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SALEM, OREGON, TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 29, 1924

PRICE FIVE CENTS

SALEM JOINS VALLEY TOWNS IN SURVEY

Albany and Salem Business Men Agree to Cooperate in Investigation of Clear Lake Site

KAY, ALBERT, STOLTZ FAVOR MOUNTAIN WATER

Man Who Surveyed Water Shed for Hill Lines Explains Possibilities

Representative business men of Salem meeting with some 20 of the prominent business men of Albany, last night agreed to "look into" the matter of bringing water to the Willamette valley from Clear Lake, which is located 116 miles from Salem and 78 miles from Eugene.

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FIRST SLICE OF TAX CUT SEEN

Ways and Means Committee Adopts Mellon Proposal for Reduction

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Income tax payers got their first slice of the proposed tax relief today, when the house ways and means committee adopted the recommendation of Secretary Mellon to allow a special 25 per cent reduction in the tax on incomes which are "earned."

THE WEATHER

OREGON: Rain west, cloudy east portion Tuesday; fresh southeasterly winds.

LOCAL WEATHER (Monday)
Maximum temperature, 56.
Minimum temperature, 39.
River, 2.8; stationary.
Rainfall, .31.
Atmosphere, cloudy.
Wind, southwest.

SMOKING CIGARETTES AND DANCING CAUSE GIRL TO KILL SELF

Governor Harding of Federal Reserve Bank Tells What Led His Daughter to Take Her Own Life—Father's Revolver Used—Notes Left Addressed to Parent and Friends.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—W. P. G. Harding, governor of the federal reserve bank of Boston, in a statement tonight, admitted his daughter, Margaret Eliot, who was found dead at her home last Saturday, committed suicide by shooting herself with his revolver.

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CIRCUIT RIDER STATUE ARRIVES

Equestrian Figure Being Set on Pedestal—Veiled Until April 19

The equestrian statue "The Circuit Rider," donated to the state by R. A. Booth of Eugene, arrived here yesterday and is being placed on the pedestal in the state grounds near the capitol. It will remain veiled until April 19, the date fixed for the dedication.

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FOUR-COUNTY SCOUT MERGER IS PERFECTED

Oscar Hayter of Dallas Elected President at Meeting of Representatives Here Last Night

REGIONAL EXECUTIVE FROM SPOKANE HERE

Each County Council Comprises Sixteen Men and Four Committees

Final organization of the four-county merger of the Boy Scout council was completed here last night by representatives from Albany, Corvallis, Lebanon, Dallas, Independence and Turner. Dr. J. H. Robinson, of Albany, presided. The meeting was held at the public library.

SERVICE MEN HEAR PROGRAM

Nearly Three Hundred From Marion and Polk Counties Assembled

Nearly 300 ex-service men of Marion and Polk counties packed McCormack hall last night as the guests of Voltaire 153, LaSociete des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux. Following a fine program the men were served a Johnny Jones feed.

FIFTEEN DEAD BY EXPLOSION

PAWTUCKET, R. I., Jan. 28.—An explosion which shook the countryside for 20 miles around, wrecked a two-family house at Cumberland hill, Pawtucket today and in the ruins were found 15 bodies. Many of the victims in the opinion of the medical examiner were asphyxiated before the explosion which resulted from the lighting of illuminating gas and was made more severe by the detonation of some dynamite store in the cellar.

FINAL FLASHES

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 28.—Z. E. J. Cox and E. O. Glenn were found guilty of fraud by a jury in federal court at 5:40 p. m. here today.

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STATE FAIR DATES FIXED SEPT. 22-27

Schedules Fully Arranged at Meeting of Board in Seattle—Racing up Today

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The resolution also proposes that the president call for the resignations of other "officials and officers" of the navy department "whose relations with the oil reserve leases indicate misfeasance and malfeasance in office."

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