

INFORMATION

(360TH DAY OF 1917)

COMING EVENTS

Oregon Irrigation Congress, Portland, January 2 to 5.

WEATHER CONDITIONS

The northwest disturbance has shifted northward to Vancouver Island; heavy rains have resulted in the Puget sound country and lower Willamette valley, and light to moderately heavy precipitation on the Pacific coast and northeastward to Canada; also in Florida. The pressure continues high over the northern, central, and eastern states. A record of the heavy rain in the lower Willamette valley the river at Portland has again reached the flood stage and will probably continue to rise slowly during the next two or three days. The weather is warmer in Oregon and Washington, Northern California, Nevada, Southeastern Idaho, and from the Mexican border northeastward to the lake region; it is cooler along the Atlantic coast and northeastern United States.

The conditions are favorable for rain in this vicinity tonight and Friday with fresh southeasterly winds.

TODAY'S FORECAST

Portland and vicinity: Tonight and Friday rain; fresh southeasterly winds. Oregon and Washington: Tonight and Friday rain; moderate to heavy rain.

F. FRANCIS DRAKE, Meteorologist.

OBSERVATIONS

Observations taken at 5 a. m., Pacific time.

Table with columns: STATIONS, Temperature (Maximum, Minimum, Current), and Wind. Rows include Baker, Or., Beaverton, Ore., Chicago, Ill., Denver, Colo., Duluth, Minn., Eureka, Cal., Galveston, Texas, Havre, Mont., Jacksonville, Fla., Los Angeles, Cal., Manchester, N. H., Minneapolis, Minn., New Orleans, La., New York City, N. Y., North Head, Wash., North Yakima, Wash., Portland, Ore., Red Bluff, Cal., Roseburg, Or., St. Louis, Mo., Salt Lake, Utah, San Francisco, Cal., Seattle, Wash., Spokane, Wash., Tacoma, Wash., Vancouver, B. C., Walla Walla, Wash., and Washington, D. C.

TOWN TOPICS

Ambulance Drivers Remembered.—The drivers of the 22 ambulances in France comprising S. S. U. No. 68, which is the unit equipped through the subscription of \$38,000 by Portland folk last June, were forwarded a draft for \$310 by Wallis Gilbert, in charge of the fund, as a Christmas gift, this money being taken from the amount remaining in the fund. None of the members of this unit is from Oregon.

Mardi Gras Cancelled.—Southern Pacific officials announce that there will be no Mardi Gras celebration in New Orleans this year, the event being cancelled because of war conditions. This is the first time in many years that New Orleans has failed to hold its big civic celebration the last week in February. Similar celebrations will be held as usual in Mobile and Pensacola, with the exception that no night parade will be given in Mobile.

Engineers to Go South.—Among the reserve officers commissioned as army engineers who have been called to the training camp at Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va., to be opened early in January, are Captain F. E. Ames, assistant district forester, United States forest service, Portland; Captain E. T. Whitney, General Electric company, Portland, and First Lieutenant H. B. Coburn, assistant superintendent Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company, Walla Walla.

Singing Repeated Tonight.—The Christmas carol singing which is to be repeated by request in room A, Central library, at 7:15 o'clock tonight, will include, as an additional attraction, songs of the "Fiddling" and humorous monologues by Messrs. W. N. Morse and A. W. Mills of the G. A. R. The accompanists for the evening are Miss Gladys F. Wheeler and Mrs. John R. Kaseberg. The public is invited.

Dr. Boyd Will Speak.—Dr. John H. Boyd will give his address on the "Unmasking of Germany" at the University of Oregon dinner, held at the University club, Friday evening, 8:30. Reservations may be made by telephoning the secretary of the club or to Mrs. Alice Benson Beach, Main 330. This dinner is arranged by the University of Oregon alumni in cooperation with the members of the State Teachers' association.

Meeting Days Changed.—Due to the holidays coming on Tuesdays, the Hawthorne Women's Free Gymnasium club will hold its regular meetings this week and next week on Saturdays, December 29 and January 5. The classes will still meet at the regular place and on the regular time, at the Washington high school at 8 o'clock. The meetings will continue Tuesdays as usual, beginning on January 8.

Webfoot Camp's Twenty-seventh Anniversary.—On Friday evening, at the W. O. W. temple, Webfoot camp will celebrate the twenty-seventh year of its existence. There will be a special program consisting of music and speaking. L. J. Gordon will make the address of four months in the program, which is open to the members and their friends, who will be dancing.

Why Not Use Your Credit? Do you think J. Pierpont Morgan pays cash for his clothes? Are packages sent to the home of Andrew Carnegie? These men became wealthy by the use of credit. We will make you a suit to order for as low as \$10 down and \$5 a month. Unique Tailoring company, 309 Stark, between Fifth and Sixth. (Adv.)

Metal Workers Calm.—The metal trades in Portland are not agitated by the strike in San Francisco. The wage scales were immediately adjusted in all lines to meet those fixed upon in the shipping industries by federal conciliation. Portland employers have been paying more than some in San Francisco.

