

SEVENTY-THIRD YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, WEDNESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 31, 1923

PRICE FIVE CENTS

24 HURT
AS CARS
COLLIDE**Los Angeles Fire Truck Runs
Head on Into Police Car—
Both Answering same Call—
Two Probably Fatally
Injured in Wreck**

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 30.—Twenty-four were injured, two probably fatally, when a fire truck and a fast police car, both answering the same call collided at Fifth and Broadway tonight and careened into a crowd of window shoppers and theater goers.

The fire truck had the right of way, witnesses said, but the police car was unable to slow down in by one wheel, turned completely time to let it pass and was caught around and flung into the crowd.

The fire truck also piled up against the department store. Several firemen were among the injured.

Many injured.
A partial list of the injured follows:
Dean A. Spencer, Santa Monica, Cal., legs broken.
Gene Reuehan, Santa Fe, N. M., severe head lacerations.
W. K. Steinbrink, Galveston, Tex., broken arm and leg.
Vincent Winterblum, driver of the police car, extent of injuries unknown.
Harry W. Frost, patrolman, bruises and lacerations.
John Shalkan, legs broken.
Fred Henneman, lacerations.
Mrs. Ellen Less, bruises, possible internal injuries.
William Kirchler, bruises.
P. C. Freitas, fireman, bruises.
All of the injured were taken to the receiving hospital, where early reports from surgeons indicated no one had been fatally hurt.

**Everett Collision Victim
Is Not Expected to Live**

EVERETT, Wash., Oct. 30.—Cliff Taro, 28, who with his brother, Fire Chief W. A. Taro and five others were injured in a collision last night between a fire truck and the fire chief's automobile, was reported tonight to be in a critical condition, suffering from a fractured skull. Two persons were killed in the crash.

The condition of Fire Chief Taro was also considered grave tonight as one rib was reported by physicians to have pierced his lung. Arthur Leffing, 20, a substitute fireman, was declared to be out of danger tonight. He sustained skull injuries.

Dennis Boyle, a fireman, and Daniel Michel, bricklayer, were killed in the crash last night.

**Salary Increase Keeps
Pastor at Silverton**

SILVERTON, Or., Oct. 30.—(Special to The Statesman)—Rev. George Henriksen, who has been pastor of Trinity congregation at Silverton for the past five years, coming to Silverton from Portland read his resignation at the Sunday morning services. Rev. Mr. Henriksen has been tendered a call to serve as field secretary for the Pacific coast and Rocky Mountain districts of the Lutheran church at a salary of \$3000 and traveling expenses.

Trinity congregation held a business meeting Sunday night for the purpose of discussing the acceptance of his resignation. Members of the congregation voted to ask Rev. Henriksen to remain with his present call at an increase of \$500 over his present salary. Rev. Mr. Henriksen handed in his decision in favor of the Silverton congregation.

THE WEATHER

OREGON: Unsettled and occasionally threatening Wednesday; probably rain.

LOCAL WEATHER
(Tuesday)
Maximum temperature, 50.
Minimum temperature, 35.
River, —0.9 stationary.
Rainfall, .01.
Atmosphere, cloudy.
Wind, northeast.

**OLD BOX GAME
NETS WINNERS
\$8,000 IN CASH****Pasco Sheep Man Puts His
Roll in Box Within Valise
—Then It Is Gone**

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Oct. 30.—John Davin, a Pasco sheep man, was swindled out of \$8,000 in currency today by the old box game, he informed the police. The two men who are supposed to have Mexicans, induced Davin to draw the money out of the First National Bank of Walla Walla and place it in a box in a valise. When he opened the box it was filled with old paper.

The men are thought to have crossed the Pasco-Kennecook bridge this afternoon about 3 o'clock.

**FARMER-BANKER
ALLIANCE IS PLAN****Diversification, Cooperative
Marketing and Efficiency
on Farm Advocated**

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—A fellowship between the banker and the farmer which shall amount to more than a perfunctory or casual relationship was the keynote of a program agreed upon today by the agricultural commission of the American Bankers' association at the last of a two-day session.

