

CIRCULATION	
Average for May, 1923:	
Sunday only	6040
Daily and Sunday	5543
Average for six months ending May 31, 1923:	
Sundays only	5944
Daily and Sunday	5502

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GERMAN NOTE TURNED DOWN BY POINCARE

First Official Expression Is Given on Reparation Before Commission on Foreign Affairs

STATE-OWNED ROADS THROWN INTO BALANCE

Guarantee Is Forth Largest System in Mileage Throughout World

PARIS, June 8.—(By the Associated Press)—Premier Poincare absolutely rejected the German reparations proposals tonight in his first official expression since the receipt of the note from Berlin when he appeared before the senate commission on foreign affairs and finance to answer a long questionnaire on the operations in the Ruhr.

The premier said the French and Belgian governments had agreed not to consider any proposal from Chancellor Cuno unless it was preceded by complete and final cessation of the German passive resistance campaign. He assured the senators that the government's relations with the Belgians were satisfactory and that everything was going well in the Ruhr.

Railroads Offered
BERLIN, June 8.—(By the Associated Press)—In throwing her railroads into the balance as a reparations guarantee, Germany is offering the biggest state owned railway net in the world and one which ranks only fourth in mileage, being surpassed by the United States, Canadian-Newfoundland and British India systems. It is even said to be the greatest single economic establishment so far as operations are concerned.

Deficit Is Large
The tracks of the German railroads cover 57,545 kilometers. The federal government acquired the roads in April, 1920, by paying the various states approximately 40,000,000,000 paper marks. Financial circles credit the government with having put across a good business deal in making this purchase, although in recent years the system has been running with such a heavy deficit that the losses can scarcely be computed in paper currency.

Roads Can Pay
Experts place the present valuation of the German lines at 20,000,000 gold marks, a noteworthy national net egg which they say is capable of being developed into a much greater asset. On the basis of this valuation the raising of 500,000,000 gold marks annually on the railroads, as proposed in the German memorandum would mean an interest rate of only two per cent.

Business and traffic experts believe that much can be done to put the railways on a paying basis. The main reason for the colossal deficit, in the opinion of the experts appears to be the fact that the tariff rates lag far behind the rate of exchange.

GERVAIS GROWERS MEET ON MONDAY

Good Returns Reported for This Week, But More Acreage Is Needed

All loganberry growers of the Gervais district are urgently requested to be present at 8 p. m. Monday night at the Eldredge school house. The Loganberry Growers' Exchange organizers, who are holding a series of meetings, report good returns so far for the week; but quite an acreage is needed yet to complete the organization.

THE WEATHER

OREGON: Saturday, fair; moderate westerly winds.

LOCAL WEATHER (Friday)
Maximum temperature, 79.
Minimum temperature, 48.
River, 2.5 feet; falling.
Rainfall, none.
Atmosphere, part cloudy.
Wind, west.

EARWIGS IN BOTTLES WILL BE EXHIBITED

Direct refutation to the statement that earwigs exist in the imagination of a few and that there "ain't no such animal" was given at the police station last night when a bottle containing about 50 of the species was exhibited.

In order to capture the earwig, a trap was prepared, with molasses and bran as the bait. This was set on Liberty street, near the Mill creek district, between 8 and 10 o'clock. Positive identification

of the earwig was made by Chas. Horner, O. A. C., student on animal husbandry.

Though the earwig is considered a night pest, several specimens were located before sundown. Bottles containing earwigs will be placed in store windows in the next few days so that everyone can become familiar with the pest.

Sodium chloride, inexpensive, is said to be the best poison to use in ridding a district of the earwig.

LID IS CLAMPED DOWN ON SHELBY

Oil Town Declared to Be Closed; "Nothing Doing" to Liquor Calls

GREAT FALLS, Mont., June 8.—Shelby is a closed town.

The lid went on last Wednesday after Attorney General W. D. Rankin's announcement that the holding of the Dempsey-Gibbons heavyweight championship bout there July 4 would be jeopardized by failure on the part of officials to enforce the law relative to gambling, liquor selling and other offenses alleged to have taken place in the oil town.

These were the facts established through a personal investigation of the Great Falls Tribune correspondent, following a receipt of instructions from his newspaper to learn exact conditions leading up to the attorney general's announcement and the effect of his public statement. It is considered at Shelby that the attorney general received an exaggerated report of conditions there, but however, this may have been, there has not been a card or wheel turned since last Wednesday.

