

Highest temp yesterday 75
Lowest temp last night 55
Generally cloudy tonight and Wednesday

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NATION'S SPORT CLASSIC OPENS ON BALL FIELDS

Major Leagues Start 1925 Race for Pennant With Big Crowds on Hand.

WEATHER IS GOOD

National Fifty Years Old - Ruth Pleads to Play in Opener, but Is Refused.

Sheely Cloths First Homer

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) DETROIT, April 14.—Earl Sheely, first baseman of the Chicago White Sox, smashed out the first home run of the 1925 major league season today.

CHICAGO, April 14.—Bright sunny weather with just a touch of the chill of spring brought record breaking crowds out today for the opening game of the 1925 major league season.

Ban Johnson, president of the American league, viewing the Tiger opener at Detroit, and President Heydler of the National league estimated that approximately 275,000 spectators jammed the parks in the eight cities to view their favorites in action.

CHICAGO, April 14.—Baseball fandom today started its annual pilgrimage to National and American league arenas for the initial battles of a six-month campaign for baseball leadership.

The New York Yankees, Washington Senators and Detroit Tigers, according to the dopsters, appear to have an edge in the fight for the American league bunting, although the St. Louis Browns, with George Sieler at the helm, are looked on as possible contenders.

In the National league, which incidentally is celebrating its golden anniversary, the New York Giants, the Pittsburgh Pirates and Brooklyn Dodgers are touted as possible winners, with the St. Louis Cardinals a likely competitor in a neck and neck showing.

Perhaps the most sorely disappointed among baseball's followers and players was Babe Ruth, mighty Yankee home run slugger, whose plea to be permitted to play in the opener was met with a cold reception from his physicians, who ordered him back to bed when his temperature still registered at the century mark.

Fair weather today brought spectators of an attendance of 32,000 fans at the season's opener between the Chicago Cubs and Pittsburgh Pirates, with the veteran Grover Cleveland, right hander, opposing Emil Yde, left handed pitcher.

The raising of a flag commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the National league was the only ceremony on the program.

NEW YORK, April 14.—Greater New York's major league baseball teams, opening the 1925 season at (Continued on page 6.)

Red Cross Expert of University of Oregon Summoned to Tornado Swept Districts of Middle West

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) EUGENE, Ore., April 14.—Earl Kilpatrick, of Eugene, dean of the University of Oregon extension division, will leave for the middle west immediately to serve as a member of the American Red Cross executive staff for the rehabilitation of the great area swept by the tornado on March 18.

The Oregon man is an experienced relief worker and has been on the staff of the Red Cross for emergency call since he served during the war as manager of the Northwestern division of the organization.

AMERICAN FARMER'S AVERAGE RETURN ON 1924 WORK WAS \$672

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, April 14.—The farmer's national council estimated in a statement today that American farmers realized on the sale of their crops last year \$5,144,000,000 less than a fair return for their labor would have given them.

Department of Agriculture figures on the value of the crop and livestock production for the year were cited as showing that the average farm family received for its labor \$671.93. The total "deficit" was figured on a basis of \$1500 as a fair average return for such labor.

KILLS HUSBAND OF HIS EX-WIFE THEN SUICIDES

Victim Prominent School Worker—Stephenson on Heavy Bail Facing Five Charges.

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Miss Oberholtzer has been in a critical condition for several days as the result of poison which she told her parents she took at Hammond, Ind., following Stephenson's alleged attack. Stephenson was indicted on five charges by a grand jury which investigated Miss Oberholtzer's story.

Stephenson is at liberty on a \$25,000 bond, pending a ruling by Judge James A. Collins to quash the indictments, which charge assault and battery with intent to kill, assault and battery with intent to rape, malicious injury, kidnapping and conspiracy to commit a felony.

Miss Oberholtzer had been unconscious for two weeks preceding her death. She was widely known in public school circles throughout Indiana. She had served as secretary treasurer of the Young Peoples Reading Circle of Indiana, an organization connected with the public school system, and also was formerly employed in the office of the state superintendent of public instruction.

Earl Klinek and Earl Gentry, alleged to have been companions of Stephenson, are under indictment with him on the charge of conspiracy to commit a felony. According to members of the pit family, Miss Oberholtzer told them she went to Stephenson's home in the Butler college district, near her own home, on Sunday evening, March 15. Stephenson, who was prominent in republican politics and active in the successful campaign of Governor Jackson for the nomination and election, had called her on what he said was an urgent matter, Miss Oberholtzer is said to have told her parents.