Upon a statement of its belief in three fundamental agricultural policies—diversification, sound cooperative marketing and improvement of unit efficiency on the farm—the agricultural commission built a plan for bringing the farmer and the banker into an alliance of understanding and mutual assistance in every part of the country.

The measures of the plan include the organization of the bankers' committees on agriculture in every federal reserve district, then by states and then by counties or groups of counties.

No single specific program, it was pointed out by the advisory council of agricultural educators will serve for the whole country. Over the whole country, however, the bankers will be committed in general to close cooperation with the agricultural colleges to encourage of boys and girls' clubs as the hope for a new generation of competent agrarians; also the development of new agricultural enterprises in states which today stand or fall as a single crop prospect or fails.

**GEO. W. GRANNIS
VISITS IN SALEM****He Is the Man Who Headed
Movement to Give Post-
tal Men Sunday Rest**

Rev. Geo. W. Grannis was a Salem visitor yesterday. He is most widely known throughout the country as the man who headed the movement to give postoffice employees all over the United States their Sunday rest.

Mr. Grannis was formerly pastor of the First Methodist church of Salem. He left Salem in 1898, his last work here being as field secretary of Willamette university.

He was transferred to the Pittsburgh conference in 1901, and soon after that he was made general secretary of the Lord's Day alliance of the United States. While in that work he campaigned in every state in the Union, and he was particularly active in securing for the postoffice employees the right to rest on Sundays.

Mr. Grannis has been for seven years a resident of Turlock, Cal. He is a school director there.

Frank L. Grannis, his son, is principal of the Cottage Grove schools and also athletic coach. His team is scheduled for a game with the Salem high school team.

Rev. Grannis will visit Portland but will be back in Salem for a few days, before returning to his California home.

CHANGES PLEA
EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 30.—Mrs. Minnie Cadden Larkin, of Portland, who was arrested here October 12 on a charge of illegal possession of liquor, today changed her plea of not guilty to that of guilty and was sentenced to serve two months in the county jail and to pay a fine of \$500. Mrs. Larkin at the time of her arrest was special agent under the direction of G. L. Cleaver, state prohibition commissioner.

**SAXON AFFAIR
IS IMPROVED
LATEST WORD****Censorial Measures Which
May Be Adopted Will Tend
to Conserve Prestige of
Socialist Party****HEINZ IN DRESDEN
IS HAVING SUCCESS****Bavarian Situation Seems
Less Clear—Military Au-
thority Not Restored**

BERLIN, Oct. 31.—(By Associated Press.)—The general political situation with respect to the Saxon conflict is viewed tonight in official quarters as having showed marked improvement. The United Socialists who yesterday threatened to secede from Chancellor Stresemann's coalition government, appeared less intransigent today, having deferred a decisive vote on the party's attitude toward the central government's procedure in Saxony until tomorrow.

The attitude of the radicals is explained on the grounds that the party, as such, is in neither a strategic nor financial position to offer strong opposition and also because its withdrawal from the present coalition under the present circumstances would constitute a pronounced concession to the communists in Saxony and elsewhere.

Will Conserve Prestige
Any censorial measures the Socialists adopt for the purpose of administering a rebuke to the central government, it is asserted, will be dictated by tactical consideration and solely for the purpose of conserving the party's prestige with its followers.

Reports from Dresden indicate that Dr. Heinz, the reich commissioner in Saxony, is having success in reestablishing a parliamentary regime there to succeed the deposed Zeigner ministry and that the Saxon Socialists have definitely jettisoned further intentions of allying themselves with the communists.

The situation with respect to Bavaria is less clarified as Premier von Knilling has not yet replied officially to Chancellor Stresemann's request that the federal military authority be restored completely.