Calls for liquor at bars under suspicion prior to last Wednesday bring the same answer in every place: "Nothing doing."

SIX SPEAKERS TO TALK AT LUNCH

Albert, Hamilton, Hucklestein, Bellinger, Staley, Eastman Named

Monday noon's Chamber of Commerce luncheon is going to present a new kind of program, a kind of literary hash, or mosaic, or compendium or a synopsis or whatever it is of the scenery of the Willamette valley.

Six tried and true orators are to have five minutes apiece to tell each of his favorite camping spot near Salem. The speakers are Joseph H. Albert, W. M. Hamilton, August Hucklestein, Dr. G. C. Bellinger, W. I. Staley and Mayor L. G. Eastman of Silverton.

The bars are down and the sky is the limit for these enthusiasts, and they can swing the verbal paint brush and disinfectant and fertilizer to their heart's content—so that they do it inside of five minutes apiece.

RAILROAD TEAM COMING SUNDAY

Salem Senators Look for Fast Team in S. P. & S. Boys From Portland

The baseball club of the S. P. & S. Railroad company of Portland will be in Salem next Sunday for a game with the Salem Senators, according to announcement by manager Harry Wenderoth. The railway men are reported to have a fast club, and Manager Wenderoth, not intending to be caught napping, will have a pitcher from Corvallis, who will come to Salem with Captain "Spec" Keene. The game will begin at 3 o'clock.

FRILLS TODAY IN EDUCATION HELD USELESS

Seventh Day Adventists Will Scrap Popular System and Substitute Their Own

COLORADO SPRINGS, June 8.—Seventh Day Adventists purpose to scrap the popular system of education and establish an entirely new one of their own. Text books by "infidel and pagan" authors; caps and gowns at commencement, university degrees, classical and cultural courses deemed to have no practical value, all must go, at least so far as Seventh Day Adventist colleges and academies are concerned.

The world's education convention of the denomination in Stratton park here today took action toward this end, after hearing an address by Prof. C. W. Irwin, one of the leaders in the convention. Representatives of 40 colleges, academies and intermediateschools and nearly 1000 primary schools are attending the gathering. Professor Irwin's address was ordered printed for distribution.

CHURCH CALLS JOINT SESSION

United Brethren Denomination Meets Here for General Convention

The first annual general convention of the Christian Endeavor, Sunday school and Women's Missionary association of the United Brethren church, Pacific district, met in Salem yesterday and will be in session today and tomorrow. The place is the United Brethren church at Twelfth and Mission streets. Bishop H. C. Mason of Hillsdale, Mich., is presiding.

Registration began at 1:30 yesterday afternoon, and this was followed an hour later by a song service. Devotional notes were led by Rev. E. W. Dettweiler, and an address of welcome was given by Rev. C. S. Johnson of Salem. The response was by Delos Howard of Fixley, Cal. Mrs. Margaret Howard contributed special music.

Indiana Man Speaks
At 3:45 o'clock there was a Christian Endeavor address by Rev. J. E. Harwood of Huntington, Ind., and this was followed at 4:15 by organization of the convention.

At 7:30 o'clock last night there was a song service led by W. T. Wyatt of Hood River, song leader for the convention, and at 8 o'clock there was an address on the Sunday school by Rev. J. E. Harwood, with special music by Margaret Howard, conference soloist.

The program for the remainder of the convention will be as follows:

Saturday Morning.
8 o'clock. Song service, led by song leader.
8:15. General conference.
"Senior C. E. Problems," Rev. George Calvert.
"Junior C. E. Problems," Rev. C. E. Lehty.

9:15. Special music.
Intermission.
:30. address, "Obeying His Command," Rev. L. D. Thornburg, Modesto, Cal.

10:15. discussion, led by Rev. J. E. Harwood.
11. address (selected), Missionary Evangelist M. Alice Durham, Woodland, Cal.

Saturday Afternoon
1:30. song, service and special music.
2. address, "How to Save to the Church the Intermediates," Mrs. Alta Mason.

3. report of nominating committee.

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PRISONERS TO BE SET FREE IN FOUR DAYS

Assurance Sent to French Consul By Chief of Shantung Train Bandits That Such Is Case

HEAT AND FLIES BOTHER CAPTIVES STATES PRIEST

General Health Good; Outlaws Continually Quarrel Between Selves

TIEN TSIN, June 9.—(By Associated Press)—The chief of the Shantung train bandits now holding eight foreign captives in the Paotuku mountain stronghold has promised that the prisoners will be released within four days according to a letter received today by the French consul here from Emile Gensburger, a Shanghai broker, who is among the victims still being held.

