

CIRCULATION
 Average for April, 1923:
 Sunday only 6117
 Daily and Sunday 5502
 Average for six months ending April 30,
 1923:
 Sundays only 5908
 Daily and Sunday 5489

The Oregon Statesman

IN THE CITY OF SALEM
 and elsewhere in
 Marion and Polk Counties
 Nearly everybody reads
The Oregon Statesman
 THE HOME NEWSPAPER

SEVENTY-THIRD YEAR SALEM, OREGON, TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 15, 1923 PRICE FIVE CENTS

HOT SPRINGS DEVASTATED

MANY KILLED AND INJURED BY TORNADO

Seventeen Dead and One Hundred Injured Is Toll of Windstorm Which Sweeps County

MANY VICTIMS ARE CAUGHT WHILE ASLEEP

Fifty Houses Are Destroyed and Many Wires Put Out of Commission

COLORADO CITY, Tex., May 4.—(By Associated Press.)—Seventeen known dead, about one hundred injured, seven seriously and at least 300 homeless was the total toll of the tornado which cut a swath through Mitchell county in west Texas, early today.

A special train from Big Springs brought doctors, nurses and medical supplies. Others came from Snyder and Sweetwater.

The tornado struck between 4 and 5 in its wake for 30 miles. It leveled buildings and left death and injury in its wake for 30 miles.

All the deaths were in more or less isolated places on farms. Due to the distance between farms and demoralization of wire communication, it was expected here that it would be many hours before the entire district could be heard from.

Citizens of towns near the (continued on page 2)

LEGION PLAYERS BEAT COMPANY F

Bankers and Spauldings of Twilight League Meet Tomorrow Evening

The two American armies met on the Willamette baseball diamond Monday night and played a slashing game as anybody would expect them to do. The champs of last year's Twilight league, the American Legion team, won by a score of 7 to 5, from the Company F household warriors.

But it was close enough at the end of five innings, which was all they could play because it grew too dark to play longer. That the Guardians had a chance to even it up by the end of any regulation game. Luke Gill, pitching for the Guardians, played a good game. He was opposed by "Billy" Bishop, of the Legion, and the two pitchers were there with as clever a delivery as any one would wish. Both teams played good enough ball to make the fight between them for the series, look like a battle of giants.

The Bankers are to meet the Spauldings, Wednesday night. The deferred game between the Spauldings and the Legion, that was set for tonight, has been postponed until May 24th.

THE WEATHER
 OREGON: Rain in west portion; cloudy in east portion.
LOCAL WEATHER
 (Monday)
 Maximum temperature, 64.
 Minimum temperature, 50.
 River, 3.5 feet; falling.
 Rainfall, .03 inch.
 Atmosphere, cloudy.
 Wind, south.

ANITA STEWART NOW SEEKS DIVORCE FROM MR. CAMERON



Anita Stewart, motion picture star, according to a Los Angeles newspaper, will file a divorce action against Rudolph Cameron, her director as well as husband.

PEOPLE TO HAVE CHANCE TO CUT FADS AND FRILLS FROM COURSES OF STUDY

The people of Oregon are requested by Superintendent of Public Instruction J. A. Churchill to make a survey of the state courses of study, both for the elementary grades and the high school.

At the request of Mr. Churchill, City Superintendent Ager of Bend, president of the State Teachers' association, has appointed a committee to direct the survey and report the reactions of school patrons to the courses of study, at the meeting of the association in December. Committee appointed is Dean E. D. Ressler, Oregon Agricultural college, chairman; Professor F. L. Stetson, University

TWO AMERICANS DIE IN WRECK

Passenger Airplane on Paris-London Route Brings Death to Six

CONY, France, May 14.—Six persons, including two Americans were killed in the wreck of a passenger airplane on the Paris-London route this afternoon at the village of Mousons.

One of the Americans was Lawrence Vonpost Schwab of New York and the other is believed to have been Miss Juanita Bates, New York.

There appears to be no doubt of the identity of Mr. Schwab, but there is some uncertainty respecting the woman, the only means of identification being papers found in the charred debris, which were hardly decipherable.

Mr. Schwab was a member of the firm of Oelrichs and company, wool dealers of New York. He had just completed a business trip to Europe and was flying to London with the intention of sailing from Liverpool on the Mauretania.

HONOR PLACE LOOMING NEAR SALEM LEADER

Representative W. C. Hawley Expected Soon to Be Chairman of Ways and Means Committee

CONGRESSMAN HOME FOR SUMMER SEASON

Plans Outlined—Business Is Better, But Transportation Lagging

Congressman Willis C. Hawley, who returned late Sunday night to his home in Salem, reports that the total federal appropriation for Oregon for the current year is approximately \$4,350,000, of which \$2,192,000 is for river and harbor improvements, and the remainder for roads and other improvements. The federal fund for the Roosevelt Highway is in readiness for the state of Oregon to match and make the road a reality.

