

SEVENTY-FIRST YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 25, 1921

PRICE: FIVE CENTS

OREGON FAIR OPENS GATES FOR SIX DAYS

Sixtieth Annual Exhibition
Is Expected to Attract
Largest Crowds in History
Of Event.

FLORAL DECORATIONS
AWAIT MANY VISITORS

Horse Show, Night Racing,
Boys' Chorus and Many
Features Listed

MONDAY Children's Day

9 a. m.—Formal opening of the grounds to visitors. Every child in the state will be entitled to free admission providing he is accompanied by parent or teacher.

9:30 a. m.—Viewing of industrial and general displays.

10 a. m.—Judging begins in all departments of industrial club exhibits.

11 a. m.—Concert by Stoudenmeyer's band of Portland.

12:30 p. m.—Auto polo.

1:30 p. m.—Opening of week's horse-racing program.

3 p. m.—Balloon ascension and airplane stunts in front of grand stand.

4 p. m.—Automobile races.

8 p. m.—Night horse racing. Singers and speakers will entertain the crowds in the grand stand.

9 a. m.—Display of fireworks, featuring novelties.

Tomorrow marks the opening of Oregon's 60th annual state fair in this city. For many weeks landscape gardeners, carpenters and masons have been busily engaged in putting the grounds, buildings and new alterations into shape for the many thousands who will be visitors during the next week.

Grounds in Gala Dress.
Exhibitors and concessionaires have nearly completed the task of presenting in gala dress the grounds and new buildings containing exhibits from many states and outside points.

Secretary A. H. Lea, who has charge of the fair for six years, is confident that a better drawing card for immense crowds has never been provided than the present event. New buildings for poultry and machine exhibits, and alterations in the grandstand enlarging the seating capacity to 9000 persons are a few of the many improvements.

Night Racing Added.
One of the most attractive features of the fair grounds is the landscape arrangement, as designed by J. W. Maruny, Salem florist. Mr. Maruny and his crew of gardeners have produced a most pleasing combination of walk borders, flower plots and lawn.

The daily races and the four night horse shows, beginning on Tuesday and ending Friday, will certainly draw large crowds of horse lovers. Evening racing will be one of the events of this season, this being a new feature to Oregon fair followers:

Special days have been designated as follows:

Monday, Sept. 26, Children's day.

Tuesday, Sept. 27, Boosters' day.

Wednesday, Sept. 28, Salem day.

Thursday, Sept. 29, Portland day.

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MYSTERY OF DEAD BABY ON RAILROAD MAY HAVE SOLUTION

That the mystery attached to the finding of the body of a new-born babe near Turner on the morning of September 8, would be solved within a very few days was indicated yesterday by Chief of Police Verden M. Moffitt.

The babe's remains, discovered by a pedestrian on the Southern Pacific right-of-way, caused a vigorous investigation of passenger lists and train crew on trains from Portland to Ashland, but no results were reported. At the time of the finding of the tiny corpse, other indications along the railroad track verified the conclusion of Coroner Rigdon, that the birth occurred on a north-bound train.

Chief Moffitt is confident that the mother of the child is in Marion county at the present time. Reports to the Salem officers are to the effect that the woman is ill and in hiding because of publicity that has been given the incident.

One of Moffitt's theories in regard to the birth of the infant is that it occurred under extenuating circumstances, perhaps aggravated by sudden illness. He expects to have the case completed for Prosecutor Carson within a few days.

"One error in publicity given this case has been the inference that the child was murdered or deliberately thrown from the moving train. This may be very far from the truth when all the facts are ascertained. It is best to withhold any condemnation at present although difficult to understand the mother's motive in withholding the truth," stated Moffitt.

SALEM POLICEMEN AS THEY APPEAR IN NEW UNIFORMS



Upper row, left to right—Patrolman Elmer G. White, Patrolman W. W. Birtchett, Patrolman O. F. Victor. Lower row, left to right—Sergeant Clyde R. Ellis, Chief of Police Verden M. Moffitt, Sergeant Ralph E. Davis.

