

Easter Sunday is one week away. How Portland will observe the day, where it will worship and in what numbers will be told in an illustrated article in the Sunday Journal Magazine next Sunday.

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Portland and Vicinity—Sunday, fair; westerly winds.
Oregon and Washington—Sunday, fair; fresh westerly winds.

OPERATIVES AND MINERS ARE ACCUSED

125 Men Are Indicted in Federal Court at Indianapolis on Charge of Violating Lever Act.

President Lewis of Mine Workers, Brewster of Operators' Committee and Others Are Held.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 27.—(U. P.)—John L. Lewis, international president of the United Mine Workers, Thomas T. Brewster, St. Louis, chairman of the coal operators' wage committee, and 123 other prominent operators and union officials in the central competitive field, were indicted by a special grand jury here for violation of the Lever act in the recent nationwide bituminous coal strike, according to official announcement here tonight.

Women Will Take Stump By Thousands

Members of Fair Sex Getting in Readiness to Wage Campaign for Next President.

Chicago, March 27.—(U. P.)—One hundred thousand women from all walks of life will take the stump in support of presidential candidates at the coming election, women leaders of political parties and candidates' campaigns declared here today.

In addition, 300,000 women workers will be employed to win to party leaders the suffrage vote, which is being looked upon by politicians as the deciding factor in putting the successful candidate over, it was said.

The value of women speakers has already been recognized by candidates who are now active.

Both in the camps of Major General Leonard Wood and Governor Frank O. Lowden of Illinois women sections were formed.

At Republican national committee headquarters here today plans were under way for the formation of a women's national organization, composed of organizations from each state.

Each state will have organizations in every congressional district and also by counties. Women, it was said, will be organized down to precinct captains throughout the entire country.

The number of women speakers the Republicans will have was estimated at 50,000 by Mrs. G. W. Betts, executive secretary of the women's division of the Republican national committee.

Democrats, it was said, are working actively to have as many as 100,000 and expect to have as equally a formidable organization of women speakers and workers.

MEISCHAN IS DEAD AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Widely Known Hotel Man and Former State Treasurer, Had Celebrated 80th Year March 24

Popular Pioneer Had Been Closely Identified With Oregon's Affairs for Some Sixty Years.

Phil Metschan Sr., for 60 years intimately identified with Oregon's business and political history, died late Saturday afternoon in his Imperial hotel apartment following an illness that had kept the veteran confined for nearly two years. Hardening of the arteries was the immediate cause of death.

Living just three days after the commemoration of his eightieth birthday, Metschan was surrounded by members of his immediate family when death came to end the months of suffering he had endured recently.

Wednesday his nine sons and daughters and 10 of his 17 grandchildren gathered in Portland at his invitation to mark his birthday anniversary with a family assembly. Metschan, then too ill to attend the family dinner that was held in his honor, had expressed a wish that he might remain alive for the event.

The veteran's death is mourned by a great circle of friends among the thousands in Oregon and elsewhere who had known him during the nearly 60 years of his activity in Oregon.

The family includes Frank, Phil Jr., O. W. H. A., Dr. E. L. Metschan and Mrs. J. E. Planders, all of Portland; Mrs. Frank Meredith and Mrs. L. F. Griffith of Salem, and Mrs. Anna Cattanchio of Canyon City, Or.; in addition to one sister, Miss Anna Metschan, of Tacoma, Wash. There are 17 grandchildren, of whom 10 were gathered in Portland for the birthday party Wednesday.

Metschan was state treasurer of Oregon for eight years, from 1880 to 1889. He had previously held several county offices, including that of county judge in Grant county. He was a native of Germany, born at Hesse-Cassel, March 24, 1840, and on January 1, 1855, came to America to work on a farm.

