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CONFERENCE ALMOST UPSET

MANY DIE AND DAMAGE BIG IN TORNADO AREA

Ruined Farms and Isolated Villages Left in Wake of Electric and Wind Storms in Indiana and Illinois.

RELIEF IS HURRIED TO STRICKEN POINTS

Deaths Reported at Lafayette, Williamsport, Alexandria and Elsewhere

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 17.—A series of electric and wind storms passed across Indiana today, leaving ruined farms and isolated villages in their wake.

Communication in the state is difficult. Washouts have caused delays or suspended service on many interurban and steam railway lines and telegraph and telephone service is seriously crippled.

Tornadoes were reported as visiting six Indiana towns today. Hedrick and Sloan, near Danville, Ill., suffered worst, according to early reports. Tornadoes were also reported as visiting Summitville, Gaston, Matthews and Wheeling, northeast of here.

The loss at Wheeling and Gaston is reported as heavy, though no lives are believed lost.

Deaths Reported

IRVINGTON, Ill., April 17.—Relief workers from Centralia and surrounding towns, including a corps of Red Cross workers, were here tonight, caring for homeless and a number of injured persons following the tornado early today which practically had erased this town from the map. Four persons are dead, and about 40 others are seriously injured, according to a check-up by relief workers.

Damage caused by the tornado is estimated at approximately \$200,000 in this town of about 100 homes and business houses, and where the tornado cut a path through Marion, Washington and Jefferson counties.

The scene here tonight is one of desolation. Half of the homes have been demolished. A strip of more than 25 miles long and about 150 yards wide was swept clean by the twister, which flattened itself to the earth and shattered everything in its path. Transportation by road is practically at a standstill, due to the torrential rains which followed the tornado.

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COLLEGES POLISH PEBBLES AND DIM DIAMONDS—MAXIM

"As Robert Ingersoll said, 'College is a place where pebbles are polished and diamonds are dimmed.' I never studied the ancient Assyrian languages, and I haven't felt the lack of them. The greatest philosophy of life is that which can be put to the best use, and the most thoroughly educated man is the most useful."

This quotation presents, in the words of Hudson Maxim, the famous inventor of explosives and a greatly successful man, the scope of the New Universities Dictionary, being distributed by this paper, exclusively to readers. Men and women, boys or girls, who utilize the information in this most notable book will acquire, without expense, a complete education. Study of this book will polish and refine anybody's speech and writing. It will give familiarity with all the special activities in the world today. The 22 supplementary dictionaries will give a reader specialized information on almost any subject.

The illustrations will familiarize the eye with new inventions and newly discovered countries. Full pages and double pages appear in color and duotone. This is the first and only dictionary ever published illustrated by this wonderful and beautiful duotone process at pictorial printing.

TWO MILLIONS IN DAMAGE IS DONE BY FIRE

POCOMOKE CITY, Md., April 17.—With 10 acres in the heart of this city burned over, causing an estimated property damage of more than \$2,000,000, Governor Ritchie tonight ordered a company of the First regiment, Maryland national guard, at Salisbury to proceed here at once to protect property which escaped the flames.

Tonight the town is in darkness. Wires are down. The heart of the business section is in ruins. Both banks have been destroyed and in addition to business structures, 50 homes fell prey to the flames.

Communication with the outside world has been established by tapping wires on the outskirts. Realizing that after tonight there would be no means to illuminate the streets, Mayor Cull telephoned to Governor Ritchie for troops.

PICK-UP SWEEPER RECEIVES FAVOR

Council to Aid in Boosting for Measure That Goes on May Ballot

In endorsement of Alderman Giesy's statement concerning the economy of purchasing a pick-up street sweeper, the city council last night accepted a suggestion that the proposal be given every measure of aid prior to its appearance upon the ballot at the primaries, May 19, 1922.

"Street Commissioner Walter Low has made a most careful scrutiny of street department expenses and estimates that purchase of this machine would effect a saving of \$3000 each year," said Alderman Giesy. "At the same time it would extend the radius of the street cleaning department and would make it possible for the department to go over every paved street in the city at least once each week. It is impossible to do this at the present time, although the street department is allowed \$6000 annually for this item."

"The city's financial status is such that we must find a more economical method of handling this department," reports Commissioner Walter Low. "This motor-driven, pick-up sweeper is a needed economy. By its use we would eliminate three men and three horses now employed the year around, as well as to dispense with two extra men and two teams employed as extra equipment during seven months of the year.

"At the present time the crew is kept busy on gutter cleaning. The sweeper would do away with all gutter work. The sweeper has a capacity of three cubic yards, and dump stations would be established to eliminate unnecessary runs to distant dump grounds."

