

# PROHIBITION REPEAL AWAITED

## PRESIDENTIAL PARTY RAIDED BY CHILDREN

Serenade Turns into Wild Scramble When 8000 Youngsters Rush for Mr. and Mrs. Harding

## MARINE CORPS UNABLE TO WITHSTAND CHARGE

Heroes of Belleu Woods Helpless; Kiddies Hurt Flower "Bombs"

WASHINGTON, May 31.—(By The Associated Press.)—Eight thousand school children gathered in American league park today to serenade President and Mrs. Harding as a feature of Washington's music week, broke away from their teachers and through a marine guard before the program was ended and rushing good naturedly but wildly across the field, laid down a barrage of flowers on the presidential party.

What had started as a quiet serenade was turned into a wild rush of eager children when each anxious to present a bouquet to either the president or Mrs. Harding, took the short course of hurling the flowers at them. The president and his wife were compelled to ward off the rain of blossoms.

Massed for Serenade  
The children had been massed for the serenade in the right center, and left field bleachers of the ball park. Parents and others interested in music week festivities were in this grand stand. President and Mrs. Harding occupied a small improvised stand near the center of the field.

Most of the program had gone off as scheduled. Then came a number designated on the program as "the president's surprise." It proved to be a drill by several hundred tons of kindergarten age, who after completing their exercises, gathered around the presidential stand and seated themselves on the grass. The president spoke and shook hands with a number of them as preparations were being made for the next number.

Many are Jealous  
Though 1 of the little ones basking in the presidential favor was too much for the other children and with a wild whoop they rushed from the bleachers to the field. Marines from the barracks here had been stationed before the stands all daylong when they stopped the Germans at Belleu Wood, they found themselves helpless when charged by thousands of rushing children.

They attempted to hold the boys and girls back but the youngsters slipped through their legs, ducking under their outstretched arms, dodging around them and left them standing guard over empty bleachers.

The children seemed to have only two purposes. One was to get as near the president as possible and the other was to give him their flowers. They were able to do both, crowding up to the presidential stand until both the president and Mrs. Harding feared for the safety of the little ones in the crush.

Flowers Fly Fast  
Then a boy in the rear, concluding that it was hopeless for him to try to hand his flowers to the president, let go with a big bunch of daisies which sailed over the crowd and landed on the president's shoulders. That gave the others the idea they needed and soon the air was filled with

## GREELEY PREDICTS NORTHWEST LUMBER WILL GAIN TENFOLD

EUGENE, Ore., May 31.—Colonel William B. Greeley, chief forester of the United States, here today predicted that the lumber business in Oregon and Washington will be ten times as great in ten years from now than at present, due to the rapidly diminishing timber in the east and middle west. The chief forester is on a tour of the national forests of the coast. He went to Oakridge today to inspect a tract of 685,000,000 feet of fir timber which the forest service is offering for sale.

## ASTORIA SUIT OUT OF COURT

Judge Bingham Dismisses Suit Seeking to Restrain Payment of Fund

Judge George G. Bingham of the circuit court for Marion county today signed an order dismissing the action brought by S. R. Dieffendorf of Portland to restrain the state from remitting to the city of Astoria its state taxes as a fire relief measure. Sam A. Koser, secretary of state, and O. F. Hoff, state treasurer, were made defendants in the suit which specifically sought to prevent Koser from signing a warrant and Hoff from paying the city's first half of state taxes for this year, amounting to about \$38,500.

As relief to Astoria because of the fire last winter that did damage amounting to \$10,000,000, the legislature appropriated a sum equal to the city's state taxes covering a period of seven years, amounting to an estimated half million dollars.

In bringing the suit against the state officials, Dieffendorf, a Portland man acting in the capacity of a taxpayer, alleged that the money was not to be used, as represented, to restore public property, but to improve streets that primarily would benefit private property.

## TEN ARE KILLED IN RELIGIOUS RIOT

Federal Troops Sent to Durango, Mexico, to Prevent Outbursts

MEXICO CITY, May 31.—(By The Associated Press.)—Ten persons were killed and 17 were wounded in a religious riot at Durango City this evening when a mob attacked the provincial palace and started to disarm the mounted police, according to special dispatches to the newspaper Excelsior. The later opened fire.

Federal troops are being concentrated in Durango for the purpose of preventing further disorders. All places of amusement have been closed and soldiers are patrolling the streets.