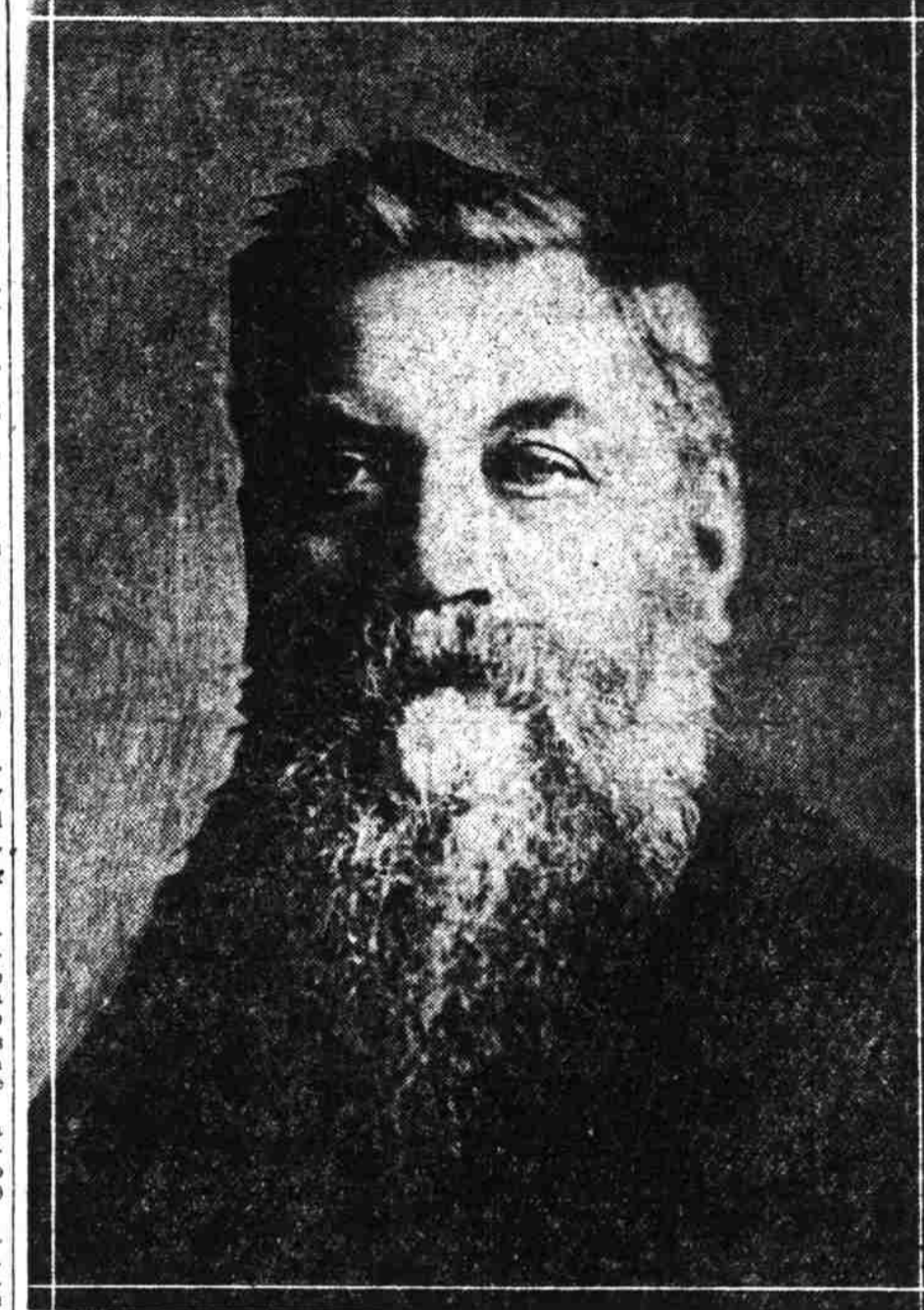
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Lincoln Campaign Recalled
Young Metschan's first work in the United States was in the butcher shops of his uncles at Cincinnati. In 1860 he received his initiation into American politics during the presidential campaign of Abraham Lincoln, which was at fever heat while the future Oregon citizen was in California.