Mr. Hawley is now second in order of seniority on the ways and means committee. If Congressman Green of Iowa should be appointed to the federal district court, as is the present expectation, it would leave Congressman Hawley the chairmanship.

Billions Handled
 "This is the greatest money-handling organization in the history of the world," said Mr. Hawley. "In the six years that I have been on the committee it has spent \$75,000,000 in money that has been raised in taxes or bonds. This, of course, has covered the war period, when expenditures were necessarily so enormous. One can hardly conceive what an enormous sum that is; but it has actually been handled through this body of men."

President Harding is to start on his trip to Alaska in time to be in Oregon about July 4. He may be able to give a Fourth of July address at Portland; and he may be able to go to the formal opening of the Oregon Trail paved highway over the Blue mountains. Congressman Hawley visited with the president a day before his own departure for home, and talked over this Oregon visit, along with other business.

World Court to Fore
 It is Mr. Hawley's opinion that the president will speak on the world court at various points in the west. The general impression in Washington is that something of the kind must be adopted, though until a concrete bill is drawn and brought up for debate no one could not do much more than approve the idea. It will come up for a definite hearing next winter.

Mr. Hawley says that business conditions generally are better in the east than for a long time past. There is less unemployment, less uncertainty in business affairs. The factory output is not always larger than it was before the war, but the net result of all business in an increased production, per capita as well as in totals. He can not see a possibility of a return to the low prices for either labor or products that prevailed before the war.

Transportation Problem
 "The most active element in business discontent and unprosperity is the shortage of transportation," says Mr. Hawley. "With the volume of railroad traffic doubling every 12 years, the railroads have not kept pace with this demand, so there is an enormous shortage of shipping facilities. The stage and truck competition that unsettles general railroad conditions, has never come up in congress, as most of (Continued on Page 3)

MURDERED POLICEMAN'S BODY FOUND

Remnants of Clothing at Foot of Fallen Tree Lead to Finding of Body

CLEVELAND, O., May 14.—A makeshift grave, a shallow, two-foot hollow at the roots of a fallen tree between the ashes of three bouffes in which the charred remains of Patrolman Dennis Griffin's clothing were found near Chargin Falls, east of here, today gave up the body of the murdered policeman, who has been missing since early Friday morning.

A warrant was issued today formally charging Whitfield with murder. The hunt for Whitfield is on throughout the nation. Posters bearing his description have been sent to every police chief in the country, but no trace of him has been found since 4 p. m. Friday.

Griffin arrested Whitfield as the alleged leader of a band of automobile accessory thieves at Whitfield's home early Friday morning. Whitfield went into the house to change his clothes and while there, according to his wife, slipped a revolver into his pocket. Griffin searched him before permitting him to go into the house, but not after. The last seen of Griffin alive was when he and Whitfield left the latter's home in Whitfield's automobile for the police station.

THREATEN DEATH TO CAPTIVES

SHANGHAI, May 15.—(By Associated Press)—Unless the foreign diplomatic representatives in China guarantee by tonight that the Chinese government will carry out all the terms fixed by the Chinese bandits in the Shantung hills, the foreigners held captive will all be killed, Father William Lenfers, an aged priest, who conferred with the bandit's chieftain Sunday, reported to the American consul at Lincheng, today.

Father Lenfers described the chieftain, called Wang, as "a young man, clean, well dressed, wearing eye glasses." The priest persuaded Wang to extend for one day the limit to his ultimatum, which has been fixed at two days from Sunday. Wang told him that the pledges of Chinese officials meant nothing to the bandits, and hence the word of the foreign diplomats must be given.

William Cherrington Dead; Funeral Will Be Wednesday

The funeral of William Cherrington, who died early Monday will be held Wednesday at 2:30 from Rigdon's chapel. Rev. Blaine E. Kirkpatrick of the First Methodist church will be in charge.

Mr. Cherrington, who has been ill for several weeks, died early yesterday at the family home, 987 South High street. He had been a resident of Salem since 1890 and was for many years in the music business here and was active head of the firm until two years ago. He was born February 9, 1850, in Ohio, and was more than 73 years old at the time of his death. He was a member of the Salem lodge No. 4 of the A. F. and A. M.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lena Cherrington and four children, Edward W., John S., and George A. Cherrington, all of Salem; a brother, Thomas J. Cherrington of Dallas, and two sisters, Molly Martin and Lou Holliday, both of whom live in Ohio.

MAD TORRENTS FOLLOWED BY FLAMES BRING DEATH AND DISASTER TO MANY

MANY WOBBLIES PLACED IN JAIL

One Hundred IWW Fail to Obey Police and Are Put in Stockade

LOS ANGELES, May 14.—More than 100 alleged members of the Industrial Workers of the World were brought from San Pedro late this afternoon and placed in a stockade at the Lincoln Heights police station pending a hearing on charges of criminal syndicalism.

