

SEVENTY-THIRD YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, SUNDAY MORNING, MAY 27, 1923

PRICE FIVE CENTS

## BIG AGREEMENT IS SIGNED UP BY BOOSTERS

### Growers Determined That Loganberries Shall Not Be Sold at Less Than Five Cents This Season

## IMPETUS IS GIVEN PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN

### Organization Committee of Five Producers of County Is Appointed

As far as known, no loganberries have been sold in the Willamette valley this year for less than the general price agreement of 5 cents a pound fixed through the Oregon Loganberry Growers Co-operative Exchange association. Much of the tonnage was held under the "gentlemen's agreement" of the early, loose association, and many critics said they would never stick. But they have, down to the last berry, and it promises to be 5 cents all the season, or nothing.

## Big Agreement Signs Up

At a big growers' meeting held at the Chamber of Commerce Saturday afternoon, a larger number of growers attended than at any other similar meeting in the history of the industry. A definite program and contract were presented, and several hundred acres of berries were signed up to be governed by the association rules. A straight marketing organization is proposed. It does not plan actually to handle or process the berries. It will sell fruit in any and every kind of market, however—fresh fruit, evaporated fruit, fruit for canning or fruit for juice, and it will advertise the loganberry in every possible or probable market, the growers contracting to pay one-tenth of a cent a pound for the advertising fund.

## Packers Reluctant

At an informal meeting with Salem canners Friday evening, practically every local cannery being represented, the packers did not warm up to the proposal to stand part of the expense for an advertising campaign. Only one company, the King's Products company, expressed its readiness, off hand, to make such an agreement. The growers, however, will not waver in their belief that a wider market must be secured, and they will tax themselves to find this.

The organization contract follows some of the same lines as the Oregon Growers' contract, save that it is not a manufacturing corporation in the remotest sense. An organization committee was named. J. S. Marshall, O. J. Vincent, A. M. Chapman, H. E. Mumford and Dan Murphy, all of Marion county, to sign up growers for the big organization.

## JOE JACKSON MAKES ESCAPE

### Convict Hides in Wagonload of Flax and Is Hauled Out of Yards

Joe Jackson, serving on a 12-year sentence for assault and robbery committed in Lane county, escaped from the state penitentiary yesterday by hiding in a wagonload of waste flax fiber. When the wagon drove out of the prison yard Jackson went with it. Guards are on his trail. He had served three years.

### THE WEATHER

OREGON — Clearing, westerly winds.

#### LOCAL WEATHER (Saturday)

Maximum	55
Minimum	48
River, stationary	2.2
Rainfall	1.9
Atmosphere	Cloudy
Wind	South

## BOYS WADING IN RESERVOIR ARE DROWNED

### Heroic Rescue Attempted By Young Swimmer But Weight of Bodies Too Much

BILLINGS, Mont., May 26.—Despite heroic efforts on the part of George Matheson, 11 to save the lives of two of his companions, Francis Cline, aged 8 and Wayne Meisner, 9, the two boys were drowned in an irrigation reservoir about six miles north of Billings this afternoon.

The boys had been wading when they stepped into the water about 40 feet deep. Young Matheson dived in when he observed their peril but their combined weight was too great and he barely escaped drowning himself. All the youths reside here. The bodies were recovered.

## WAR IN EAST IS AVERTED

### Pasha and Venizelos Shake Hands and Come to Terms; Session Dramatic

LAUSANNE, May 26.—(By The Associated Press.)—Peace instead of war in the Near East was the welcome result of a dramatic session of the Lausanne conference held today at Quilly Chateau to settle the Turco-Greek reparations controversy. Complete agreement was reached, and as this was the only remaining problem between the Greeks and the Turks, hostilities which it was feared might involve the Balkan countries, have been averted.

The United States, through Joseph C. Grew, the minister to Switzerland, played an important part in the settlement. Mr. Grew's efforts for peace which continued throughout the night and today are regarded by the conference delegates as having helped considerably in preparing the way for the agreement the European powers have been seeking for a fortnight.