While at Stephenson's home, according to her parents, she said she was forced to drink some liquor. Following the drinking, members of the family say, she told them she was taken on a train to Hammond, Ind., and was attacked in a hotel room there.

On Monday, March 16, Miss Oberholtzer said she was permitted to leave the hotel in order to purchase a hat, as she had left her hat at home. According to the story, she purchased and took poison and returned to the hotel, telling Stephenson and his companions of her act. She then was placed in an auto and returned to Indianapolis, arriving in this city Monday evening. Her family declares she was not returned to her home until Tuesday, March 17, when a man left her at the house during their absence. He is said to have informed a neighbor that she had been in an auto accident.

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RANCHER DROPS DEAD ON VISIT TO WOUNDED SON (Associated Press Leased Wire.) BEND, Ore., April 14.—G. G. Surface, Redmond rancher, on his way to a local hospital to visit his young son, was stricken with a heart attack on a downtown street at noon today but managed to get to the hospital where he died.

Surface, who was about sixty years of age, was accompanied by his son Ray and they were coming to visit a younger boy, Garrison, who was accidentally shot March 21, while playing with the brother Ray, at the family home in Redmond.

POLE VAULTER HURT While practicing pole vaulting with the high school track and field team, Frank Loe, a local high school boy, fell yesterday and fractured his left forearm. The pole slipped as he started over the bar, throwing him heavily to the ground upon the arm. The injury was X-rayed and the bone set at the office of Dr. Wade.

WOMAN'S DEATH BLAME LAID TO EX-KLAN LEADER

Miss Oberholtzer Expires of Poisoning Following Alleged Assault.

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'OREGON' JONES LANDS IN JAIL AT SACRAMENTO

SALEM, Ore., April 14.—Bert "Oregon" Jones, who on March 28, 1924, escaped from the state penitentiary by going over the wall with five other prisoners, is under arrest at Sacramento, Calif., according to information received by Warden Dalrymple today from the California State Bureau of Identification. Jones is in a Sacramento jail on a 30-day sentence for petty larceny.

PIONEER CONDUCTOR AND TREASURER PASSES AWAY (Associated Press Leased Wire.) LA GRANDE, Ore., April 14.—John Frawley, 75, a pioneer of Eastern Oregon, died here today. He was treasurer of Union county for 24 years, resigning in 1922 because of ill health. He was conductor on the first railroad train to come into La Grande in 1854. A few years later he was injured in a railroad accident in Washington, causing his retirement from railroad work.

J. D. Loffer was here yesterday, spending a few hours transacting business and purchasing supplies. Mr. Loffer resides at Tillam.

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The amounts found preclude the possibility of its being administered as medicine," said Dr. McNally. "We found mercury in all the organs in amounts such as are found in the organs of people dying from mercurial poisoning. The amounts were similar to those in the organs of persons who have lived 30 days after the mercury was administered.

"We know from experience the distribution of mercury in the organs of the case of mercurial poisoning. We found traces of formaldehyde used as an embalming fluid. It is highly significant that we could find that after 16 years of burial.

Investigation of the death of Mrs. McClintock, whose exhumed body was found to contain mercury poison, has shifted temporarily to Galveston, Tex., from where in 1909 a physician was summoned to attend her in Bayview, Tex., where she was attacked by her final illness.

Galveston authorities have been asked to question Dr. William C. Fisher, who was practicing there in 1909, if he attended Mrs. McClintock and what he prescribed for her. Physicians who attended her after she returned to Chicago to die have said they prescribed no mercury.

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TROUT SEASON TO BE DECLARED OPEN TOMORROW

The open season on trout starts tomorrow, and local stores dealing in sporting goods report that the sale of fishing tackle and equipment indicates a great deal of interest on the part of the fishermen of this vicinity.

Although the main rivers are open to trout fishing the year around, the tributaries, where the best catches are often made, are closed from October 15 to April 15. Starting tomorrow, however, the smaller streams will be open, and the sport will soon be at its best.

The fishermen report the streams still high, with much snow water coming down. However, conditions are improving each day, and within a short time fishing will be right. A number of fine catches have already been made, the South Umpqua being better than in many past years.

Steelheads are running now, and some fine sport is being enjoyed.

Bait is being used generally, at present, but as the water warms up the trout will rise to a fly.