ELABORATE RECEPTION WILL BE GIVEN JOHN J. TIGERT

Educators of Salem and Willamette valley are making great plans for the reception to be given Monday when John J. Tigert, United States educational commissioner, arrives in the city for a short visit.

Mr. Tigert will arrive from Portland about 10:30 a. m. Monday morning and will speak at the chapel of Willamette university, beginning about 11:30 o'clock.

At 1 o'clock a luncheon will be tendered the distinguished educator at the Marion hotel, which will be attended by about 100 of the prominent educators in this part of the state.

Following the luncheon and reception at the Marion, Mr. Tigert will be taken to the state fair grounds in order that he may have opportunity to note what Oregon can do in the way of an educational exhibit. He will leave for California on the Mt. Shasta limited Monday evening.

Many Reservations Made
Among the educators of the state who have made reservations to attend the luncheon are the following:

Mrs. M. L. Fulkerson, president of the State Teachers' association; J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction; W. J. Kerr, president of Oregon Agricultural college; P. L. Campbell.

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YAKIMA HOTELS HOLD DOWN PRICES DURING STATE FAIR

E. A. Rhoten returned yesterday from a few days visit to the Washington state fair that was held at Yakima, during the past week. He reports the fair as being a huge success from all points of view.

The exhibits and arrangements were unexcelled and the attendance, while not a record, was very satisfactory.

"Business conditions in the Yakima valley are quite good and fast improving," says Mr. Rhoten. "As this year's crops are being moved at fair prices business is usual is becoming a fact and not a hope."

In speaking of Yakima and its handling of the state fair crowd of visitors, Mr. Rhoten says:

"Yakima is a small city, about the size of Salem and of course it taxes its ability properly to care for the crowds. However, with the system used, every one was cared for satisfactorily and not a complaint did I hear.

"The two main hotels, the Donnelly and the Commercial, cooperated with the Commercial club and handled the situation nicely without a suspicion of an overcharge. The usual rates were in effect at the hotels, that is a first class room where occupied by one person was charged at \$1.50 and if two or more occupied the same room an additional charge of 50 cents per person was made. Rooms with private baths were charged at a proportionate higher rate.

"The hotels kept a list of the rooms available in private homes and by using the phone and messengers good service was given and no one waited for a room.

"The hotels refused to list rooms from outside sources that wanted to charge in excess of their rates. As a result the price was stabilized at once.

"I arrived in Yakima Wednesday.

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BRUMFIELD KEEPS HIS BED ALL DAY

Prisoner Refuses to Recognize Anyone—May Be Playing Insanity

ROSEBURG, Or., Sept. 24.—Dr. R. M. Brumfield, alleged slayer of Dennis Russell, who yesterday attacked Sheriff Hopkins with a cell chair, today refused to recognize anyone.

He remained in bed nearly all day and refused to eat the meals brought him.

Ether Brumfield is really insane, officers said, or he is doing some very clever acting to avoid the charges which he contends shows the time during which he was alleged to have killed Russell.

NEWBERG SUFFERS HEAVY FIRE LOSS

Flames Destroy Ten Automobiles, Garage and Several Other Buildings

NEWBERG, Ore., Sept. 24.—Fire which started in the vulcanizing department of the Lisle Palmer garage, on the main business street of Newberg, destroyed the garage, 10 automobiles, an adjoining building, a meat market and a barber shop and damaged a two-story wooden structure.

Marvin Moore, a mechanic, suffered severe burns.

The loss was estimated at \$40,000.

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Declaring that the \$3,324,000,000 total proposed under the revised bill was only \$52,000,000 more than the treasury had estimated would have to be raised through internal taxes the report said this was "a margin of safety now too large for the fiscal year in view of the business depression and the uncertainty attaching to the yield of the income and profits taxes."