## JURY AT ALBANY CHARGES MURDER

Slayers of Sheriff Dunlap Indicted at Special Session Thursday

ALBANY, Ore., May 31.—Geo. Gilmore, alias George Parker and Rulie Johnson alias Art Beckley were indicted today by a special grand jury charged with first degree murder and also of larceny. The murder charge was returned because of Sheriff Dunlap's death following the shooting in which these two men are alleged to have opposed the sheriff and Deputy Sheriff Lillard, who later captured the two men single handed and the larceny charge was returned because of the theft of an automobile.

## FLAG IS NOT TO BE USED AS SCARECROW

Local Legion Committee Visits Farmer Who Hoists Emblem in Berry Patch

Even though a man may be ignorant as to the proper use of the American flag, he should not be permitted to employ it as a scarecrow. This is the opinion of the Salem post, American Legion. Upon complaint that a man near the city was using the flag as a scarecrow to frighten away birds that were eating his strawberries, several local legionnaires paid a visit to the scene.

## SALEM STUDENTS AMONG GRADUATES

Large Number From Here Included in Large Class at State College

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Or., May 31.—Among the 522 men and women who will receive their degrees from the college Monday are a number from Salem and other points in Marion county. Those from here who will be graduated in commerce are Carrel Campbell and Hilbert Tasto; agriculture, Royal Emmal, Ronald Hogg, Herbert Michelbrook, Alonzo Patchin all of Salem and Cecil Scollard, Woodburn.

## PIERCE REMOVES ENTIRE BOARD

Chiropractic Examiners Changed—Ellsworth of Pendleton Restored

Governor Pierce yesterday removed the entire state board of chiropractic examiners and appointed new members. He restores to office Dr. R. C. Ellsworth of Pendleton, who was removed by former Governor Olcott because of Ellsworth's alleged activities with the Ku Klux Klan. The member removed to give place to Ellsworth is Dr. D. T. Brown of The Dalles, whose term would not have expired until June 3, 1924.

Dr. C. A. Johns of Albany is appointed to succeed Dr. W. G. Hoffmann of McMinnville, and Dr. F. T. Notz of Portland is named to succeed Dr. George Hoeye of Oregon City. The latter is not effective until June 3, Hoeye being allowed to serve out his term.

Governor Pierce also removed Dr. John Besson, formerly of Portland, now of Bend, as a member of the state board of medical examiners, and appointed in his place Dr. Arthur N. Canfield of Portland. Besson's term would not have expired until February 23, 1924.

When asked about the changes on the chiropractic and medical boards, Governor Pierce said relative to restoring the man former Governor Olcott fired. Concerning the other two, the governor said he had his reasons, but declined to state what they were. The removal of Besson from the board of medical examiners, the governor said, was due to a recent disturbance among the medical fraternity at Bend. Pierce said all the appointees named today are Republicans.

## MAN BREAKS NECK WHILE WRESTLING

City Attorney of Astoria Lies Paralyzed in Portland Hospital

PORTLAND, Ore., May 31.—Joseph Mannik, city attorney of Astoria, Ore., who is at a Portland hospital suffering from injuries received Tuesday in a friendly wrestling match with Leif Carlson, former chief of police of Astoria, at Carlson's home here, is paralyzed from head to foot, according to a statement at the hospital today. An X-ray examination revealed that the neck was broken in two places and ligaments were torn from the spinal column.

## BOND HOUSE WILL CLOSE ITS DOORS

Manager of Morris Brothers Says Affairs Will Be Liquidated Soon

PORTLAND, Ore., May 31.—John L. Etheridge, manager of Morris Brothers Corporation who succeeded the firm of Morris Brothers after its failure three years ago, announced tonight that the affairs of the concern will be liquidated and the house closed. He estimated the remaining assets of the firm at \$150,000 to \$200,000.

Etheridge was placed in charge of the re-opened house following a reorganization by the preferred stockholders. Under his management more than \$1,000,000 has been paid to creditors, it was said. Etheridge was recently acquitted on trial of a charge of embezzlement of the funds of the house prior to its failure.

## ALBERT PRIZE IS AWARDED TO STUDENTS

Miss Esther Erickson, Winner at Salem High School, Overcomes Hardships of Circumstance

## GEORGE OLIVER WINS AT THE UNIVERSITY

Pomeroy, Wash., Man Is Adjudged to Have Made Notable Progress

"I never had a chance! I had to work all the time, and I couldn't get an education!"  
The coward's whim and the weeping's wail as they pass in review among the down-and-outs and the derelicts and the shiftless ones, got a death-blow in the Salem high school election for the Albert prize, Thursday, when the senior class voted the highest award to Miss Esther Erickson of Salem.