In 1861 Metschan came west to California. There he worked as a farm hand until he left California for British Columbia in 1861.

LONG CAREER IS CLOSED

PHIL METSCHAN SR., whose passing Saturday afternoon followed celebration of eightieth birthday anniversary three days before. Death of this pioneer hotelman, who attained places of influence after hard struggles of youth, removes one of leading figures in Oregon's business and political circles.



VENDETTA IN FULL SWING IN IRELAND

Reign of Terror Has Been Proclaimed by Extremists of Two Parties.

Dublin, March 27.—(U. P.)—An unidentified, well-dressed man was found dead last night from bullet wounds in Newcastle, a suburb, it was learned tonight.

Firing in various sections of the suburbs which led to the report that serious fighting was going on, was discontinued.

Dublin, March 27.—(U. P.)—Ireland tonight was believed to be the scene of a deadly vendetta.

Sinn Fein leaders said a reign of terror had been declared by extremists of their own ranks on one hand and sympathizers of the government, police and military authorities on the other.

The murder of James McCarthy, Sinn Fein leader at Thurles, was seen as the latest expression of the vendetta. McCarthy was shot and killed at 10:30 a. m. today by a band of armed men who broke into his bedroom. Sinn Fein said he was murdered in cold blood without opportunity to defend himself.

Unusual precautions had been taken to protect the lives of all government officials. The government feared early efforts at retaliation by the Irish nationalists that radicals who have asserted openly that the deaths of Sinn Fein members will not go unavenged.

The inside history of events leading up to the start of the "vendetta" was given here tonight. Last December, it was said, a small body of extreme nationalists, comprising many of the hot-headed younger Irish leaders, banded together to form an organization to assassinate or otherwise terrorize all British officials and police.

The members took a solemn vow to drive the British out of Ireland, according to the story. They signed a pledge agreeing to lay down their lives for the cause if necessary.

MURDER IS ATTEMPTED
The first move, it was said, was the murder of James McCarthy.

Cattlemen at Meet In La Grande Favor State Millage Tax

La Grande, March 27.—At the close of the first annual meeting of the Eastern Oregon Cattle Feeders' association, the convention went on record favoring the university, college and normal millage tax, to be voted on in May. Frank McKennon, large property holder in the vicinity of Imbler, made the motion, which received an enthusiastic second from Tom Johnson, also a large taxpayer.

Another resolution adopted expressed the appreciation of the cattle feeders for the work accomplished in cattle feeding at the Eastern Oregon Experiment station, under the direction of Prof. E. L. Potter of Corvallis and the supervision of Robert Withycombe, superintendent of the experiment station.

PURITY SQUAD IS ABOLISHED BY NEW CHIEF

Police Officers Are to Be Held Accountable for All Violations on Their Beats, Says Jenkins.

Change to Be Effective April 1; Formation of Bureau to Care for Auto Thefts Is Under Way.

Death knell to Portland's police purity squad, christened by former Chief of Police N. F. Johnson as the "war emergency" squad, was sounded Saturday night by Chief of Police L. V. Jenkins. He announced that hereafter police officers will be held accountable for all law violations on their beats during the hours which they are on duty.

Chief Jenkins, who has advanced in the ranks from a patrolman, believes that a large morals squad is more of a hindrance than an asset to a successful police department. Abolishment of the morals squad on April 1 and assignment of the plain clothes officers to other duty is announced in a new order.

Formation of an automobile theft bureau, which will hereafter be operated apart from the inspectors' bureau, is also announced. Lieutenant Harvey Thatcher, who has been in charge of the purity squad, will take charge of the auto theft bureau. He will be assisted by Motorcycle Sergeant Goldstone, Sergeant Clement, five motorcycle riders and 34 patrolmen.

