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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Wednesday fair; warmer except near the coast; moderate winds, mostly northerly.

SIXTY-NINTH YEAR — SALEM, OREGON, WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 30, 1919 — PRICE FIVE CENTS

GENERAL MANAGER IS APPOINTED FOR NEW PAPER MILL IN CITY

Joseph Kaster Comes from Floriston, Calif., as Superintendent of Great Enterprise Launched by Leadbetter and Spaulding Interests---Promoters and Officials Scan Location---Work to Begin on Sulphide Mill as Soon as Vacation of Trade Street Is Completed by City Council.

The general manager and superintendent of Salem's proposed new paper mill has been appointed, and he has assumed his duties. He is Joseph Kaster who comes from Floriston, Calif.

Mr. Kaster was in Salem looking over the ground yesterday, and he will go immediately to the east, to investigate the latest and most up to date methods and machinery used in paper making. He will be absent for 30 days.

But there will be no delay in commencing the work of construction on this account in case the vacation of the streets by the city shall have been consummated during his absence.

First will be the sulphide mill, to be located at the foot of Trade street—and the work can go ahead on this building immediately after the vacation shall have been completed.

Mr. Kaster was formerly superintendent for F. W. Leadbetter, leader in the Salem enterprise, at his paper mill at Camas, Wash., and for the last few years superintendent of the Floriston Pulp & Paper company of the Crown-Willamette combination, at Floriston, Calif.

Major Leadbetter arrived in Salem yesterday morning, coming with Mr. Kaster and the representatives of the manufacturers of paper mill machinery who are figuring upon the construction of the equipment for the proposed new mill.

Major Leadbetter will return to San Francisco, but he will soon be back in Salem, and he expects to spend a great deal of time here, as this is his pet project—the putting up of the finest and most up to date paper mill in the world.

The great paper machine of the new mill will be 200 feet long. It will be the only paper machine on this coast equipped throughout with ball bearings; and the second one of its kind ever built.

It is to be presumed that there will be no more than the necessary delay in granting and perfecting in legal form the vacation of the streets for the completion of this will witness the immediate commencement of the work of construction on the new paper mill, to be the finest in all its appointments ever built.

And it is likely to end in becoming one of the largest paper mills in the world.

The great question before paper manufacturers is raw materials.

Charles K. Spaulding, who is one of the chief spirits behind the proposed new enterprise, is confident that, within reach of Salem, can be had the best and most extensive raw material supplies in the whole United States.

With the vast markets in the great countries just across the Pacific opening up, it is a safe prediction that there will never be an overproduction at Salem.

SEVEN TRANSPORTS SAIL

WASHINGTON, April 29.—Units comprising more than 20,000 officers and men were announced by the war department today as on board seven transports which have sailed from France.

WHOLE ESTATE GOES TO WIDOW

Will of Late Governor Withycombe Is Admitted to Probate

All of the property of the late Governor James Withycombe is bequeathed to the widow, Mrs. Isabel Withycombe, and she is named executrix without bonds by the terms of the will which was admitted to probate yesterday. The estimated value of the property without appraisement is $18,000.

The will was made in Washington county November 10, 1891 and by it Mrs. Withycombe receives everything. In the event of her marriage or death, the property goes to the children share and share alike.

The heirs are three sons, Harry, who lives in Havre, Mont., Robert, of Union, Oregon, and Earl, of Salem and one daughter, Miss Mabel Withycombe of Salem.

Hunting Rattlers Is New Sport for Western Farmers

EUGENE, Or., April 29.—Though the Willamette valley has not been noted as a rattlesnake district, the reptiles are now said to be increasing in number. Arch Wassom and Elmer Brown, Harrisburg farmers, killed 53 rattlesnakes Sunday night within 17 miles of Eugene, on the Amos Wilkins ranch, it was learned today. Wasson brought the rattles clipped from the snakes he killed to Eugene. They ranged from three rattles to 15, denoting that the snakes were from thre eto 15 years of age.

"KiKlling the snakes is more fun than fishing and far more exciting," said Wasson today. "fAter one has finished an hour's sport he has a feeling of a peculiar excitement that only snake hunting can give."

Wasson says that the hot weather brought the reptiles out in large numbers. He and Brown killed the 53 snakes in a little over an hour, using sticks for weapons. Both men wore heavy boots and two pairs of woolen socks as precautionary measures on their trips.

BUSINESS MEN ACCLAIM BIG CELEBRATION

Fourth of July Festivities Meet Emphatic Approval; $455 Raised

BAUMGARTNER CHOSEN

Whole Meeting at Commercial Club Volunteers to Help Secure Funds

"Let us not be content with $3000 or any fixed amount, let us raise $6000 if necessary to make this Fourth of July a real one. Everybody wants it, let's go after it", said Jaseph Baumgartner at a meeting in the Commercial club rooms last night to determine the extent to which the business men of Salem want to celebrate.