Took Whiskey to Indians.—Jack Palmer was fined \$200 and given a suspended sentence of four months in jail by Federal Judge Bean today on a charge of taking whiskey into the Klamath Indian reservation.

Play Will Be Friday Night.—The date of the Christmas play, "The Christ Child," by the children of All Saints church, has been changed from tonight to Friday at 7:30 p. m.

By Order of Creditors, there will be a sale at retail and wholesale of the entire stock of merchandise and fixtures of the Sylvania Mercantile company, 575 W. Main, on Friday, December 28, at 10 o'clock a. m. (Adv.)

Dancing Carnival Tonight.—Cottillon hall. Special holiday dances every eve. Get the joy spirit on that wonderful ballroom floor, 14th and Wash. (Adv.)

Suits Pressed 35 cents.—French dry or steam cleaned \$1. We pay you to do your own tailoring. Unique Tailoring Co., 309 Stark, bet. 5th and 6th. (Adv.)

Steamer Jessie Harkins for Camas, Washougal and way landings daily, except Sunday; leaves Washington street dock at 3 p. m. (Adv.)

Steamer Madras for St. Helens and Rainier, daily at 2:30 p. m., foot of Alder street; Sunday, St. Helens only, 1:30 p. m. (Adv.)

Belding the Jeweler.—Diamonds and other things, 245 1/2 Alder, Main 1922. Adv.

Albert Sturmer Dies.—The Dalles, Or., Dec. 27.—Albert Sturmer, forester of the Madras vicinity, died Tuesday at his home after a few weeks' illness. Sturmer had been a resident for several years in the Madras vicinity, and was well known throughout this section. He is survived by his wife. Funeral services will be held at Madras next Friday.

STRONG SAYS NO ONE REPORTED MRS. FALING AS HOPELESSLY INSANE

Admits Dr. House Once Said Benefactor Showed Tendency Toward Paranoia.

Thomas N. Strong, a long time friend, attorney and manager of the business affairs of the late Mrs. Xarita J. Faling, whose will is being contested, denied this morning on the witness stand under cross examination that a doctor or nurse had ever reported to him that Mrs. Faling was incurably insane. On being questioned as to an alleged report to that effect by Dr. William House, he said that the doctor had told him that Mrs. Faling's actions in reference to some jewelry about which she was anxious showed a tendency towards paranoia. The witness denied that Dr. House had said any further. The jewelry in question was in charge of the cashier of the First National bank for safe-keeping. Mrs. Faling had given Mrs. Jennie Miller, with whom she was living in Irvington, authority to draw checks to the extent of \$1100. She became anxious for fear that Mrs. Miller would take advantage of this to get possession of the jewelry.

E. E. Heckbert, counsel for the contestant, stated this morning that Dr. House would go on the stand later and testify that Mrs. Faling was incurably insane at the time. Counsel on the other side vigorously deny this, and insist that the doctor, since he has seen letters written by Mrs. Faling in the time, has modified his opinion, and will testify accordingly.

ANDREWS IS SUING BANK NOW

Charge Made Ladd & Tilton Knew Company Was Insolvent.

Erma G. Andrews has begun suit in the circuit court against George Hardy, Ladd & Tilton bank, the Skandia Pacific Oil Engine company, the Heath Shipbuilding company and others, to recover \$6000 which he alleges was obtained from him through false representations. He alleges that he put \$5000 into a shipbuilding concern headed by Hardy, with the understanding that his money was fully secured. He later discovered, he alleges, that the concern was insolvent at the time. Hardy and his company were insolvent when it recommended it to him. Andrews has been party to a considerable amount of litigation in the last three months. Recently he was victor in a suit against Frank Gebbie, a former partner in obtaining restitution of \$5000 stock of the Southern Pacific company. He was acquitted last week in Circuit Judge Gantenbein's court on a statutory charge, preferred by his wife. He is plaintiff in a suit against Gebbie for \$50,000 for alleged false imprisonment which is still pending.

ARRESTED ON BOOZE CHARGE

Proprietor of Hotel Accused of Having Liquor in Possession Illegally.

L. E. Ellinger, proprietor of the Mt. Hood hotel, was arrested Wednesday by Deputy Sheriff Christofferson, and charged with having liquor illegally in his possession. George Groves, an expressman, was caught by Christofferson delivering two large boxes and a trunk to the hotel. He admitted after questioning that he had got the bill of lading from Ellinger. More liquor and a large number of empty bottles were found in the hotel storeroom.

At the same time the deputy seized two large phonograph cases billed to Mrs. George Brady, and several boxes of household goods billed to Mrs. T. H. Woods. The boxes were found all to contain liquor. They were shipped from Redwood City, Cal., and bore evidence of having been shipped by the same person.

The contraband liquor came up from San Francisco on the steamer F. A. Kilburn.