"This system is to be kept of all automobiles stolen here and elsewhere," Jenkins says, in outlining duties of the auto theft bureau. "Twelve officers will be detailed to work the downtown districts and make daily inspections of all garages looking for stolen machines. In addition, five motorcycle officers will be detailed to ride all roads leading in and out of the city. When a car is stolen all police captains and authorities of Multnomah and surrounding counties will be notified and given full description."

"This is done because of the approach of spring. With good weather, auto thieves will operate everywhere. The city will have charge of the Chinatown squad and look after all gambling and oppression of vice in all its forms throughout the city. He will also have charge of enforcement of the prohibition law."

In addition to Sergeant Epp's work, each captain on relief will detail two or three wide-awake officers to work on "infamous" moral and other similar law infractions.

"Beginning April 1, the St. John's precinct will be enlarged to include all territory west of Albina avenue and north of Killingsworth avenue."

MILK PERSONNEL CHANGED BY MAYOR

William Cornfoot and John Richardson to Act in Place of Daly and Whitcomb.

Change in the personnel of the commission selected by Mayor Baker to investigate the entire controversy existing between producers and distributors of milk in Portland, was announced Saturday night by the mayor with the appointment of William Cornfoot and John Richardson, accountant, in place of Federal Price Commissioner Will H. Daly and W. D. Whitcomb, accountant.

Dr. E. H. Pence, pastor of the Westminster church, along with A. M. Work, manager of the Portland Damacous Milk company, and Henry Reed, county assessor, will act in conjunction with Cornfoot and Richardson.

In announcing the change Mayor Baker asserted that he believed it more advisable following careful consideration not to include Daly on the commission, owing to his co-operation with the government. Baker said Daly's position might prejudice the remaining members of the commission in that Daly's word as federal price commissioner would be final in the matter. Richardson was selected in Whitcomb's place owing to the fact that the latter has declared himself a candidate for state senator from Multnomah county. Mayor Baker felt that Whitcomb might be embarrassed to some degree in acting on the commission.

Immediate investigation of the entire situation which involves the distributors and dairymen's league is headed by Cornfoot in his letter notifying each member of his appointment. The commission will select its own chairman. Reed will represent the dairymen's league, having served as chairman of the milk investigating committee in 1918. Work will represent the distributors.

Various civic organizations, the common council and the American league are pledged absolute obedience of the findings of the commission. Present prices of milk will remain during the investigation, it is understood.

WAGERS' SUCCESSOR TALKS BUNCOMBE

Postmastership Will Be Settled by Civil Service, Belief in Washington.

Washington, March 27.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—Speculation concerning the identity of the next Portland postmaster is regarded in well informed circles here as the highest form of buncombe. The civil service commission alone knows who are applicants and no one here is manifesting any concern about it. In due time reports will be made on the qualifications and business training of the applicants, and they will be certified for appointment in order of their standing.

Any person who supposes that wires are being pulled and old time methods of "infamous" politics are being resorted to, are being misled. It is merely ignorant of the commission. One reason for this is that politicians who might interest themselves fear to prejudice themselves by making personal appeals.

Politicians find a chilly atmosphere around the civil service commission when they go there, and they rarely go. It might be supposed that after applicants pass the portals of the commission the politicians would find a better field in the office of the postmaster general, but since the big offices were placed under civil service, the record shows almost uniform acceptance of the first eligible on the list.

In a few cases favoritism has been charged, but investigation generally discloses that complaints mostly come from disgruntled applicants and their friends, and are without substantial foundation. The secretary and the chief examiner of the commission are Republicans and

Hanging Not Deterrent to Criminal Acts

Prison Figures Fail to Show Fear of Gallows Lowers Record of Homicides.

Salem, March 27.—Capital punishment does not discourage crime. At least the records on file at the state penitentiary here tend to disprove the argument that fear of the gallows will reduce Oregon's record of homicides.