## Greece Owes Indemnity

The essential points in today's agreement are: Greece admits that she owes indemnity to Turkey, while Turkey renounces enforcement of payments; the two powers agree to rectification of the boundary between Eastern and western Thrace and to the restoration of ships seized from one another since the armistice; the Turks agree to waive indemnity in view of Greece's precarious financial condition and Greece consents to the cession to Turkey of Karagatch and the railroad from Karagatch to the Bulgarian frontier.

## Delegates Shake Hands

The meeting today began in the same atmosphere as attended the collapse of the previous conference February 4. The principal delegates, notable Sir

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## HARDING MAY SAIL FROM PORTLAND

### Telegram to McNary Indicates President May Follow Original Plan

United States Senator Charles L. McNary yesterday received a telegram from George B. Christian, Jr., private secretary to President Harding, indicating that the president may adhere to his originally announced plan to sail from Portland, Or., on July 5 for Alaska, instead of sailing from Seattle.

Some time ago it was announced that the president would speak in Portland on July 4, and sail from there for Alaska the following day. Later it was reported that he would go from Portland to Seattle and sail from that port, also returning to Seattle after the Alaska visit.

Senator McNary, after returning to Oregon a few days ago, took up the matter with the president by telegraph, and the reply received yesterday states that arrangements are still indefinite, but that there are indications that the president will sail from Portland. Senator McNary is endeavoring to have the president stop in Salem for an address.

## BRIGANDS IN FIGHT WITH GOVERNMENT

### Net Drawn By Tien's Troops Grows Tighter and Fatalities Already Reported Among Soldiers

## CONQUEST MAY ENHANCE PRISONERS' LIVES, SAY

### Politics and Not Banditry Held to Have Been Behind Train Hold-up

PEKING, May 26.—(By The Associated Press.)—Machine guns and rifles tonight are attempting to force the release of 14 foreigners, including six Americans, held by Chinese bandits in the hills above Lincheng. For three weeks crowds of official negotiators have labored in vain to free the captives who were kidnaped from the Shanghai-Peking express May 6.

Now the mountain paths of the home district of Confucius, China's greatest sage, that for days has been filled with runners carrying terms back and forth between Paotsuku fortress and the negotiators below are being put to other uses.

Old Tien Chung-Yu, Tachun or military governor of Shan-tung, is having his way and three brigades of his troops, with machine guns and two scouting airplanes, have plunged into the hill defiles to "dig the bandits out."

Already the soldiers have had two brushes with the outlaws, with fatalities on both sides.

Hold is Tightening. General Tien has thrown his troops in a wide circle about the bandit hotbed and he is gradually tightening his strangle hold, cutting the outlaws' communications and hoping finally to isolate the gang that is holding the 14 foreigners.

Far above the clouds in the mountain prison, a crisis is believed to be approaching. The outlaws are said to be eager to make terms, but they fear the promises of Peking. Also, they know General Tien, who has a reputation for separating the heads of brigands from their bodies.

In what they declare is a final effort to come to an agreement, the brigands yesterday sent out a spokesman, accompanied by J. B. Powell, of Shanghai, one of the American prisoners. Hitherto, all overtures have failed owing to the kidnapers' demand that any agreement with the Chinese officials must have an official foreign guarantor.

The captives themselves are reported to be generally in good health, except the Italian millionaire attorney, G. D. Musso, who is suffering from an injured leg. Their clothing is poor, living conditions in their prison are bad and food is none too plentiful, but in spite of all, they are said to be standing the strain well.

## Politics Behind Holdup

Behind the Chinese lines at Tsoo Chwang is a military commission of foreign officers, headed by Brigadier General William D. Connor of the American army which is investigating measures being taken by the Chinese government for the release of the prisoners.

The movement of troops toward the outlaws' retreat followed on the heels of statements in diplomatic circles that it had been definitely established that hostilities were not ordinary banditry was behind the holdup of the express near Suchow three weeks ago. It was freely intimated that one political faction, hoping to embarrass another, had instigated the raid. It was hinted further that the diplomatic corps was considering taking steps to solve the real and personal property of certain high official plotters in an effort to force action out of the Peking government.

As a foreign military drive on the outlaw stronghold, it is generally believed in Peking and Tientsin, a belief which the captives themselves have expressed, that such action would enhance the danger of the prisoners' death at the hands of their captors.