Two Will Resign

A sensational story of nationalist military preparations in Bavaria was furnished today by the usually reliable "Socialist parliamentary service" which asserts that large forces of fully armed nationalists, supplied with heavy guns, have been distributed along the Saxon and Bavarian frontiers with Bamberg as their base. It was said that at Bamberg they have supplies, vehicles, artillery, machine guns and also airplanes bearing the swastika emblems of Captain Ehrhardt of Kapp Putsch fame, against whom a warrant for arrest is still out. Ehrhardt is said to be playing a prominent part in training these illegal forces. The government is investigating the truth of the socialist allegations.

Late tonight it was stated that the three Socialist ministers of the reich cabinet already had notified the executive council of the Socialist party of their intention to resign but that the council asked them to postpone such a step pending tomorrow's conference. One reason for the requested postponement was a desire on the part of the Socialist leaders to await developments in Saxony.

**Electric Wizard Visits
At Boys Training School**

Among the visitors at the Boys Training school last night was Parsons B. Egbert, known as the "electric wizard" since on June 11 when he took 55,000 volts of electricity for 18 seconds. Although he now wears an artificial leg, and has no right hand arm below the elbow, he is apparently as well as the day before the accident.

Mr. Egbert was city electrician in Tacoma, and it was in the city power plant that he touched an oil switch. The current passed from the hand down the right side of the body, then shot from the shoulder with such force as to crumple a big earthen high resistance insulator, ten feet above him.

**SALEM GETS
PRAISE FROM
ITS VISITORS****Decorations During Fair are
Lauded; Guests Say No One
Tried to Hold 'Em Up**

An echo of the state fair is heard in a letter received by Mayor John B. Giesy from Albert Tosi, mayor of the "Tented City", during the exposition. The letter is as follows:

"It is my proud privilege to tell you that during my stay in the Tented City of the Oregon state fair, hundreds of complimentary words were heard for Salem regarding the city's decorations. It was general comment by those who passed through the Capital City.

"More mention was heard than ever before of how Salem showed its appreciation of the state fair.

"Another thing, not a solitary accusation of a hold-up as to prices charged for rooms came to my ears.

"Of all persons who attended the state fair, none hears as much as falls to my lot. Thousands come to me during fair week, and through my life, the claim has been made that I am a good listener."

**P-T AT HIGHLAND
APPROVES PLANS****Erection of Junior High
School Meets With
Unanimous Sanction**

Plans of the directors of the school board for building a junior high school on North Capitol street were given unanimous endorsement at the meeting of the Highland Parent-Teacher association held last night at the Highland school.

This endorsement follows a similar approval of the building plans of the school board voted a few days ago by the Lincoln-McKinley Parent-Teacher association.

In explaining the election to be held Tuesday, Nov. 13 when the school board asks the approval of the public in the change of building plans, William Gahlsdorf, school director, said that no additional money was wanted, but only a public showing that the plans of the school board met approval.

Referring to building in the past, Mr. Gahlsdorf said: "The Englewood school was built in 1910 and the Richmond and Highland buildings in 1912. Then in 1915 the McKinley school was erected and since then there has been no school building whatever until this year.

"Now while there has been only the one school building erected since 1912, the school census shows an increase of more than 1600 pupils and to care for this increase there has been only the McKinley school with a capacity of 240.

"The school board feels that there should be no more building unless we look forward to the bigger plan of one junior high school for the northern part of the city and one junior high school for the southern part of the city."

P. M. Gregory, school director, said that the erection of a junior high school building on North Capitol street would relieve conditions greatly at Highland, Garfield, Grant and Washington schools.

Mr. Gregory read the form of ballot to be used at the school election, explaining that in the legal phraseology it appeared as if the board was asking for more money, while the facts are that no additional money is asked, but only the public approval of the proposed building on North Capitol street.

"The official ballot reads like we are contracting a new debt," declared Mr. Gregory, "while in fact it means that we are just asking to change the building plans voted on last March."

George W. Hug, superintendent of public schools, spoke briefly, stating that the present building plans of the board were approved by John Donovan, one of the greatest school authorities in the country. Mr. Hug also congratulated the Highland folk on the deep interest they were taking in school matters.

The meeting last night was presided over by Mrs. G. J. Wenderoth, president of the Highland Parent-Teacher association. The "asthma" male quartet rendered two selections and refreshments were served following the meeting.