Conservative business men and other citizens who have informed themselves as to the wastefulness and inefficiency of the present method of cleaning streets are enthusiastic in support of the proposal to purchase the automatic, motor-driven sweeper, Mr. Giesy told the councilmen.

That the machine can now be purchased for \$7500 and the saving effected would pay for the purchase price within three years is a strong argument for the measure.

Frank C. Bramwell is in Charge of State Bank

PORTLAND, Ore., April 23.—The State Bank of Portland which failed two months ago was taken in charge of State Bank Examiner Frank C. Bramwell today following failure of efforts by the bank's officers to formulate workable plans for its re-opening within the 60-day period prescribed by law. Bramwell said steps to liquidate the bank's assets would be taken unless a final effort launched by a depositor's committee to save the bank shall result favorably by May 1.

"I believe depositors will receive 75 cents on the dollar," Bramwell said.

BOGUS PAPER DECLARED TO COVER NATION

Secretary Mellon Demands Evidence on Which Article in Plate Printer, Union Publication, Was Based.

UNEASINESS ON PART OF HOLDERS FEARED

Special Report on Bureau of Printing and Engraving Due This Week

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Secretary Mellon today called upon the Plate Printer, official organ of the Plate Printers' union employees at the bureau of engraving and printing to furnish him immediately with any evidence upon which that publication had based its statements that the country was flooded with millions of counterfeit bank notes, bonds, war savings and other stamps, war bonds and coupons. Any such evidence, he added, would be investigated at once.

The Plate Printer recently published an article criticizing what it declared was a flood of counterfeits with the recent reorganization of the bureau by President Harding involving the removal of Director James L. Wilmoth and other officials.

In a letter to Frank J. Coleman, editor and business manager of the Plate Printer, Mr. Mellon said that "statements of this sort, reflecting as they do upon the government bonds in the hands of investors, are calculated to cause widespread uneasiness on the part of such holders and at the same time, if uncontradicted, might tend to injure the credit and standing with the public of the securities of the government."

Mr. Mellon added that it had been the custom of the treasury to send out circulars describing every counterfeit issue when discovered and requested that he be furnished with any evidence other than that contained in such circulars.

The report of the special committee which has made an inventory of the stock of the bureau, probably will be completed this week, according to high treasury officials, who, however, did not indicate whether the report would be made public by Mr. Mellon or would be sent to President Harding.

The situation at the bureau was discussed today at a conference between President Harding and Chairman McFadden of the house banking and currency committee. Mr. McFadden said that very good progress was being made on the check-up of the bureau.

RIGDON LIKELY TO ENTER RACE

Business Man Expected to Announce His Candidacy For Mayor Today

Political dope concerning the mayoralty situation was totally upset yesterday when friends of W. T. Rigdon, announced that Mr. Rigdon would probably announce his candidacy for mayor this afternoon.

Should Mr. Rigdon declare himself, Salem voters will be asked to make a choice from four candidates, as Henry Vandeventer, John B. Giesy and F. L. Utter have already filed for the nomination at the primaries of May 19.

Mr. Rigdon has lived in Salem since his childhood and is well known as a local business man. He was a member of the Salem city council for several years and for nearly 20 years has directed an undertaking establishment under his name.

Should Mr. Rigdon declare himself, it is held by politicians that his action will be in answer to the efforts of a group of citizens who have expressed dissatisfaction with candidates now in the field. Several citizens have been asked to participate in the race against those who already have declared.

INVESTIGATION OF SCHOOL IS BEGUN BY SPOKANE COURT

SPOKANE, April 17.—"Indict all persons contributing to the delinquency of minors," Judge A. W. Frater of Seattle instructed the Spokane county superior court grand jury, empanelled here today to probe reports of alleged delinquency of students attending Spokane high schools, and also to investigate the juvenile court.

After being sworn in and receiving instructions the jury, consisting of six women and eleven men, recessed for the day. It will begin active investigation tomorrow.

Judge Frater laid stress on the necessity for a thorough probe of the juvenile court. The jury was told to make recommendations for changes should they find "there has been discrimination, lack of kindness, or any other lax methods" on the part of the juvenile court.

The original charges of wrong action on the part of high school students were made by Judge R. M. Webster of the juvenile court, who also called the grand jury.

MINISTERS ARE ASSIGNED BY UNITED EVANGELICALS

DALLAS, Or., April 17.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The annual conference of the United Evangelical churches of Oregon closed last night in the Dallas church with a stirring sermon by Bishop Heil of Allentown, Pa. The sessions began in the morning with a sermon by Bishop Heil. In the afternoon a missionary service was held with Miss Bertha Magness, a returned missionary from China, and Bishop Heil as the speakers.