No sooner had Mr. Baumgartner spoken than several voices exclaimed "All right, Joe, you're chairman of the finance committee," and R. O. Snelling, chairman of the civics department of theclub, who presided, took the tip and duly appointed Mr. Baumgartner. He then called for volunteers to help on the committee and practically the whole meeting arose.

Mr. Baumgartner got organized for business at once and in five minutes $455 was subscribed to the fund.

His remarks practically summed up the many speeches that were made as all about seemed anxious, even impatient, to get the thing going, all were emphatic in asserting that it was not a matter ofa celebra-

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CONFIDENCE VOTE GIVEN FOR CABINET

Socialists Cast Minority Ballot in Italian Chamber of Deputies--Delegation Made Stronger.

ORLANDO ADMITS HE SAW U. S. MEMORANDUM

Fiume Question Creates Tense Situation at Paris Conference

ROME, April 29.—(By The Associated Press)—The chamber of deputies tonight voted confidence in the cabinet by a count of 382 to 40, the latter votes being cast by socialists.

SOCIALISTS STAND PAT

ROME, April 29.—(By The Associated Press)—Deputy Turati, the official leader of the socialist party, declared that the socialists would not only be defenders of the sacred right of self-determination in the case of Fiume, but also of the equally sacred right of revolutionary Russia.

MORE AUTHORITY

ROME, April 29.—"Now the Italian delegation can return to Paris with increased authority to continue peace negotiations," is the defiant note in press comment of the parliamentary vote of confidence given the cabinet tonight.

MEMORANDUM MENTIONED

ROME, April 29.—(By The Associated Press)—Premier Orlando, in his address in the chamber of deputies today, admitted that he received on April 14 the American memorandum dealing with the Adriatic question and added that until that time he had always been assured that the American delegation had not reached any definite conclusion regarding Italy.

Premier Orlando said that Italy believed that her claims were founded on such high reasons of justice and right that any international treaty agreement should be set aside so that they might be accepted.

SITUATION MADE CLEAR

PARIS, April 29.—(By The Associated Press)—The memorandum delivered to Premier Orlando on April 14 dealing with the Adriatic situation contained the salient points of the text of the statement issued by President Wilson on April 23.

In the memorandum the president said he felt bound to square every conclusion reached by him as accurately as possible, with his fourteen points and principles laid down in subsequent addresses which were formerly adopted without a single reservation by the powers associated against Germany as abasis for peace with Germany and that he did not feel at liberty to suggest a new basis for peace with Germany and another peace with Austria.

After pointing out the complete dissolution of the Austro-Hungarian empire and had given a new aspect to the settlements which must be affected regarding the eastern boundaries for Italy, the president said he was quite willing that Italy be accorded along the whole of her northern boundary in contact with Austrian territory all that was accorded by the pact of London, but that it was clear that the London pact no longer was applicable to asettlement of Italy's eastern boundaries.

After conceding that the greater part of Istria and the ports of Trieste and Pola should be ceded to Italy, the president said Fiume was not Italian, but, by all circumstances of its development, was an international port, serving the countries east and north of the Gulf of Fiume, and could not be subordinated to any one sovereignity.

The memorandum said there was common agreement that the Island of Lissa should be ceded to Italy with port Velpna, and the fortifications built by the Austrians on the islands of the eastern coast of the Adriatic should be dismantled.

Regarding the interests of the Italian population in the territory which is to be incorporated in Jugo-Slavia the memorandum said they by the league of nations.

Italy Only Impediment

With everything virtually in readiness for the handing over of the peace treaty to the Germans at Versailles, the Italian situation looms large as an impediment in the way of unanimous agreement on the part of the entente and associated governments.

So tense is the situation that Premier Orlando at a conference with Thomas Nelson Page, the American ambassador to Italy, left Mr. Page with the understanding that the Premier did not intend to return to Paris for the signing of the peace treaty.

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Wife of Governor Injured by Bomb Found in Parcel

ATLANTA, GaG., April 29.—Explosion of an infernal machine sent through the mails to the home of former United States Senator Thomas Hardwick of Georgia today resulted in the serious injury of Mrs. Maud P. Hardwick, wife of the ex-senator, and the maiming of her negro maid.

Former Senator Hardwick was not at his home when the infernal machine was delivered and Mrs. Hardwick ordered her maid to open it. When the wrappings were removed, the machine exploded with terrific force. The maids hands were blown off. Mrs. Hardwick was burned about the face and body and her upper lip was cut by a flying fragment. Furniture in the room was demolished.