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Oct. 30.—The Kerr line steamer West Canon and the shipping board tanker District of Columbia, collided in a dense fog while both were entering the harbor here today.

**2 PART OF
THEFT GANG
IS ALLEGED****Beyrle Wagner and Ellis
Brown Were Much Wanted,
Salem Police Discover**

Perhaps the desk sergeant heaved a sigh of relief or maybe he possessed a sense of humor, for under an entry made on the police blotter at 2:30 a. m. Tuesday, is the following notation:

"Released. Ellis Brown was turned over to the Portland police department on the charge of the theft of five autos and white slavery. Outside of that he was all right. And the Ford car was turned over also."

As a sequence to the arrest here Saturday night of Ellis Brown and a woman companion, Miss Beyrle Wagner, by Officer Olson, the Portland police have rounded up what they think to be an organized gang of auto thieves of which the woman is the leader.

In Portland she is charged with a violation of the Mann act and larceny of an automobile. The men who have been arrested and charged against them are: Clarence LaFavour, 20, larceny of an automobile; Ellis Brown, 25, larceny of an automobile and violation of the Mann act; William Brown, a brother, concealing stolen property, and Eugene Brown, another brother, larceny of an automobile. All are being held on \$1500 bail. The woman denies all of the things charged against her.

In addition to the theft charges she is said to have been actively operating through a matrimonial agency, agreeing to marry men for sums varying between \$50 and \$100. One Salem man is known to have contributed to her, while others are thought to be carrying portraits, for the woman, about 15, is said to be fairly attractive.

**LABOR COUNCIL'S
ACTION APPROVED****State Federation Endorses
Boycott Placed Upon
Portland Baking Co.**

ASTORIA, Or., Oct. 30.—The Oregon Federation of Labor session here today was marked by discussion of the method of procedure which should be followed in placing official sanction on declaring a firm or company unfair and declaring a boycott.

The discussion arose over a resolution which was finally adopted by a unanimous vote, approving the action of the Portland Central Labor council in declaring a Portland baking company unfair to organized labor.

The assertion was made that the master bakers had made an agreement with the Bakers' union and the United States department of agriculture regarding the scale of wages, working conditions and the right of the workers to organize. The company in question had repudiated that agreement and therefore had been declared by the labor council to be unfair.

It was approval of this action that the convention was asked to endorse.

FINAL FLASHES

CHICAGO, Oct. 30.—A Michigan Central passenger train, speeding eastward from Chicago to New York, was wrecked two miles west of Porter, Ind., this evening when the train crashed into a truck driven by Fred Landis of Gary, Ind.

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 30.—Scores of persons narrowly escaped death or injury late this afternoon when Chicago, Burlington and Quincy passenger train No. 6, eastbound for Chicago at 3 o'clock in the afternoon was derailed near Tonvill, Colo., 40 miles northeast of here and six cars and the engine tender went into a ditch. No one was injured.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Oct. 30.—Three persons were instantly killed and another probably fatally injured here tonight when an automobile in which they were riding, was struck by a Nickel Plate freight train.

HONG KONG, Oct. 31.—One of the heaviest rainstorms in the history of Hong Kong, 11 inches falling since 11 o'clock yesterday morning until 8:30 this morning, has caused considerable damage.

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 30.—One deputy was killed when rioting broke out in the chamber of deputies when the Huertista and Calista factions clashed in the lobby.

**DEMOCRATIC
GOVERNMENT
IS LAUDED****Lloyd George Expresses Bel-
ief That British and
Americans Will Defend
Their Institutions****THREE REPUBLICS ARE
CITED AS EXAMPLES****Says He Is Hopeful That
With America's Help Pro-
gress Will Be Made**

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—Belief that the people of America and Great Britain "will stand behind democratic institutions whatever may befall in any other land" was expressed in an address here today by David Lloyd George. Emphasizing the advantages of the Democratic government over an autocracy, the former premier declared that he "was glad to be here where the greatest democracy on earth made its start."