All Ill Recovered
While the general health of the prisoners was said to be satisfactory, all those who were ill having virtually recovered, the intense heat of the past few days is causing much discomfort.

A German priest who has just returned from the bandits' mountain retreat, said that the heat and flies were worst of the captives' troubles at present. Many of the bandits, he said, were suffering from some ailment or other, two of them being lepers.

Attitude Varies
The attitude of the outlaws toward their foreign prisoners varies according to circumstances. Some of the bandit guards seem to be willing to do anything for their captives while others indulge in petty tyranny. J. B. Powell, Shanghai newspaper man being held by the brigands, is said to have lost his temper recently and literally knocked out one of the guards who had become offensive. The bandits are continually quarreling among themselves when they are not conversing with the prisoners.

Many of the brigands, unfamiliar with firearms have nearly their compasses by their careless handling of weapons strange to them. Yesterday one of the bandits is said to have blown his own hand off by accidentally discharging a rifle he was handling.

JULIA K. WEBSTER NEW HEAD D. OF V.

Salem Woman Made Department President at Grants Pass Meeting

GRANTS PASS, Or., June 8.—Opposition of the smaller camps of the state to the election of John D. Stevens, of Portland, resulted in the naming of G. R. Castner of Hood River, as department commander of the Gran Army of the Republic for the coming year, at the state convention here today.

James Holman of Grant's Pass, was elected secretary or vice commander by acclamation. The vote on the location of the next convention was put off until tomorrow with Oregon City and Hillsboro making strong bids.

Miss Myrtle James of Newport, was elected department director of the women's relief corps and Mrs. Anna Steinbaugh, of Grant's Pass, was elected senior vice director. The remainder of the officers will be chosen tomorrow. The nomination of Mrs. Bertha Drew Gilman, of Heppner, for national president was indorsed by the convention.

At the election of officers of the sons of veterans C. E. Foster, of Portland, was elected division commander.

Miss Julia K. Webster, of Salem, was unanimously elected department president of the Daughters of Veterans.

Miss Julia K. Webster was president of the Barbara Fritch tent of the Daughters of Veterans in Salem last year and has at all times been active in the work of the local organization. She is employed in the office of George G. Brown, secretary of the state land board.

CATERPILLAR INVASION NOW THREATENING

Corvallis Sidewalks Covered; Train Crews Report Caravan Coming Over Divide

CORVALLIS, Or., June 8.—The sidewalks in many sections of Corvallis today were literally covered with caterpillars, apparently from the army of similar crawlers that stopped a train between here and Albany last Wednesday by swarming over the rails. W. J. Chamberlain, of the department of entomology at Oregon Agricultural college, said today that the caterpillar horde was seeking a sheltered place where each caterpillar will later emerge from its cocoon as brown moths.

The crew on the Yaquina Bay train into Corvallis reported today that the caterpillar caravan is still coming over the divide. They are several inches deep in spots on the car tracks. Nevertheless the wheels of the engine crushed through them leaving a trail of grease and slime that made traction next to impossible for a long enough distance to delay the train 15 minutes in its climb to Summit station.

PARADE PLAN IS COMPLETE

Pageant at Annual Sunday School Picnic Expected to Break Record

Elaborate plans are being made for the annual picnic of the Marion County Sunday School association which will be held in Salem at the Oregon state fair grounds next Saturday.

Governor Walter M. Pierce is to be the speaker of the day and will head the big parade that is to pass through the principal streets of Salem in the morning.

Fred DeVries, president of the association, met with the parade committee yesterday and completed details for this grand pageant. The committee on parade, consisting of Col. Garle Abrams, Harold Zieser, Rev. Ralph Putnam and Paul Wallace, outlined the line of march and assigned a street on which each division will form.

Record Turnout Indicated
On account of much greater interest in this event than formerly the committee expects the largest parade in the history of the city. The parade will march promptly at 10 o'clock, and the committee directs that all organizations expecting to take part report to the committee on the streets assigned at 9 o'clock. It is the desire of the committee that the divisions be formed in line at 9:30 in order that the parade may move promptly at 10 o'clock, and those organizations and floats not in line at the hour of marching will be left behind, or permitted to follow the parade.

