninjured.

BIDS ARE CALLED BY CITY COUNCIL FOR STREET WORK

Repair and Reconstruction Program Will Be Started Under \$50,000 Bond Issue — Three Lots Are Sold

A resolution calling for bids for the repair and reconstruction of paved streets was adopted by the city council last night. The resolution also approved plans and specifications for the repair and reconstruction work as prepared by the city engineer.

Bids will be opened by the council at its regular semi-monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 7.

No streets were specified, the bidding to be done on a square yard basis. In this way, it was explained, the council may designate the streets in the order in which the repairs and reconstruction are considered most necessary. The work is to be financed by the \$50,000 bond issue authorized some time ago for this purpose at a special election.

3 Lots Sold
The council approved sale of the following lots: on Ruddy avenue east of Academy place to Harold E. McCormick; at the southeast corner of Dakota and Grant streets to Arthur L. Coggins. Ashland lumber mill owner, on Groveland avenue south of East Main street to Helen Beale Ehinger.

During April 161 planes utilized the municipal airport. It was shown in a report submitted by Thomas A. Culbertson, Jr., airport superintendent, and read by Councilman C. H. Herman. The planes were classified as follows: 23 United States army, 34 private, 2 United States navy, 1 bureau of air commerce, 2 national guard and 109 United Air Lines.

A report prepared by Fred W. Scheffel, city superintendent, and read by Thomas Roseberry stated that 30 property owners had repaired defective or hazardous sidewalks since the previous meeting. Sidewalk repairs were made mandatory by an ordinance adopted early in February. In the absence of Mr. Scheffel, Frank H. Rogers, inspector, said that property owners were continuing to cooperate splendidly in having the walks put in safe condition.

Projects Continued
An April work report prepared by Mr. Scheffel and read by Mr. Roseberry showed that the improvement of children's playgrounds continued during the month under the national youth administration program and that development of Prescott park continued under the CCC program.

An average of 130 men continued improvement of the municipal airport as a WPA project in April. Mr. Scheffel's report said. Notices were served upon property owners to clean up trash in accordance with the city's sanitary ordinance and to trim trees ten feet above the sidewalk and curb, the report stated.

Councilman H. S. Deuel presided in the absence of Mayor C. C. Furness who, with Mr. Scheffel and City Attorney Frank P. Farrell had gone to The Dalles to attend the annual convention of the League of Oregon Cities.

Hess Raps Martin
In G. Pass Address
GRANTS PASS, May 4.—(AP)—In an address chiefly devoted to an attack upon Governor Martin, Henry L. Hess of La Grande pushed his campaign for Democratic nomination for governor at a meeting here last night.

He charged Governor Martin has forsaken the New Deal and pointed to his own endorsement by the A.P.L. as indication he deserves the support of labor.

BASEBALL

American.	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	4	18	3
Boston	1	6	1
National.			
Pittsburgh	4	8	1
Philadelphia	1	5	1
Dietrich and Sewell; Caster, Potter and Brucker.			
R. H. E.			
St. Louis	2	7	0
New York	3	8	2
Hildebrand and Sullivan; Boggs and Dickey.			
National.			
Brooklyn	5	3	0
Pittsburgh	0	12	1
Hamlin, Foedel and Spencer; Bauers, Bowman and Berres.			
R. H. E.			
New York	3	10	1
Cincinnati	3	7	3
Hubbell and Danning; R. Davis and Lombardi.			