The address was delivered in the Academy of Music before the Philadelphia forum. Mr. Lloyd George warned that democracy is imperiled in the face of a reaction in Europe reflected in the establishment of autocratic governments in Russia, Italy, Spain and for the moment, Germany.

Democracy on Trial
"Believe me," he said, "democracy is on trial; maybe not here. There are nations that have attempted to give it up, and unless the nations that have tried and have been brought through many trials, stand by it, democracy in the world may disappear."

"We have three great democracies in the world at the present moment to stand by these principles—your great land, France and Britain."

Reiterating his plea for American help in Europe Mr. Lloyd George told how he had come from a continent racked with anxiety and torn with ancient feuds "which a few years ago broke out in a cataclysm which devastated a continent and reached you."

Britisher Hopeful
"I am hopeful," he added, "that after a struggle which has created such desolation over vast territories with your help, the help that you gave us so readily, so unselfishly, and with so much inspiration in 1917 that with that help Europe also will be redeemed, clearly and resolutely along the road that will lead to a higher civilization."

**TRAINING SCHOOL BOYS ENJOY
SURPRISE HALLOWE'EN PARTY**

The spirits of Hallowe'en fairly swooped down upon the State Training school last night, with unbridled abandon that led the 142 lads pell-mell through an evening of thrills that will long be remembered. A happy inspiration prompted the Women of the Rotary of Portland to give the boys at the training school an honest-to-goodness Hallowe'en party with everything from grinning jack-o-lanterns, witches, and black bats and spitting cats, to cider and ice cream and, yes, even bobbing for apples. Better still—it was to be a surprise! And that it was.

With sparkling eyes and spontaneous "Oh, Boy-e-e-ee!!!"s, the boys took their places in the dining room which had as if by magic been transformed into a bower of Hallowe'en colors and characters. In the center of each table sat the ever amiable countenance of Jack-o' keeping guard of the Kraky Kat cap bays, and Hallowe'en candles. In their fancy head dress, the happy youngsters did honor to the specially planned menu of "weenies", cider, raisin filled cookies and ice cream.

After the meal they proceeded to the auditorium where an hour was given over to songs, stories and speeches. The colored trio from Salem, entertained with a number of old negro harmonies and plantation songs, and Miss Jessie Hodge Millard, head of the children's department of the Portland library captivated her listeners with a Robin Hood adventure story. For an encore she responded with a story of the prince who would have the last word. Mrs. C. M. Egbert, president of the Portland club, afforded much merriment by teaching the boys the song "Ham and Eggs." After listening to a num-

**MARY AND DOUG
RESENT HINTS
OF TROUBLES****Suit for Libel to Be Filed
Against Magazine Which
Printed Recent Report**

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 30.—Douglas Fairbanks, motion picture actor, and his wife, Mary Pickford, announced tonight that they had wired instructions to their attorneys in New York to file a libel suit immediately against an eastern magazine which recently printed a report that "America's Sweetheart" and her famous husband had quarreled over another woman.

Evelyn Brent, formerly leading lady in Fairbanks' company, whose name was said to have been involved in the alleged libelous article, will join Miss Pickford and Mr. Fairbanks in the libel suit, according to her husband, B. P. Fineman.

**FILIPINOS WORRIED
ABOUT U.S. ATTITUDE****Political Flames Fanned By
Report That Congress Will
Grant Freedom**

MANILA, Oct. 30.—(By Associated Press.)—Additional fuel has been added to the political flames here by a cablegram received from Senator Thomas J. Walsh of Montana by the publisher of the Manila Times predicting that a bill would be introduced at the next session of congress making the Philippines a permanent and integral part of the United States.

Manuel Quezon, president of the Philippine senate and an active exponent of independence, in commenting on Senator Walsh's cablegram, said he did not believe the American administration would sponsor or approve such a bill.

The bill suggested by the Montana senator, Quezon declared, would be opposed by Filipinos of all parties.