Police believed tonight the machine was sent by the same person or persons who several days ago sent a similar machine to Mayor Ole Hanson of Seattle. Both were sent in packages with wrappers bearing the return address of "Gimbel Brothers, 32nd and Broadway, New York," and both bore the inscription, "sample."

WIRE CONTROL BY GOVERNMENT TO END FRIDAY

Burleson Issues Order Providing for Return of Properties to Owners

WILSON APPROVES ACT

Postmaster General Reiterates Warning Regarding Needed Legislation

WASHINGTON, April 29.—Control and operation of all American cable systems, taken over by the government last November, will revert to their priate owners at midnight Friday.

Postmaster General Burleson today issued an order providing for the return of the properties in accordance with his statement of yesterday announcing that he had made such a recommendation to the president.

Approval by the president of Postmaster General Burleson's recommendations that the telegraph and telephone lines be returned was announced today at the White House. Arguments on the pending legal controversy before the supreme court to restrain the postmaster general from increasing intrastate telephone and telegraph rates will be heard next Monday.

The postmaster general in making public the formal order regarding the cables issued a statement reiterating his announcement of yesterday that the telephone and telegraph lines, taken over last July, would be returned as soon as legislation could be obtained from congress safeguarding the interests of the owners.

Mr. Burleson said his views as to the wisdom of government ownership of the land communication lines were not changed, but as it was apparent that these views were not shared by the new congress, the only step left was to return the systems

Anti-Yankee Sentiment Holds Sway in Fiume

COPENHAGEN, April 29.—(By The Associated Press)—Where have been noisy anti-American demonstrations in Fiume. American officers were hooted in the streets, according to a report received by way of Germany and British and French troops maintained order with difficulty.

REAL ESTATE MOVES AT LIVELIER RATE IN SALEM AND ENVIRONS

More Business in Last Three Months, Dealers Say Than for Same Number of Years Previously---Big Business in Abstracts Is Done by Attornevs and Abstracters---Business Is on Substantial Basis, Buyers Are Careful and Caution Is Sounded Against Allowing Boom Spirit to Rule.

More real estate business has been done in Salem in the past two or three months than was done in the same number of years previous and there is every indication of an even brighter outlook according to the general opinion of real estate dealers of the city. Many of them were interviewed yesterday and without exception they are most optimistic as to prospects for a steady substantial business growth.

Attorneys and abstracters are experiencing an unprecedented run in abstracts.

Dealers were unanimous in their assertions that the number of transfers recently as compared with those of the past two or three years has been nothing short of remarkable and yet, they say, there is, in the situation, nothing of the nature of a boom, that the buyers are careful, know what they want and have a good idea of values.

The prospects for the business and for this section of the state as a whole, indicate the brightest era in its history, say the real estate men, and they base their opinions on careful investigation and a study of crop indications and other evidences of prosperity.

It was frequently said that the only danger in the present good times is in a tendency to inflate values to an unreasonable figure. One dealer maintains that if owners insist upon putting up their prices beyond a reasonable valuation the business will be killed and that it will be a blow from which it will be very difficult to recover. He says that if sellers will be content with a fair margin on their property, they will be benefitted far more in the long run than if they "kill the goose that lays the golden egg."

The buyers generally, it seems, are people who make careful investigation, and who, when they find the properties that suit their needs are willing to pay and pay cash but they are not willing to purchase at boom figures.

Much of the business is in Salem property but there are great numbers of small tracts changing hands and several large farms have been sold recentlp. The rental business is good and it is impossible to find a modern house for rent in Salem. Some dealers are taking old houses and remodelling them to meet the demand for more modern dwellings.

The dealers as a whole are working systematically to keep rational valuations and avoid a recurrence of the old boom days that caused the inevitable reaction from which this section is just now recovering.

PORTLAND LEADS ON WEST COAST

Alameda Runs Close Second in Victory Loan Race; National Drive Slow

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—Portland, Oregon, and Alamed, California, were running close together today for first honors in the victory liberty loan campaign in the twelfth federal reserve district, with Portland having subscribed more than 50 and Alameda 49 per cent of their quotas, liberty loan headquarters here announced. Berkeley was third with 41 per cent. San Francisco and Los Angeles were tiled with eight per cent.

San Jose had subscribed 29, Fresno 24, Oakland 23 and Sacramento 5 per cent.

Loan Is Lagging.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—Subscriptions to the victory liberty loan on the basis of official reports to the treasury tonight approached the billion dollar mark. Contributions officially tabulated showed total sales to be $984,884,150.

That the victory loan is lagging to some extent appeared to be indicated by comparison with progress of the fourth liberty loan drive in which subscriptions amounted to $1,323,716,000, when the campaign reached the same stage.

Most of State Over.