Tension Less Now. Moreover, foreign quarters at Tientsin point out that there

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## WHERE 73 PERSONS, 41 CHILDREN, PERISHED IN FIRE PANIC



Ruins of the school house at Cleveland, S. C., in which seventy-three persons died when a lamp fell on the stage during the presentation of a school play, causing a stampede and the death of men, women and children, in some cases obliterating entire families.

## GREAT DRATORIO WELL PRESENTED

### Salem and Monmouth Singers Score Triumphs—Soloists Delight Through

Like the villagers of yore, Salem folk gathered last night to hear "it's own" sing the story written by the master musician, Haydn. Once again men and women, mostly women, joined their voices in telling the story of the year—the opening buds, the sunshine, ripening grains and fruits, the harvest time and the year's setting sun—Haydn's "The Seasons."

The few men in the nearly 400 singers were almost lost. Those who were there were mostly from the membership of the Apollo club and while few in numbers brought to the chorus the weight of experience. The Monmouth chorus, nearly 150 strong, boasted of four men's voices. With their director, Miss Helen I. Moore, the visitors were introduced at the beginning of the program.

The oratorio was beautifully presented and the chorus, orchestra and Director John R. Sites worked in apparent perfect harmony, while the soloists won repeated applause from the audience in the crowded armory. Mrs. Jane Burns Albert, singing in splendid voice, charmed anew her many admirers. Her voice was a delight in the solo and duet numbers and bell-like in its clarity for the recitative numbers.

McMillan Muir, baritone soloist, made a decided hit with the audience, who recalled him several times. His voice is smooth and full and he sings easily. He is not so well known in Salem as Mrs. Albert and John Clare Monmouth, but his singing won him a place with all who heard him. Mr. Monteith, singing in his old form, delighted all. He did especially good work in the recitative numbers.

The work of the chorus is considered especially remarkable since the two choruses, Salem and Monmouth, practiced together only once, Friday, and yet gave a remarkable display of team work last night. Miss Ruth Bedford was accompanist for the chorus and soloists, and the Salem Symphony orchestra did splendid work with the chorus numbers. Dr. John R. Sites directed the chorus in his characteristic masterful way.

The presentation of this oratorio completes the second annual May festival in Salem. A group of prominent Salem men and women last year laid the foundation on which the work has been carried on. To bring to Salem the best in music was the expressed wish of the committee. "The Creation" and "The Seasons," two of the biggest oratorios of all time, are the result of its efforts. Among the women who have given more than the usual amount of time are Mrs. Lawrence T. Harris, Mrs. W. Carlton Smith, Mrs. E. E. Fisher, Mrs. Frank Zinn and Miss Elizabeth Putnam.

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## MALONE APPOINTED ROAD COMMISSIONER BY GOVERNOR PIERCE

Wade H. Malone of Corvallis was yesterday appointed by Governor Pierce as a member of the state highway commission to succeed R. A. Booth of Eugene, who resigns. Mr. Malone will assume the duties of the office Monday at a meeting of the highway commission in Portland. He was formerly Benton county judge and is considered a practical road man. He is a Democrat.

## FIVE SPECIAL TRAINS GOING

### Complete Arrangements For Transporting National Guard to Camp

Five special trains will take the Oregon national guard to camps of field instruction the last half of June, according to detailed schedules for the movement issued by George A. White, adjutant general of the state.

The schedules, made up under special authority of the quartermaster general of the army, show in detail the rail movement of every unit and provide sleeping car trains for use of citizen-soldiers who have to travel over night in order to reach camps.

## Sleepers From South

National guard units from southern Oregon points, except coast artillery, will come north to Portland on sleepers attached to regular trains and on arrival Portland will join with Willamette valley organizations in special trains that will run from the Union depot to Camp Lewis. Troops that will come north the night of June 15 include infantry units from Medford, Roseburg Cottage Grove and Eugene. Several Willamette valley units will move to Portland the late afternoon of June 15 and spend the night in the Multnomah county armory. These units are those from Corvallis, Dallas and McMinnville.

## Stop at Ashland

The coast artillery battalion will have its own special train on the movement south to Fort Barry. The coast artillery organizations from Salem, Albany, Newport, Toledo and Marshfield will move south on sleepers attached to regular trains and will be consolidated into a special train at Ashland where the battalion will spend the day of June 13 attending a big celebration that is being staged in Ashland. The artillery will leave Ashland on its own train at 5:15 p. m. of June 13 with the right of way south.