"For the highest type of development, unselfish devotion, scholarship and general moral character," the award reads.

Cares For Family  
Miss Erickson was left motherless several years ago, when she was in the seventh grade in school. There were two young children in the family, and no mother or older sister to care for them. The father is an employe in the Spaulding mills, and he is only "a man" at that; little children need mothering.

Esther has taken charge of these younger children; kept them conspicuously neat and clean, and mothered them in the way that so many real mothers never know how to do. And she has carried on her school work, too, with conspicuously high grades through practically her whole high school course. She has been shy and self-effacing, but the school found her out, and has honored itself in honoring her.

At the election held by the senior class, Thursday, she was almost the unanimous choice of the class for this noble award. It carries \$25 in cash, and a character testimony on which that beyond price. Prof. J. C. Williams wanted to award her a Williams' scholarship, but because of the family needs, she feels that she will have to stay out and work. She is a graduate of the commercial department, and some one is going to find a jewel of an office assistant. The university women have taken a deep interest in the girl, and she is likely to have her college chance a little later.

Award Made at Willamette  
The Albert prize in Willamette university, also the gift of Joseph Albert of Salem, and based on the same line of excellence—character, scholarship, high ideals—was awarded to George Oliver, a member of the junior class. Oliver was a farm boy who started in at a little country school, worked on through the Pomeroy, Wash., high school, and is now finishing his third year in Willamette. He has been earning his own way, and finding much time for various activities. He is president of the university YMCA, has played steadily on the football and baseball teams, has had charge of the extensive Christian deputation work that has been carried on in many small towns and communities within reach of Salem and has never been too busy to help in any personal or university activity.

Several to Select From  
There was a fine field of candidates, in the three names selected by the faculty to be voted on by the students; but Oliver's votes were the more numerous, and he is awarded the honor. Mr. Oliver is majoring in history, and taking a specially heavy course in social science, with the YMCA work as a probable life objective.

Oregon City Girl Wins  
Miss Olga Samuelson of Oregon City won the Joseph H. Albert prize at Oregon Agricultural college. Miss Samuelson is a senior and has done what is ranked as a hard task that came just as

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## SMUGGLERS ALONG RHINE USING RAFTS

Seek to Avoid Export Tax on Goods; One Killed When Soldiers Fire in Flight

MANNHEIM, May 31.—(By the Associated Press.)—Smugglers along the Rhine are resorting to the use of rafts in trying to avoid the Franco-Belgian 10 per cent export tax on goods going out of Germany.

This fact was revealed today in a dispatch from Rothenheim which said a party of citizens of Rothenheim were surprised Wednesday night while attempting to take goods across the river from the Palatinates.

Soldiers opened fire when the smugglers tried to flee, and two of the smugglers were wounded. One of them has since died.

## DR. STEINER DEMANDS PROBE

Letters Written Him By Slaughter Are Placed Before Grand Jury

A series of letters written to Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner by Dr. A. Slaughter of Salem, containing what amount to charges and insinuations relative to Dr. Steiner and his management of the state hospital for the insane, have been placed before the Marion county grand jury by Steiner, with the request that an investigation be made.

The last of the letters written by Slaughter is said to contain a long list of questions which he insists that Steiner answer. Slaughter avers in the letter that three packing cases were removed from Dr. Steiner's residence at 9:45 o'clock on the night of March 27 and asks that Steiner tell what was in them and why they were taken away at that hour of the night.

Another question is whether Steiner allowed some tomatoes to rot at the state hospital, and asks further whether Steiner entered into an illegal contract with the state.

Another question is whether Steiner sold vegetables to the state hospital and received pay for them, asking particularly if the same kind of vegetables from the same field were sold at different prices.

Slaughter also alludes to the Steiner cottage at Neskevin and wants to know if it was built with material belonging to the state. Also he asks if it was built by state employes who were on the state payroll, whether it was painted by hospital painters and whether these painters painted another cottage near Steiner's.

Another question is whether a foam of horses belonging to the state was lost while hauling material to the Steiner cottage.