MERCURY GIVEN COMPLETE NEW BY MURDERER ROAD OUTFIT IN SMALL DOSES IS PURCHASED

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EVIDENCE PILES UP Shepherd's Case Paralleled by Discovery of Arsenic in Cunningham Boy's Exhumed Body.

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WOMEN'S CLUBS PREPARING FOR INSTITUTE SAT.

Roseburg Organization Is Sponsoring Meeting for Southern Part State.

MRS. DUNBAR COMING President State Federation to Conduct Meeting—Women of District Are Invited.

Women of Roseburg and Douglas County are anticipating with great interest, the first Southern Oregon institute to be held by the Women's clubs of this section of the state, the meeting being called for Saturday, April 18, at the South Methodist church of this city. The institute will deal with the structure of a club, election and duties of officers and chairmen, eligibility for membership, relation of club to community, and participation in community affairs, fundamental principles every club woman should know, introduction of business at meetings, classification of motions, formalities, club programs, club finance, conventions, reports, records, relation of club to district, state and general federation, and many other topics of interest to club women.

Delegations are expected from Medford, Grants Pass, and Yoncalla, each of the clubs in those places, having promised to send a number of their members to the institute. Invitations have also been extended to the Garden Valley Improvement club, Green P. T. A. and clubs at Olalla, Camas Valley, Looking Glass, and other points, and Mrs. Foster Butner, President of the Roseburg Women's Club, which is in charge of the institute, today stated that a general invitation is issued by the Roseburg club to all interested women of the entire county to be present. A welcome awaits all women of the various communities, and they are urged to attend the sessions.

Between the hours of 12 o'clock and 1 p. m., a luncheon will be served at the church banquet room, and a charge of fifty cents per plate will be made. Women of nearby communities who desire to attend the luncheon, are asked to notify Mrs. J. C. Ponsler before Thursday evening.

This is the first institute of its kind to be held in Southern Oregon and the second in the state. The first was held at La Grande, Oregon, and was a very enjoyable event.

The plan was proposed by Sadie Orr Dunbar, president of the state federation, who advocated a plan at the last state meeting, and the local club approved the idea and decided upon the institute the first of the year.

Mrs. Dunbar has been invited to attend and has announced that she will be present. She expects to be accompanied by department heads from Portland, and will be assisted by them in conducting the institute.

LEVENS' FIRST RAID GARNERS THREE MEN (Associated Press Leased Wire.) SALEM, Ore., April 14.—Three men were arrested and a 100 gallon still confiscated Wednesday by Woodburn and West Woodburn today by George Hurlbert, a federal agent; Roy Bremner, Marion county deputy sheriff, and William E. Levens, state prohibition commissioner. It was the first raid in which Levens has participated.

The men placed under arrest, all of whom are believed by officers to be old offenders, were James Williams, R. L. Wells and Lawrence (Monte) Montgomery.

With the still between two and three gallons of moonshine was taken. No cash was found. The still was located on the farm of May Gregoria.

BANK TELLER IS SHOT BY BANDITS (Associated Press Leased Wire.) DETROIT, April 14.—Three men today held up the branch of the American State Bank at Oregon Avenue and Egworth Boulevard, shot and killed Charles Taggart, Jr., the teller, and escaped with between \$5,000 and \$6,000.

Taggart was the second victim of the holdup men in the bank this month. On March 19, Percy L. Hudson, a customer, resisted the efforts of two men to rob the place and was shot and fatally wounded.

RE-NAMED ON BOARD (Associated Press Leased Wire.) SALEM, Ore., April 14.—The state board of control today reappointed H. H. Witherspoon of Elsie and A. C. Allen of Morehead as members of the state board of horticulture.

Structures at Edison and Ford Plants on Huron River Give Way.

HOUSES SWEEPED AWAY Troopers Prevent Loss of Life by Speeding in Advance of Water With Warning.

DETROIT, April 14.—Scores of families in the valley of the Huron river between Flatrock and Lake Erie were driven from their homes early today, when the dam at the power plant of the Ford Motor Company at Flatrock burst and released millions of gallons of water into the valley.

The break in the Ford Company dam followed the crumbling of the earth embankments that flank the new Detroit Edison Company dam at French Landing, several miles above Flatrock, yesterday. The impounded water of the six mile artificial lake rushed through the break.

The dam is 32 feet high and built partly of concrete and partly of earth. Engineers estimated today that already 10,000,000 cubic feet of earth have been washed away, while the river today is eating into the remaining earth works and engineers believe more will be swept out.

The new power station of the Edison Company has to have been opened May 1. The cost was \$750,000.