## Move North June 16

Movement of guardsmen north

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## HANEY IS NAMED ON SHIP BOARD

### Attended College in Salem—Wife Daughter of Late W. H. Holmes

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Bert E. Haney, of Portland, Ore., was appointed by President Harding today to be a member of the shipping board. He will succeed former Senator Chamberlain, of the same state, who recently resigned, effective June 30.

Bert E. Haney is a prominent Portland attorney and former United States district attorney for Oregon.

The appointment of Haney followed the united appeal of both Democratic and Republican leaders in the state, coupled with the recommendations of commercial and shipping interests and civic organizations.

## Haney is a Democrat

Haney is a native of Oregon and was born at Lafayette, Yamhill county, April 10, 1879. He attended Willamette university for three years and for the next three years taught school in Willamette valley districts.

In September, 1901, he entered the law school of the University of Oregon, then located in Portland, and in 1903 was admitted to the Oregon bar.

In June, 1904, then District Attorney John Manning named Haney a deputy district attorney for Multnomah county and it was in this office that he first attracted state wide attention as a lawyer, when he successfully defended the minimum wage and child welfare laws against attack in the local courts.

In 1908 Haney formed a partnership with George W. Joseph which continued for ten years.

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## SALEM HIGH MASON LAYS CORNERSTONE

### Geo. G. Brown, Grand Master, Lays Stone for New Hospital in Portland

PORTLAND, Or., May 26.—Amid a vast throng of Masons, many in uniforms of high degree, George G. Brown, grand master of Oregon, this afternoon laid the corner stone of the hospital for crippled children, being erected here by the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

The chief address was delivered by Bishop Frederick W. Keator of Tacoma, Wash., a member of the national board in charge of Shrine hospitals. He was one of the trustees who selected the Portland site and he has been a member of the national board ever since the hospital movement had its beginning in Portland during the 1920 session of the Mystic Shrine Imperial council.

## BREAK GROUND FOR NEW GYM NEXT TUESDAY

### Start on Construction of New Athletic Building at Willamette to Be Accompanied By Ceremony

## COST OF BUILDING TO BE ABOUT \$75,000

### Early Beginning Assures Completion By Opening of Coming Year

Work will actually begin on the new Willamette gymnasium Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, when the breaking of the first ground will be turned into a memorable ceremony.

The full contract is not yet actually let. However, enough is known from the building committee meeting in Portland Saturday, about just what the contract conditions will be, that President Doney announces the starting of work with definite assurance that there will be no let-up until the building is completed.

Special Bids Asked. Separate bids were called for, to cover various specialties: lighting, heating, plumbing, painting, and other items. The best of these are to be assembled Monday and definitely let. The main building, without the swimming pool, is to cost about \$60,000, according to the best revised figures turned in on Saturday. The heating and other work will cost about \$15,000.

It might be possible that the board will employ a competent engineer—and be its own contractor. It has been believed that this could be done with a saving of several thousand dollars, though it is not yet demonstrated that such a saving could be made, and the matter is not definitely decided.

## Bigger Than Latusane

The new Willamette gymnasium will be an important building. Latusane hall looks like a big structure, but a new gymnasium will be 50 per cent larger. It will have a frontage of 130 feet, and a depth of 104 feet. The gymnasium floor will be 114 by 74 feet in the clear, with a gallery on one side and a seating capacity of 1500 or more for basketball games.

One of the reductions from the first bid price comes through the substitution of wooden for steel foot construction. This reduces the cost about \$3,000, and the efficiency has not at all. Some other details of construction have been revised, but the building loses nothing of its size or quality or conveniences.

## Operation Certain

It is definitely assured through President Doney that the contract-making will be completed so that the dedicatory work of ground-breaking can begin Tuesday at 4 o'clock.

The structure should be completed by the opening of the opening of the next college year in the fall.

## CITIZENSHIP REFUSED

SPOKANE, Wash., May 26.—Federal Judge J. Stanley Webster refused citizenship to Chris Johnson here today on the showing that he recently was convicted of bootlegging by the federal courts and also had been divorced by his wife for cruelty.

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