Returns Estimated
"Your committee has acted," the report said, "on the assumption that except the special railroad expenditures which will be nearly if not wholly completed in the fiscal year 1922, the aggregate expenditure for the fiscal year 1922, will be substantially as large as in the fiscal year 1922. The special railroad expenditures included in the 1922 budget amount to \$500,000,000; and receipts from customs and miscellaneous sources for the fiscal year 1922 are estimated at \$730,000,000. Deducting both amounts from the total estimated expenditures for 1922 (\$4,024,000,000) leaves in round figures \$2,800,000,000 to be supplied by internal taxes for the fiscal year 1922.

Economics Necessary
"The revenue bill as recommended by your committee will raise during 1922, it is estimated, \$2,735,700,000. The difference or deficit of \$65,000,000—about equal to the corresponding surplus for the fiscal year 1922—can and should be avoided by savings and economies. Your committee recommends a tax program which, while providing revenues substantially sufficient to meet ordinary expenditures on the present scale, assumes that a reasonable measure of retrenchment and reductions will be accomplished."

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SILVERTON TO CLOSE TIGHT ON SALEM DAY

People of Neighboring City
Will Demonstrate Fact That
They Are Live Ones

SILVERTON, Or., Sept. 24.—(Special to The Statesman)—Through some error on the part of Silverton, it seems that it has got about that this place is a sort of backwoods country village where motor cars are still rare sights and airplanes unheard of. Salem in particular seems to have imbued this idea. In fact it is reported that a prominent Salemite wrote an equally prominent Silvertonian asking him if Silverton had yet become aware of the fact that the war was over.

To correct this very erroneous idea, Silverton folks have decided to turn out in a body at the state fair on Wednesday. The Silverton band will head the procession and every true Silvertonian with any sort of a conveyance is requested to join in the line. The Silverton schools will be closed and it is thought that a great number of the business houses will also close for the day.

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ALL READY FOR SOUTHARD TRIAL

Woman Accused of Slaying
Husband Has 150 Wit-
nesses Against Her

TWIN FALLS, Ida., Sept. 24.—Preparations were complete here tonight for the opening on next Monday morning of the trial of Mrs. Lyla Meyer Southard on a charge of murder in connection with the death of her fourth husband, Edward F. Meyer.

What is expected to result in perhaps the biggest battle of the entire trial is scheduled to break shortly after the start of the introduction of evidence, when the question of the admissibility of evidence touching alleged circumstances surrounding the deaths of her three previous husbands arises.

Around 150 witnesses have been summoned to appear in district court to testify for the prosecution, and an imposing array of legal talent has been marshaled by both sides. Frank L. Stephens, county prosecutor, will be assisted by Attorney General Roy Clark of Boise and Edward A. Walters of Twin Falls. Associated with William P. Guthrie, leading counsel for the defense, will be A. H. Hicks and Homer C. Mills, both of Twin Falls. District Judge William A. Babcock will preside.

Probably a day or two will be consumed, it is predicted, in the selection of a jury, and it is considered not unlikely that the task may take a longer time.

Unusual preparations are being made for handling the crowds that are expected to seek admittance to the court room. It is announced that admissions are to be limited to the number of available seats, in the interest of order during the trial. Special arrangements have been made for the convenience of press representatives.

The defendant was declared today to be in good health, the wound on her wrist accidentally inflicted by herself some 10 days ago having completely healed.

IRISH DEBATE SLATED TODAY

Episcopal and Baptist Cler-
gymen Will Tangle—
Sincerity Questioned

Although the genuineness of debate scheduled for the armory at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon on the Irish question has been challenged by a Salem minister, and a controversy has arisen between him and Edward Adams Cantrell, one of the debaters, indications are that strong interest will be taken in the argument by the people of Salem. The clash, in fact, has served to advertise the debate and doubtless will have the effect of adding to the attendance.

The speakers are Mr. Cantrell, who is an Episcopal clergyman, and Rev. W. L. Brandon, a Baptist minister, advertised as coming from Kansas City. Dr. W. T. Milliken, pastor of the Salem Baptist church, has questioned the qualifications of Mr. Brandon and in published letters has suggested that the debate is possibly a propandea for the Irish cause.