Following the evening services the stationing committee composed of Bishop Heil and G. L. Lovell, presiding elder of the Oregon conference district, made the following report regarding the stationing of ministers for the ensuing year:

Oregon conference district—G. L. Lovell, presiding elder; Portland, First, C. P. Gates; Portland, St. Johns, H. H. Farnham; Portland, Ockley Green, A. R. Schmale; Portland, Withita, E. C. Farnham; Adna, W. E. Simpson; Brooks and Middle Grove, G. E. Erskine; Corvallis and Beula, A. P. Layton, S. M. Wood as supply minister; Dallas, A. L. Lonsberry; Dayton, F. E. Fisher; Eugene, A. W. Curry; Florence, F. H. Neff; Hillsboro and Laurel, J. Holdeman; Kings Valley, H. Correll; Lafayette, C. A. Hoyt; Lewisville and Airlie, V. A. Ballantyne; Waterloo, to be supplied; Mapleton, to be supplied; Rikreall, J. L. Burns; Salem, L. R. Willard; Summit, R. J. Phelps and Warren, G. R. Stover.

The quarterly conference members appointed are as follows: Portland, First, Dr. P. Bittner; G. D. Kunkle, J. A. Goode; Salem, G. N. Thompson; Corvallis, R. O. Caves; Dallas, M. B. Young, M. J. Ballantyne; Florence, T. A. Yost; Adna, W. S. Plowman; Summit, V. Urbina; Ockley Green, J. Bowersox.

The conference voted to meet next year in Portland on May 24.

BROWN SHOOTING CASE WILL REACH HANDS OF JURY TODAY

After the presentation of witnesses after witness who testified concerning the shooting of Arthur Lewis, the prosecution rested yesterday afternoon having built up a strong case against J. M. Brown, who on September 4, 1921, shot and seriously wounded Lewis while the latter was aiding Special Agent S. B. Sandefer in an effort to intercept a delivery of 20 gallons of moonshine liquor.

The defense with T. W. Gillard and L. H. McMahon as counsel, also concluded its case yesterday and court adjourned last night a few moments after Deputy Prosecutor Thomas Brown had opened the argument for the state. The case will reach the jury today.

Intentions Admitted
J. M. Brown, the defendant, and Forest Brown, his son, while on the witness stand both admitted the truth of testimony by Sandefer and four others to the effect that they had arranged to deliver 20 gallons of moonshine whiskey to Putnam and Kelly, "undercover" men for Sandefer.

While on the witness stand J. M. Brown did not lapse from the indifferent attitude he has assumed throughout the trial. He told the jury that he had always carried a gun "From the time I was a little feller."

Brown and his son stated that they had failed to get the liquor from "A fellow who had some for sale." They denied knowledge of the 20 gallons of liquor which stands in the courtroom as an exhibit in the case and which was found by Sandefer and his deputies shortly after the shooting which occurred on a lonely detour on River road about one mile south of Salem.

Brown Tells Story
"I got out of the car and waited around for about a half hour. Then I walked back to the car and found another machine near," said J. M. Brown. "Forest was not in sight and I asked the peo-

M'ARTHUR HAS CANVASS MADE ON NAVY BILL

Oregon Representative Declares 1923 Sea-Power Budget Will Be Adopted With Margin of 60 Votes.

FIGHT EXPECTED TO BE RESUMED TODAY

Chairman Kelly Sees Good Faith in Disarmament Conference at Stake

WASHINGTON, April 17.—The fight over the 1923 naval budget to be renewed tomorrow in the house, brought today from the opposing sides an outline of the policy they intend to pursue in the remaining stages of the struggle. Supplementing his announcement that a roll call would be demanded and obtained in the house proper on the Vane amendment, increasing the enlisted force from 67,000 to 86,000, Chairman Kelly in charge of the measure, declared he also would demand a record vote on all amendments ready for presentation which seek to increase the amounts appropriated for the bureaus of engineering, ordnance and construction and repair.

McArthur Sees Victory

Speaking of those who put through the 86,000 proposal, Representative McArthur, Republican Oregon, declared a check showed it would win by 60 votes, compared with 47 majority in committee of the whole Saturday.

Chairman Madden of the appropriations committee and Representative Barnes joined in the demand of Chairman Kelly for a record vote on the enlistment and other amendments.

"Our supporters unable to be here last week will be on hand when the next show-down comes and the personnel figures advocated by President Harding will win by a margin of 60 votes," said McArthur.