According to the police several score more IWW were to be added to the number unless bail was secured for them. Bonds for a large number of accused IWW were furnished at San Pedro.

The accused were arrested when 400 Los Angeles police ordered the dispersal of 1900 men taking part in a parade in support of the Marine Transport Workers' union strike at San Pedro. Most of the paraders dropped out when the police order came, but a number variously estimated at from 200 to 400 stayed in the streets. They were surrounded by the police, marched to the San Pedro police station, after which the transporting to Los Angeles was begun.

Valley Oil Company Answers Mr. Jelderks

An answer to the complaint of B. Jelderks against the Willamette Valley Oil company was filed in the circuit court yesterday.

According to the defendants the plaintiff on August 10, 1922, agreed that in consideration of work performed by him 5000 shares of stock in the Willamette Valley Oil company might be assigned a trustee to be disposed of by him the proceeds to be applied on payment of claims due the plaintiff. The plaintiff is said to have entered into a written release of the obligation under these terms.

After that time the plaintiff continued to perform services for the defendant, the answer alleges the duration of time being from August, 1922, to March, 1923, at \$5 a day. The sum of \$345 was finally due it is asserted of which \$200 was paid, leaving an unpaid balance of \$145.

PIONEER SALOONMAN DIES AT HOSPITAL FOLLOWING SCUFFLE

Following an altercation and scuffle with another inmate of the state hospital for the insane last night, C. N. (Nap) Lake, pioneer saloonman of Salem, suddenly died at the hospital. There were no bruises on the body and it was believed his death was caused by dilation of the heart. Dr. R. E. L. Steiner, however, asked for an investigation by Coroner Rigdon. The coroner said last night there would be no inquest, but that a post-mortem examination would be made today.

Lake's death occurred about 8 o'clock. He and Fred Reno, the other patient involved, were roommates on ward No. 5. They were separated by other inmates before the arrival of an attendant. Lake was 67 years old and Reno is about 45.

Lake lived in Salem at least 40 years, and at one time operated a saloon at State and Commercial streets, where the Smith cigar store is now located. In later years he moved to Portland and was committed to the state hospital from Multnomah county in October, 1921. His widow is a resident of Portland.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., May 11.—Hot Springs, city of many disasters was stricken tonight as never before when water and flames united in a general devastation that left death and disaster in its wake.

How many are dead is not known. Waters in torrents, raging like mad, split the city into three sections. Flames followed in the path of the flood and at nightfall, water covered all sections before a summary could be made.

The flood originated in the upper basin of the mountains north of Hot Springs from a veritable cloudburst. About 4:30 o'clock after terrific rains for about 18 hours there came a slight flow of water down through Central avenue from its junction with Whittington Park at the north end of the valley. When the water began to make its appearance there was little alarm, but in a few minutes the water began to race down the valley.

TEXARKANA, Tex., May 15.—The Missouri Pacific operator here reports that the Gordon, Arkansas operator states that one one-half miles of Missouri Pacific track has been washed out immediately south of Benton, Ark., and that train No. 3 is standing at Benton unable to proceed. All telephone wires from this point to Arkansas are down.

MANY REPORTED DEAD MUSKOGEE, Okla., May 14.—Seventeen persons were drowned in a cloudburst and tornado at Hot Springs, Ark., tonight, a telephone exchange man at Little Rock, Ark., told a local telephone operator by long distance tonight. The word was carried by automobile from Hot Springs.

SHAWNEE, Okla., May 14.—A Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad operator at Wator, Okla., reported to the local railroad officers that the death toll in the Hot Springs flood and fire tonight had reached 50, he had learned. Hot Springs lies at the foot of and between two mountains in such a way that its principal streets form a natural stream bed for any torrent originating on either slope. Heavy rains always result in water entering lower floors of dwellings and stores in the central part of the city.

Manager Baxter later announced that he had notified Henry M. (Continued on page 6)

PLAYWRIGHT BETTER
NEW YORK, May 14.—Montague Glass, author and playwright, was reported tonight as slightly improved and to have a "fighting chance for life," at Roosevelt hospital, where yesterday he underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Watch for Friday Bargain Page
 There'll be something there for you. Perhaps just the thing you need most.

The Oregon Statesman Friday Morning

WANT TO SELL A CAR?
 Try a Statesman

Want Ad
 The Results Will Surprise You

Below is one of the Want Ads, appearing in today's Statesman Classified Column.

One a Day. Will it be Yours Tomorrow?

A GOOD OLD FORD TOURING, in fine shape, good rubber; just the car is for fishing. Bert L. Jones.