Street Assignments Made
The parade will form at Marion square and the following assignments of streets were made for the formation. At the head of each street will be a representative of the committee, to assist in forming the section:

The Salem district will form on Commercial street north of Marion, facing south.

The Haysville district will form on Center street, east of Commercial, facing west.

The Santiam district will form on Marion street west of Commercial, facing east, its rear extending south on Front.

The North Marion county district will form on Marion street east of Commercial, facing west.

The Silverton district will form on Union street west of Commercial, facing west.

The Jefferson district will form on Front street north of Marion, facing south.

The Red Hills district will form on Union street west of Commercial, facing east.

The order in which the several districts will march will be announced by the committee on arrival of the units at their appointed stations.

Boy Scouts Assist
The parade will move south on Commercial street to State, east on State to the Capitol, and then out to the fair grounds, where the picnic dinner will be spread.

A detail of Boy Scouts will assist the committee in forming the parade, and boys from the YMCA, under the direction of Secretary Kells, will police the fair grounds and direct visitors to the meeting places.

ENGSTROM WINNER OF CONTRACT FOR ANNEX TO SCHOOL

Price Placed at \$47,944—Bernardi Awarded Installation of Heating and Plumbing at \$7060—Early Start on Construction Promised—Burden Assails Program of Board.

Carl O. Engstrom of Salem draws the prize, the contract for building the new high school annex, for the contract price of \$47,944.

J. A. Bernardi, also of Salem, is awarded the contract for the heating and plumbing for the total price of \$7,060. The bids were opened at a special meeting of the school board, Friday noon. They were tabulated during the afternoon, and presented in tabular form to another adjourned meeting held Friday evening, when the contracts were awarded.

A slight misunderstanding as to the conditions of getting a bond led to the withdrawing of the Engstrom bid, a misunderstanding that the board found on investigation to be easily corrected, so that his bid could be considered. Investigation shows that the bidder stands high in his profession. Rather surprisingly to the board and to the general public, there were but three bids submitted, and in general they ran even lower than what the board expected.

Work Starts Monday
It is understood that work is to be begun Monday, as soon as the contract and official bond can be signed up. Some work is already going on. The old residence house that has stood on the Church street front of the school property, south of the present school building, is already practically demolished, ready for the excavation and the foundations.

J. A. Bernardi, plumbing and heating, is to install a Pacific boiler and a Johnson thermostat heat control system. The price is considered exceptionally good. W. W. Hatch was the lowest bidder on the electric wiring, though the board did not formally act on this feature of the work.

Margin to Go On
The addition of the wiring at the lowest bid of \$545 brings the total cost of the high school to \$55,549, exclusive of furnishings. Architect Leggo had guaranteed that the cost would not be above \$60,000, and he has a good margin to go on.

No definite action was taken on the Grant junior high school building.

Buren Attacks Program
Max Buren, former member of the board, attended the session, and in a fierce though friendly running debate attacked the whole proposal of paying so much money for a grade and junior high school building. Homer Smith also asked for some of the reasons for the far greater cost of this building as compared to the high school contract that was let last night. The board has in its closed sessions practically agreed to eliminate a number of the more expensive features of the Knighton plan, but there is no date set for an acceptance of any part of the plan or the bids as submitted.

M'DOUGAL BOOKED AT HEADQUARTERS

Well-Known Salem Man Charged With Driving While Intoxicated

W. L. McDougal, well-known in Salem, residing at a country home on route 3, was arrested about 11 o'clock last night by Officer Branson, and taken to the police station where he was booked on a charge of driving his automobile while in an intoxicated condition.

Ball of \$50 was procured, and McDougal was cited to appear in court at 2 o'clock this afternoon to answer to the charge.

According to police officials, McDougal has been on the "water wagon" for a considerable period, but lost his seating yesterday.

SWIMMER IS DROWNED
FREE WATER, Or., June 8.—Joseph Williams, aged 18, was drowned late yesterday at the Herman Markam ranch, below Umpqua, while swimming in the Walla Walla river.

TRIAL CLEARS DEPUTY

PITTSBURGH, June 8.—Deputy Sheriff Edward Mannison and D. J. Riley, charged with the murder of Fannie Sellins, organizer of the United Mine Workers of America, were found not guilty by the jury late today. Mrs. Sellins was shot and killed at Ducktown during the 1919 steel strike.

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