For the five year period preceding November, 1914—during which time capital punishment was in effect in Oregon—a total of 69 men and women were sentenced to the state prison for murder and manslaughter as against a total of 26 for the five year period following the abolishment of capital punishment.

Whatever the reason, homicides have decreased 40 per cent since capital punishment was abolished by vote of the people of the state in November, 1914, in spite of the fact that the population of the state has materially increased since that time.

Of the 59 prisoners received at the prison under sentence for manslaughter in the five years preceding November, 1914, 41 were sentenced to life imprisonment and 18 were sentenced to death.

Of the 36 prisoners received under life sentence for the five years immediately following the abolishment of capital punishment the records show that eight were received in 1915, four in 1916, 11 in 1917 (five of whom were Chinese), four in 1918 and nine in 1919.

Since the penitentiary was established in Portland in 1854, 12 years prior to its removal to Salem, 237 prisoners have been received under life imprisonment for second degree murder; 26 under sentence of death, 23 of whom were hanged and 13 committed to life imprisonment; 12 under a sentence for robbery and rape. Of this number 10 escaped, 26 died, 12 were sent to the insane asylum. One hundred and fifty-eight have been pardoned, three were returned to a sheriff by order of court, one committed suicide, of one there is no record and 51 are still in prison.

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DRUG ADDICT MAY BE MISSING BOY

Harry Gordon May Be Harry Gidon, Long Lost Son of New York Millionaire.

San Francisco, March 27.—(I. N. S.)—Police here today held a youth of 18 years, who gave the name of Harry Gordon, as Harry Gidon, son of a New York millionaire who disappeared more than a year ago. It is understood here that a reward of \$500 for information leading to the whereabouts of Gidon has been posted.

Circulars sent out by New York police giving a photograph of Gidon tally exactly with the youth held here, though in court today, where he was charged with vagrancy, the boy entered an emphatic denial that he was Gidon.

The San Francisco bureau of identification believes that Gordon is really Gidon, but because he is believed to be an addict to drugs, does not want it known he has been found—does not want to return to his family and is trying to shield his true identity.

The boy was given a sentence of 60 days in jail to enable police to communicate with New York and establish his identity, if their theory proves correct. He also will be given treatment in the hope he can be cured of the drug habit.

Sixteen Inches of Snow at Meacham

Pendleton, March 27.—Sixteen inches of snow fell last night and today at Meacham, in the Blue mountains, 25 miles from here. Eight inches covers Duncan, and there are three inches at Weston.

Lines Built to Boom Suburban Tracts Are Costly to Car Riders

By Ward A. Irvine
Portlanders interested in the street railway problem speak feelingly of the revenue exacted from car riders to make up losses sustained by the Portland Railway, Light & Power company in operating cars over lines constructed by boom realty companies to additions improved by them for sale as city lots. The realty companies, now defunct, constructed the tracts and entered into agreements with the railway company to operate lines over the unowned rails, the realty companies to guarantee a minimum revenue. No payments have been received by the utility under the agreements because of default of the land companies and such lines represent a loss of approximately \$15,000 a year to the railway corporation. The deficit is paid by the car riders of the city.

The lines were constructed by companies in which wealthy Portlanders were stockholders, in an effort to create land values and by speculation to realize heavy profits by sale of the land as city lots at boom prices. The car lines to make the lots accessible and were contributing factors in boosting the prices of the land. But there has been no return to the railway company, say critics, and continued operation of the lines result in a considerable loss to the corporation which expense, like bridge rentals, car licenses, franchise taxes and free rides and cost of paving, is passed on to the car rider to pay.

The Errol Heights line is one such instance. The Errol Heights Realty company some years ago was formed to boom property in Errol Heights. Car tracks were laid by the organization and

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MUELLER IS LEADER OF NEW CABINET

Six of Old Bauer Ministry, Including Bauer Himself, Are Among Ebert's Latest Choice.

Bauer Guides Traffic Department, Gessler Is Defense Minister and H. Cuno Heads Finance.