Mr. Cantrell, on the other hand, and the religious editor of the Portland Telegram, aver that Brandon is sincere, and a bona fide Baptist minister, who believes the Irish movement is in the interest of the Catholic church and should not be supported by Protestant people.

Letters that have passed between Cantrell and Milliken through the medium of the press are extremely tart.

Some of the Salem pastors have agreed to announce the debate from their pulpits today.

PRUNE GROWER SELLS TO EASTERN CONSUMER DIRECT

A prune grower living in the Salem district has hit upon a plan of disposing of his prunes almost at a retail price in the east.

For the petite prune, he is getting 16 cents a pound, with express charges prepaid on 15 pounds or over. On 100 pound shipments, the price is 14 cents a pound, freight prepaid.

This energetic grower advertises his loganberries, dried, at 45 cents a pound. On five pounds or over, the express or parcel post is prepaid.

By securing names of people in the east who want prunes direct from the grower, which were secured by judicious advertising, the grower has worked up quite a business direct with the consumers.

NEW ADVANCE BEGUN

MADRID, Sept. 24.—Spanish forces engaged against Moroccan tribesmen southwest of Meillia began a new advance yesterday, it is officially announced. Columns despatched from Zoco El Arbaa and Nador, and gained considerable ground.

BIG LUMBER PLANT IN WEST SALEM IS LOCAL ENTERPRISE

Salem is to have another very large and complete lumber yard and building supply concern, and at once.

The West Side Lumber company commenced laying the foundations yesterday for its series of sheds and buildings that are to arise as fast as workmen can put them together just beyond Pinckney station in West Salem. The office of the company will front on the Wallace road, about 50 feet from the Polk county end of the bridge across the Willamette.

Backed by Big Concern
This new company will be backed by the Silver Falls Timber company of Silverton, operating the immense sawmill plant there famous for quantity and quality and prompt delivery. The quality of the yellow fir of this concern is of the very best.

The manager of the West Side Lumber company will be Paul Morse, who was for two years with the Long-Bell company, of Kansas City, a lumber company with a nation-wide business and reputation. He was also for the same length of time with the Burner-Bowman Lumber company of the same city.

Mr. Morse is the son-in-law of Dr. B. L. Steeves. With Mrs. Morse, he had already ordered

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COAST BASEBALL

ANGELS 10, SEATTLE 6
SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 24.—Cooper's wildness in the eighth inning, slaying of visiting batters, together with ragged support, lost Seattle another game to Los Angeles, this one 10 to 6. The home team, however, got six runs because of insufficient strength.

R. H. E.
Los Angeles 10 12 1
Seattle 6 8 1
Batteries—Aldridge and Stange; Cooper, Mack, Daily and Spencer.

OAKLAND 5, SACRAMENTO 2
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 24.—Oakland defeated Sacramento 5 to 2 today in a fast pitchers' battle between Allen and Penner. The Oaks won in the eighth inning, Penner forcing a double play first and then scored from first base on Koehler's hit to right field.

R. H. E.
Sacramento 2 7 2
Oakland 5 9 0
Batteries—Penner and Schanz; Allen and Koehler.

VERNON 10, SALT LAKE 4
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 24.—Vernon batted Salt Lake's pitcher, Reiger, out of the box in the seventh inning with a six-run rally, and won the game today 10 to 4.

R. H. E.
Salt Lake 4 10 2
Vernon 10 16 0
Batteries—Reiger, Polson and Edwards—McGraw and Murphy.

PORTLAND 10, FRESONO 2
PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 24.—Portland hammered Fresno 10 to 2 today, defeating the Seals for 18 bingles today, defeating the Seals 10 to 2. Scott lasted only one-third of an inning, Portland getting six runs before the side was retired. Keeffe did better but was lifted for a pinch hitter in the eighth, getting six runs and three hits for two runs on McQuaid in the eighth. Fisher had two doubles and two singles and Hale two doubles, a triple and a single. Empire McGraw was hit on the arm by a foul tip and delayed the game ten minutes before he could return to the field.