PORTLAND, Or., April 29.—With the state of Oregon, outside of Portland already "over the top" in its victory loan campaign, Portland today moved appreciably nearer its goal of $14,786,325 by bringing the total subscriptions to the fifth loan to $9,050,400, a gain of $765,800 for the day.

CHILDREN ARE AUTO VICTIMS

Zelpha White and James Johnson Run Over in Different Parts of City

Zelpha White, little daughter of Lou White, a barber living in the vicinity of State and Nineteenth streets, was run over yesterday and seriously injured by a taxi which operates between Salem and the state institutions and country points. It is reported that a leg was broken.

Run over by the automobile of a Mr. Mathis who lives east of Salem, James Johnson, a newsboy was painfully bruised but not seriously injured about 5:30 p. m. yesterday. The accident occurred on State street near High and the boy was immediately taken to the office of Dr. J. Ray Pemberton in the Masonic temple building.

The boy had started across the street and darting from behind one passing machine ran in front of the car driven by Mr. Mathis. Examination of his injuries showed no bones broken but a number of abrasions and bruises about the legs. The boy is the son of James Johnson who works on a barge in the Columbia river.

After being bandaged he was taken to his home by Mr. Mathis.

Alleged Polk County Forger Taken at Madras

DALLAS, Or., April 29.—(Special to The Statesman)—Sheriff John W. Orr received word last night from the sheriff of Jefferson county stating that a man by the name of Beard who has been sought for during the past several months by the local officials on a warrant issued charging forgery has been located near Madras and would be held pending the arrival of a Polk county officer. Beard is alleged to have passed a worthless check on the Bank of Falls City, using a check on one of the Inpendence banks for the purpose. Deputy Sheriff T. B. Hoker left on an early train this morning for Madras to bring the prisoner back to this county for trial.

ASSAULT MADE ON HIGH PRICES BY BARNES BRINGS PRONOUNCED SLUMP IN PROVISIONS MARKET

CHICAGO, April 29.—Julius H. Barnes, president of the corporation of the food administration, made an assault on high prices tday which was promptly reflected n the bard f trade in a maximum decline f 11½ cents in the price f crn.

Of possibly more interest to the housewife was the slump in the provisions market. Pork dropped an extreme $1.80 per barrel, while short rib sides, known to the breakfast table as bacon, declined a maximum of $1 per hundredweight as compared with the close yesterday.

Mr. Barnes' assault was in an announcement to the trade. Its purpet was plain, to-wit: That the speculative tendency in white flour must stop.

As an earnest of his intention the president of the grain corporation announced that the corporation would cease buying flour for export, (except first class and victory mixed flours) and that also it would re-sell at such important centers as New York, Baltimore and Philadelphia, flour previously bought for export. He named the price as "$1.50 per barrel."

"The purpose of this," said the announcement, "is to stop the speculative fever in flour before it becomes necesary to take off all import restrictions on foreign wheat and flour, for there is plenty of American wheat and flour if this speculative tendency is checked."

Mr. Barnes' threat, the trade released instantly, had back of it the fact that Canadian granaries and elevators are fairly bursting with wheat at the doors of the United States, not to mention the vast stores in Australia and Argentina.

Barnes' Cash Store

E. T. BARNES, PROPRIETOR

BUY AT HOME

The Solidarity and Prosperity of a town is reflected in the complexion of its Business Houses. No town can have a healthy complexion when the channels of sustenance are leaking. Every out-of-town purchase is a puncture in the artery that nourishes home institutions and the city itself.

Barnes' Cash Store grew up in Salem. The policies adopted in the beginning are still in force. Giving the best merchandise at a fair price is only one of the means that has made this store a powerful factor in the mercantile field.

Barnes' Cash Store is an out-and-out Salem institution, headquarters and all. We have always taken part and pride in Salem's civic advancement and welcome every worthy enterprise.

Today, we merely ask you to come, see, compare in all frankness, and, be convinced that Good, Dependable Merchandise can be bought in Salem as cheaply as like goods can be bought anywhere.

"LIBERTY BELLES" for CHILDREN

Creepers and one-piece Suits for children of 1 to 4 years—new garments of simple yet becoming types. The materials are Invincible Suitings in plain colors or stripes. Made with Dutch neck, elbow, sleeves with turn back cuffs and belt. Convenient drop seat. A most sensible garment $1.75

New Slip-On Sweaters

Women's Novelty Slip-On Wool Sweaters in the newest styles. Beautiful new shades handsomely trimmed ..$3.25 to $10.75

Bargains In Tan Hose

CHILDREN'S and MISSES' "KOVERALLS"

We carry a full line of the genuine Levi Strauss Koveralls in sizes 1 to 14 years, both with short or long sleeves. The materials are blue denim, khaki and stripes. There are cheaper make shifts a-plenty but only one "Koverall." Priced according to size $1.50 to $2.25