Members of the grand jury which convened yesterday, are Cecil R. Sischo, Mrs. Eva Keene, John W. Hunt, G. N. Ireland, Alice Budlong, Mary E. McKinney and Ida M. Keene.

## JERSEY JUBILEE COMES TO CLOSE

Fifteen Hundred People Present at Barbecue Dinner at Marion

Fifteen hundred people or more attended the great barbecue dinner of the Oregon Jersey Jubilee at Marion, Thursday noon. They ate 800 pounds of the finest barbecue meat ever served to such a hungry crowd. It was prepared by A. C. Bohrnstedt of Salem, who volunteered to do it for the Jerseymen and for the general public, and from the report of those who came home with belts let out about three extra holes, it was a huge success.

The Marion-Polk Realtors made and served the coffee, which along with the Bohrnstedt barbecue was made the subject of a special resolution of thanks by the Jersey breeders.

## NEW YORK GOVERNOR FAILS TO ENLIGHTEN EITHER OF FACTIONS

"Will He Sign or Veto?" Question Asked by Supporters and Opponents as Smith Walks Away After Listening To Flood of Oratory Lasting Four and One-Half Hours' Speakers Denounce Volstead Act

ALBANY, N. Y., May 31.—(By Associated Press.)—Governor Smith today listened, inscrutable of feature, but attentive, to a flood of oratory for and against his signing of the legislative repeal of the Mulvan-Gage state prohibition enforcement act for four hours and thirty-four minutes, with one five-minute interlude, speakers in turn presented their arguments. When both sides had talked their fill, and weighted him down with briefs, the governor walked silently from the room without having betrayed a gesture or a word, the answer to the momentous question:

"Will he sign or veto?"

His decision will be announced some time between tonight and midnight Sunday, at which hour the repeal bill, if the governor does not act, will automatically die.

The great importance of the decision he is to make was driven home by speakers for both sides with all the fervor and earnestness at their command.

The principal arguments of the enemies of the repeal, who numbered in all about 30 speakers, were that to sign the measure would be to turn loose on the state a rapacious gang of bootleggers, bandits and crooks of every description; to nullify the 18th amendment; to "secede" from the union and to deprive the federal government of the most powerful instrument now being used to enforce prohibition.

Arguments advanced of the proponents of repeal whose speaking strength about matched that of the opponents, were that the Mulvan-Gage act ought to be repealed because it subjected persons accused of violating the dry law to "double jeopardy" in the courts; that it was exclusively the government's function to enforce prohibition and that shouldering part of the burden of the government entailed a necessary and useless expense.

Several of the pro-repeal speakers even denounced the Volstead act and the 18th amendment as iniquitous and subversive of state rights, urging the governor to approve the repeal as the first step in a campaign to wipe the federal enforcement law and the amendment off the books.

## GORMAN BATTLES TEN ROUND BOUT

PORTLAND, May 31.—Joe Gorman of Portland and Bud Ridley of Seattle fought 10 rounds to a draw here tonight. Ridley had Gorman on the canvas for the count of nine in the third round. Otherwise the bout appeared to be about even. Gorman weighed 129 and Ridley 125 pounds.

Frankie Grandetta took a six-round decision from Abraham Gorman, the boys fighting as flyweights. This was a hard-fought contest from first to last, with Grandetta having the best of it throughout.

## TRAINING SCHOOL BAND MAKES GOOD

Concert Given for Enjoyment of Patients at Tuberculosis Hospital

The Progressive Business club of Portland presented the Orestate training school with 23 band instruments the first of the year, and the boys are doing wonderfully for the short length of time they have been practicing. Assistant Company Commander Hill, their band instructor, is bringing the boys around in fine shape. They made their appearance for the first time at the state tuberculosis hospital on Monday afternoon and gave the people there a short concert, which was a delightful treat, and greatly appreciated by all.

From all appearances the boys' ages seem to range between 15 and 17, although a few appear as young as 12 or 13. The boys all show great pride and zeal in the part they take in their band. The prediction is that before many months have passed, the bands in the small towns in the vicinity will set up and take notice of the little lads from the training school, who are so manfully struggling to master their instruments.

### THE WEATHER

OREGON: Cloudy and warmer Friday; moderate westerly winds.

LOCAL WEATHER (Thursday)  
Maximum temperature, 63.  
Minimum temperature, 48.  
Rainfall, .47 inch.  
River, 4.3 feet rising.  
Atmosphere, cloudy.  
Wind, south.

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