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STANDING OF THE CLUBS
W. L. Pct.
Los Angeles 102 76 .573
San Francisco 92 77 .544
Sacramento 100 78 .561
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The estimated returns this fiscal year from income and excess profit are \$1,880,000,000, according to the report, as against \$2,880,000,000 of actual collections in the fiscal year ended June 30. Only about \$50,000,000 of this \$1,120,000,000 is accounted for by the proposed changes. Treasury officials and committee members explained that the remainder is charged to shrinkage on account of business depression, diversion of funds to tax exempt securities and other causes.

Declaring that the \$3,324,000,000 total proposed under the revised bill was only \$52,000,000 more than the treasury had estimated would have to be raised through internal taxes the report said this was "a margin of safety now too large for the fiscal year in view of the business depression and the uncertainty attaching to the yield of the income and profits taxes."

Returns Estimated
"Your committee has acted," the report said, "on the assumption that except the special railroad expenditures which will be nearly if not wholly completed in the fiscal year 1922, the aggregate expenditure for the fiscal year 1922, will be substantially as large as in the fiscal year 1922. The special railroad expenditures included in the 1922 budget amount to \$500,000,000; and receipts from customs and miscellaneous sources for the fiscal year 1922 are estimated at \$730,000,000. Deducting both amounts from the total estimated expenditures for 1922 (\$4,024,000,000) leaves in round figures \$2,800,000,000 to be supplied by internal taxes for the fiscal year 1922.

Economics Necessary
"The revenue bill as recommended by your committee will raise during 1922, it is estimated, \$2,735,700,000. The difference or deficit of \$65,000,000—about equal to the corresponding surplus for the fiscal year 1922—can and should be avoided by savings and economies. Your committee recommends a tax program which, while providing revenues substantially sufficient to meet ordinary expenditures on the present scale, assumes that a reasonable measure of retrenchment and reductions will be accomplished."

SILVERTON TO CLOSE TIGHT ON SALEM DAY

People of Neighboring City
Will Demonstrate Fact That
They Are Live Ones

SILVERTON, Or., Sept. 24.—(Special to The Statesman)—Through some error on the part of Silverton, it seems that it has got about that this place is a sort of backwoods country village where motor cars are still rare sights and airplanes unheard of. Salem in particular seems to have imbued this idea. In fact it is reported that a prominent Salemite wrote an equally prominent Silvertonian asking him if Silverton had yet become aware of the fact that the war was over.

To correct this very erroneous idea, Silverton folks have decided to turn out in a body at the state fair on Wednesday. The Silverton band will head the procession and every true Silvertonian with any sort of a conveyance is requested to join in the line. The Silverton schools will be closed and it is thought that a great number of the business houses will also close for the day.

SEMNACHER ASHAMED TO TELL STORY ARBUCKLE TOLD, SO HE WRITES IT ON WITNESS STAND

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 24.—Alfred Semnacher declined to repeat aloud from the witness stand today the details of Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle's description of his treatment of Miss Virginia Rappe at the revel which led to the girl's death and instead wrote them out on a paper which he showed to the attorneys and to Police Judge Sylvian Lazarus, who is hearing the murder complaint against the film comedian.

He first said that Arbuckle's story of the incident, told to himself, Lowell Sherman, Fred Fischbach and Arbuckle's chauffeur, Harry McCullough, and which involved the use of ice, caused a general laugh. When the details were demanded, he objected to testifying verbally.

No one remonstrated at Arbuckle's tale, according to the witness, who said it was told in Arbuckle's suite at the Hotel St. Francis where the drinking party had taken place the afternoon before. Other conversation about the affair was limited to discussion of the intoxicated condition of some of the participants, Semnacher said. He testified yesterday that he had only coffee to drink.

In answer to questions from Arbuckle's attorneys, Semnacher said he had observed nothing improper in Arbuckle's actions toward Miss Rappe or any of the other women at the party.