Treasury Onslaught Hit

Making no prediction as to the final vote on the disputed section, and referring directly to efforts to obtain other increases in the bill, Chairman Kelly said "if the onslaught on the treasury for naval purposes is not stopped, the good faith of the conference on limitation of armament will be open to serious consideration of the people of the world."

HOUSES BURNED

BELFAST, April 17.—(By The Associated Press)—Seven houses were burned tonight in Antigua street, in the old park district. There also was considerable firing in the same area, and two men were wounded.

PUZZLE PROVES MENTAL TONIC

Judges, ministers, chorus girls forget troubles in quest of "R" words.

Brush up the old bean! Begird the benumbed brain against mental beriberi and bluff out the benzine board.

Start in now—turn to the picture puzzle page and have a look at The Statesman "R" puzzle. It will help you mentally, socially and maybe financially.

This observation puzzle is proving the greatest little mental hors d'oeuvre offered the town in a moon. It intrigues the fancy, captivates the interest, makes the day brighter and the nights more cheerful.

Socially it has become a necessity, as one must be familiar with it to carry on a conversation in any circle whatever. Judges are forgetting their decisions; ministers their sermons, chorus girls their limousines, to figure it out.

Financially, you may make a lot of money—easy, but excellent and efficacious money—by solving the riddle. Play the picture puzzle game.

BARBED WIRES TELL ACCIDENT TO SHEEP MAN

PENDLETON, Or., April 17.—Mrs. J. C. Hoskins of Pendleton is in a critical condition as the result of injuries sustained near Stanfield when she was run over by a small automobile which she had cranked without throwing the engine out of gear.

The car hurled her to the ground and dragged her until the machine struck a fence.

The vibration of the engine which continued to run after the car was stopped, was made known over barbed wires in the fence to a sheep herder three-fourths of a mile away with his flock. He came to her assistance.

Mrs. Hoskins is not expected to live. Her breast bone is broken and she is crushed and injured internally.

TODAY IS LAST FOR REGISTERING

Final Opportunity Given Citizens to Make Peace With Polling Lists

REGISTER! REGISTER!

Today is the last day in which Salem and Marion county voters can register with local registrars.

County Clerk U. G. Boyer has made arrangements to keep the courthouse registration books open until 8 o'clock tonight.

In the past, many voters have ignored the legal registration period and have imposed upon election boards by asking to be registered upon election day. This practice has brought about protest from election officials who are not highly paid and who report that tardy voters interfere with those who are qualified to cast their ballots.

Voters who have changed residence since last voting or who have failed to ballot at legal elections during the past two years should present themselves at the county clerk's office today.

GRAND RONDE AND BLACK ROCK CAMPS STILL YIELD TO SNOW

Snow almost every day last week, was reported by U. G. Holt, head of the logging department of the Spaulding Logging company, from both the Grand Ronde and the Black Rock camps.

The latter camp, where only a little clean-up work remains to do preparatory to moving all the operations to the Grand Ronde district, is at an elevation of approaching 2,500 feet; the Grand Ronde camp, farther north, is at an elevation of only 700 feet—but both have been about equally snowy. While the snow has not been heavy enough to seriously impede traffic, it has been disagreeable and has slowed production.

EIGHTEEN SEPARATE BOOKS TO FURNISH ELECTION DATA

A total of \$11,535 was the result of filings of declarations of candidates and statements for the candidates' pamphlet for the primary election May 19, 1922, when the time for filing declarations and statements expired on April 14, according to Secretary of State Koser. There were 229 declarations filed by Republican candidates from which the fees amounted to \$6010, and 57 declarations from Democratic candidates from which filing fees amounted to \$1500. There were 92 Republican candidates who filed statements for the candidates' pamphlets, from which the fees amounted to \$3665 and five Democratic candidates for which the fees aggregated \$350.

"Comparing the total fees received for the 1922 primary election for filing declarations and printing statements in the party pamphlets with similar filings for the primary election in May, 1920, we find that the fees for the latter amounted to \$11,975," said Mr. Koser. "In 1920, however, it must be remembered that there were many candidates for delegate to the party national conventions, and also a number of candidates for nomination for president, who filed lengthy statements.

"It will require a total of 18 separate pamphlets in order that the statements submitted may be printed and appropriately distributed to the electors of the Republican and the Democratic parties, as the corrupt practices act provides. Prior to the primary election in May, 1920, the statements submitted required 19 separate pamphlets to accomplish the same results. The work of editing, printing, binding and distributing the pamphlets is under way, and under the law is required to be completed not less than eight days before the primary election, occurring May 19, 1922."