GONG WOO ON STAND

Secretary of Hop Sing Tong Testifies He Had No Knowledge of Murders.

Gong Woo, secretary of the Hop Sing Tong, testified this morning, so far as he knew the employment of Dan J. Malarky as special prosecutor for the Bing Kung-Bow Leong tong had nothing to do with the killing of Chin Hong, a Bing Kung leader. Gong Woo is one of the important witnesses called in behalf of Chin Jung Hin, president of the same tong, who is charged with complicity in the murder of Chin Hong.

The witness said further that he had no knowledge of the fact that his tong took any official action in demanding along and cashing him and the rival tongmen, even though he was one of the highest officials of his tong.

Mrs. De Yarmond Left Estate.—The will of Lou De Yarmond, an official of the Wheeler Optical company, who died December 12, was filed for probate this morning. The widow, Victoria De Yarmond, was named executrix. The estate, consisting of personal property listed as worth \$7500 and realty listed at \$1500, was left to Mrs. De Yarmond.

Defamation Is Charged.—E. C. Kruger began suit in the circuit court Wednesday against P. L. Abbott, a dealer in motorcycles, for \$5000 damages for alleged defamation of character. The complaint alleges that Abbott went to the postoffice, where the plaintiff was employed, in company with a deputy sheriff, and pretending to have a warrant for his arrest, told him to seize Abbott, and caused him a thief and a crook in the presence of his fellow employees and other bystanders.

Bridge in Whitman Forest Is Completed

The wooden trestle bridge in the Whitman national forest across the north fork of the John Day river is now completed, according to the report from the local forest service station. The bridge was built by the forest service at a cost of \$445 and is used each season by more than 20,000 sheep on the way to and from the grazing range on the east of the bridge that was destroyed last year by the high water. It is 148 feet long with a main span of 65 feet, and 24 inch stringers of green peeled larch and Douglas fir.

Public Invited to Hearing on Budget

Taxpayers of Multnomah county will be given an opportunity Friday to express their ideas in regard to the county budget of 1918 at a public meeting to be held by the board of county commissioners when the budget comes up for final action. As it now stands the budget calls for a total of \$1,797,998. This includes an item of \$200,000 for roads but does not include the one half mill for county library. The assessed valuation of the county on which the levy is to be based is \$206,599,860.

Keating to Address Drainage Congress

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Dec. 27.—"Financing a Drainage District" will be discussed by J. A. Keating, president of the Lumbermen Trust company, Portland, at the district drainage session of the third annual convention of the Oregon State Drainage association, January 3. Shortage of labor is causing increased interest in ditching machinery and it is planned to have an exhibition of ditching by machinery. Short talks will also be given by officers of the association and land owners. There will be a joint session Friday, January 4, between the drainage association and the irrigation congress.

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Jack Godwin Scores I. W. W. Menace

Speaking before a large crowd at the White Temple Wednesday night, "Three-fingered Jack" Godwin denounced the I. W. W. as a great menace to America, saying it is as dangerous to the safety of the United States as Prussian bayonets. Conditions as they exist in the logging camps are largely responsible for the unrest that leads to membership in the organization. Dirty bunkhouses, filled with steam and smoke, he said, are ideal places to sow seeds of discontent. Remedy the conditions in the camp, he said, and you will have done away with a great deal of the unrest. The men can be reached more quickly through kindness than any other way.



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Another Special Offering of Handkerchiefs at 5c 6 for 25c A Sale of Fine Linen Handkerchiefs At 10c Each A clean-up of slightly soiled or mussed Handkerchiefs—dozens of styles to select from. Come early for first and best choice—purchase a generous supply. Women's fine Linen Handkerchiefs with initialed or white or colored embroidered corner. A saving opportunity worthy of your best attention.

Great Clean-up Sale of Women's Outing Flannel Gowns, Friday 49c About 50 dozen garments in this assortment, including all desirable styles in white and colored outing flannel—well made, neatly trimmed garments in all sizes. No phone orders taken at this sale—none exchanged or sent C. O. D. 20 Dozen Tea Aprons To Close at Half Price A closing-out of all slightly mussed or soiled Tea Aprons at one-half regular selling prices—dozens and dozens of styles to select from.

Boys' and Girls' Shoes (in the Best of Styles and Leathers at Special Price Reductions) Box calf, gunmetal and velour calf leathers in button and lace styles—well sewed shoes with good, heavy soles— Sizes 9 to 13 at \$1.98, \$2.48 and \$2.98 Sizes 1 to 5 1/2 at \$2.25, \$2.98 and \$3.48

Skating Scarfs and Sets Styles in Plain Colors and Clever Combinations On Sale Friday at Half Price Boudoir Caps to Close Friday 50c An after Xmas sale of dainty Boudoir Caps. They come one to the box and are made of fine crepe de chine or satin with lace, ribbon and flower trimmings.

For Friday Only COTTON BATTS At 98c They come full three pounds in weight and are 72 by 84 inches—and are made in one piece.—not more than two to any one customer.

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