Berlin, March 27.—(U. P.)—The new German cabinet, formed by Hermann Mueller, was completed tonight. Mueller held the portfolios of both chancellor and minister of foreign affairs.

The labor unions had not yet consented to the new ministry, but were expected to approve the appointments. The new Prussian cabinet was also completed.

Besides Mueller, the new cabinet included: Traffic—Gustav Bauer. Defense—Dr. Gessler. Finance—H. Cuno. Treasury—Dr. Wirth. Food—Dr. Hermes.

The following members of the Bauer cabinet, who resigned Friday, were retained in the new ministry: Post Johann Gieseler. Education—Dr. Schmidt. Labor—Erich Schlotke. Interior—Herk Koch. Without portfolio—Dr. Edouard David.

POLISH REPORT CAUSES MUCH CONCERN IN LONDON

By Ed L. Keen London, March 27.—(U. P.)—Reports that the Polish government had removed from Warsaw to Bromberg, Polish Posen, caused considerable uneasiness in official circles here tonight.

While it was pointed out that the dispatch from Berlin, telling of the move, had not been confirmed from any other source and was denied by the Polish legation here, officials feared the Poles may have suffered reverses in the offensive of the Russian soviet armies, which started this week.

The Russians claimed capture of Vilna, an important railway center northeast of Warsaw, and said their armies were

Mississippi Jams With Ice; Hundreds Are Made Homeless

St. Paul, Minn., March 27.—(U. P.)—Floods resulting from ice jams have made hundreds of families in Minnesota, Wisconsin and North Dakota homeless tonight.

Continued thaws today brought the Mississippi river and its tributaries in this vicinity to the high water mark of the last winter years.

Two hundred families living in the flats here were forced to flee when the Mississippi river overflowed.

The Wisconsin and Chippewa rivers went on a rampage and swept away bridges and flooded lowlands in scores of towns along the routes.

Four Labor Leaders in New York Released After Socialist Riot

Philadelphia, March 27.—(U. P.)—Four labor leaders arrested last night when the police broke up a Socialist meeting, three of whom were charged with inciting to riot and the other with making seditious utterances, were discharged today in magistrate's court on request of Assistant District Attorney Alessandrini. Although the men had "skated close to the line," he said, they were not guilty.

The meeting was called to protest against the suspension of five Socialist members of the New York legislature. Among the men arrested was Charles Solomon, one of the suspended Socialists.

Historical Tree Is Named Memorial For "Kit" Carson

Washington, March 27.—(I. N. S.)—A tree as a memorial to "KIT" Carson now nominated today for a place in the "hall of fame" which is being arranged by the American forestry association. The nomination was made by F. M. Fletcher of Carson City, Nevada. On this tree Carson carved his name and the date, 1844, while on a trip with Colonel Van Hook and during which Lake Tahoe was discovered.

Seventeen Murdered By Mexican Outlaw

Montezuma, Mexico, March 27.—(I. N. S.)—Seventeen residents of the little settlement of Nuevo Minas, near the Chihuahua state line, were massacred late Thursday night in a raid on the village by an outlaw band under Alonzo Vazquez of the Viceroyalty according to a dispatch received here today.

Pedestrian Owes Duty Of Caution When Walking In Traffic Congestion

Out of eight persons killed in automobile accidents in Portland during the months of February and March, six were pedestrians. Approximately the same ratio applies to persons injured. The police bureau maintains that in 80 per cent of the accidents in which they are involved the blame lies with pedestrians.

The automobile driver is not solely responsible for accidents. Pedestrians perform queer antics on local streets, and to avoid them drivers must, in instances, be unusually alert.

Last week a pedestrian alighted from a streetcar at Broadway and Larrabee streets. Opposite was a bridge transfer car. He wanted to catch it. In his haste he forgot that there might be traffic on the street. He dashed ahead blindly and landed on the side of the right hand fender of a machine. Had

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