More than 5,000 acres are reported under water, which is 12 feet deep in some places and steadily rising. The valley's inhabitants were warned of the flood by troopers from the South Rockwood station of the Michigan state police, who started along the river to rouse persons living nearby as soon as guards at the dam had telephoned the station of the trouble. So rapidly did the water rise that the officers were soon forced to take to boats, going thus from house to house with their warning, ferrying scores of families to safety and sending the men on ahead in the commandeered boats to aid in the (Continued on page 2.)

VIRGINIA JUDGE IS VICTIM OF GUNSHOT.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) BRISTOL, Va., April 14.—Judge Joseph L. Kelley of the Virginia supreme court of appeals died today of gunshot wounds. He was entering the basement of his home when the family heard a shot and found him fatally injured.

Impossible to Assent to Conditions Demanded by Socialists.

BLOC HOLDS POWER Belgium Also in Control of Socialists, Whose Leader Will Form New Ministry.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PARIS, April 14.—Ex-Premier Briand today decided definitely to abandon the effort to form a cabinet in succession to the Herriot ministry.

Briand announced his determination not to form a ministry for the socialist republican group to which he belongs, basing it on the refusal of the socialists to collaborate and conditions they wished to exact in return for support. He considered the conditions incompatible with his conception of the role of premier.

Briand's refusal of the task President Doumergue had requested him to perform came after a period of uncertainty in which it was at first reported his declination had been decided upon and then that he would try to form a combination without socialists before giving a final answer to the executive.

The socialist action with regard to taking part in a Briand government was definitely rejected by the national council of the party by the unanimous vote. It did not preclude, however, their participation in a ministry formed by the premier acceptable to them, it was stated. They apparently were willing to support a cabinet headed by Briand without entering into it, but found the ex-premier unwilling to accept this support under the conditions they named.

Albert Sarraut, Paul Painleve and Rene Renaut, in the order named, will be consulted by President Doumergue and asked to form a French cabinet.

EARL SANDE, JOCKEY KING TO RIDE AGAIN. (Associated Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, April 14.—Earl Sande, one of the country's premier jockeys, who plotted Zev to victory over Papyrus, has won the hardest race of his career—one with sickness that threatened his life. Sande is himself again physically and announced today that he would ride again beginning on the opening day at Jamaica. He also has been engaged to ride in the Kentucky derby at Churchill Downs.

Sande fell in a race at Saratoga last fall and organic troubles following the injuries threatened to force his permanent retirement.

"I am going to be hard to catch when I ride on a good horse," Sande said. He weighs 109 pounds.

Mrs. Thrush In—Mrs. L. B. Thrush was a visitor in this city today from Looking Glass and spent several hours visiting and attending to business matters.

Inventor of Horseless Carriage, Parent of Automobile, Passes on After Life Given to Development

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) KOKOMO, Ind., April 14.—Elwood Haynes, 68, who in 1884, invented the "horseless carriage" is dead at his home here, a victim of influenza.

On the Fourth of July, 1894, Elwood Haynes, then a young field superintendent for a natural gas company with headquarters at Kokomo, Ind., had a queer bugger, without tongue or shaft, towed out onto a country road. He drove it triumphantly back into Kokomo, as the remarkable speed of eight miles an hour, under power generated by a gasoline engine. That, it is claimed, was the first trip of a gasoline driven vehicle in America.

This horseless carriage, which soon became a familiar sight in the streets of Kokomo, was the result of two years of experiments and now is pronounced in the Smithsonian Institute at Washington, D. C. Mr. Haynes said he was ordered to "ret that contraption off the streets," when he drove his automobile into Chicago.

The automobile was the direct result of the fact that Mr. Haynes had a large territory to cover in his duties as field superintendent for a natural gas company. He desired to make his rounds more rapidly than he could with a horse and started his experiments, being of an inventive turn of mind and having a technical education.

A year after his first successful trip with his horseless carriage, Mr. Haynes formed a company for the manufacture of automobiles and was president of it for many years. He invented numerous improvements in the automobile.

"The Father of the Automobile" was a school teacher at the start of his career. This did not suit him, however, as he always was of an inventive turn of mind and, long before he developed the idea for a horseless carriage, was given to experimenting in chemistry.

One of his ambitions was to find a combination of metals that would resist the oxidizing influences of the atmosphere and at the same time take a good cutting edge. An alloy of cobalt and chromium, which is used now for making dental and surgical instruments, was the result. He also invented and discovered a number of other alloys.