Manuel Roxas, speaker of the insular house, declared that the bill would be a backward step as the present Philippine government is more liberal than that of Hawaii. He said Filipinos did not desire the Philippines to become a part of the United States.

SHOOTS FAMILY

EL PASO, Tex., Oct. 30.—Claiming that his sister-in-law had broken up his home, Bertram Davie, 42, tonight shot and possibly fatally wounded his wife, Mrs. Hazel Davie, his sister-in-law, Marie Ragen and probably fatally wounded himself. The shooting took place in the apartment occupied by Mrs. Davie in an exclusive residence district.

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It was by suggestion of Mr. Arthur, that the party was planned and carried out by the Women of the Rotary of Portland, who provided the decorations, favors, candy, the prizes and the ice cream for the occasion. The Salem Rotary and Mr. Glenn Niles, assisted by the scout, Ronald S. Haynes, Herbert Erickson, W. T. Edmondson and Arthur Grover directed the sports program for the evening. The place cards came as a gift from the J. K. Gill company of Portland.

Among those who drove down from Portland were Mr. Kendall, Norman McIntosh, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Egbert, Mrs. Bob Sproule, Mrs. Fred Anderson, Mrs. Chastan, Dick Montgomery, Miss Jessie Hodge Millard, Mrs. Parsons B. Egbert, and Chester A. Arthur.

**REPARATION
CONFERENCE
IS ASSURED****French Premier's Reserva-
tions Accepted and Word
Cabled to Hughes That
All Will Participate****AMERICAN CHAIRMAN
IS MUCH DESIRED****Financier or Lawyer of Re-
pute Would Be Welcomed
as Member From U. S.**

LONDON, Oct. 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—Europe is to make another effort to unravel the everlasting reparation tangle. The British government today decided to accept the French premier's reservation and the British charge d'affaires at Washington was instructed by cable tonight to inform Secretary Hughes of the decision of the powers to enter a conference of experts such as Mr. Hughes suggested in his reply to foreign Secretary Curson's plan for American participation.

If all goes well, this commission of inquiry will be started before the overseas premiers leave London and it is hoped that in spite of France's severe restrictions it may lead to a larger plenary conference on the whole European situation at Washington or elsewhere in which the powerful neutral nations like the United States may make their voices heard.

Scope Limited
Sir John Bradbury, the British reparation delegate, informed the British government today that while some of the conditions would sharply limit the scope of the conference, he felt that Great Britain could not take the responsibility of uttering a peremptory "no" to France and risk the loss of America's participation.

There is a strong desire among British government officials that the experts commission shall have an American chairman, whose neutrality they feel would insure a greater measure of impartiality and justice in the committee's decisions. They would welcome as the American member, it said, a financier of such international standing as J. P. Morgan, or a lawyer of such repute and foreign experience as Roland W. Boyden or Paul Cravath.

Japan to be Asked
Japan will be invited to join in the discussions of the expert committee. The British believe Japan's detachment from the immediate affairs of Europe will enable the Japanese member also to take an objective, unbiased view of the reparation demands, and with the American delegate, exercise a moderating or even mediating influence upon the discussions of his more interested colleagues.

PARIS, Oct. 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—The inter-allied reparations commission today unanimously voted to postpone consideration of the German application for a hearing on Germany's capacity for payment until further information is received on the negotiations between the allied governments for the creation of an expert committee to investigate the subject.

Some delegates at first favored proceeding regardless of the proposed experts' conference, but they abandoned this attitude upon the explanation of the British delegate, Sir John Bradbury, that the commission, in so acting, might forestall or interfere with the plans for the international conference.

Sir John Bradbury in a statement issued after the meeting, declared that "adjournment of consideration of the German note was made upon my own personal initiative." This was in refutation of statements appearing in French newspapers to the effect that he had received instructions from London to obstruct the commis-

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SAMPLES PASSED
WITH CIGARS

SEATTLE, Oct. 30.—Prohibition agents were busy today collecting "samples" of paper mache cigars in the heart of the business section. Inspection of several "samples" disclosed that they each contained a small glass tube which were said to have been filled with liquor.