

SCHOOLS TO OPEN SEPTEMBER 29TH

Superintendent Hug Says Preliminary Work Is Well Under Way

Preliminary work relating to the opening of the Salem schools has been completed and by the time September 29 rolls around, every detail will have been completed, according to George W. Hug, superintendent of schools. Based upon figures of the last five years, it is estimated that the school population this year will be between 4500 and 4600 pupils, a gain over last year, when 4399 were registered.

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be necessary, a majority of whom have been hired for the year. These teachers will be proportioned to the various schools in Salem as follows: Salem high school, 45; J. L. Parrish junior high school, 31; McKinley junior high school, 12; Garfield, 10; Grant, Lincoln and Park, 9 each; Highland and Richmond, 8 each; Englewood, 7, and Washington portable, 2.

Enrollment in the Salem high school has a higher percentage than in any of the 33 larger cities of the United States, according to Superintendent Hug, who quotes figures prepared for a recent issue of the Journal of the National Education Association. Salem had a percentage of 22.8, with Seattle leading the list with 15 per cent. Portland was sixth with a percentage of 13.6.

In these statements no recognition is taken of the fact that the number of pupils registering in the first grade is larger than the number registering 12 years ago, these pupils now being in the last part of their high school career. The figures, it is said, also tend to correct statements that but few pupils entering the first grade complete the four-year high school course.

According to statistics prepared by Mrs. Mary L. Fulkerson, county school superintendent, but 25 per cent of the boys and about 50 per cent of the girls completed all work from the first grade through high school.

TRAINMEN NOT TO FIX CHOICE OF CANDIDATES

undersigned has taken the position that our organization should not endorse either Coolidge, Davis or La Follette for president of the United States. Information furnished this office by the Washington legislative bureau shows the labor record of each of three above mentioned candidates for president to be as nearly 100 per cent in each instance as could reasonably be expected. We are advised the legislative boards in certain states were favorable to endorsing John W. Davis, in other states President Coolidge, and in other states Senator La Follette.

"State legislative boards have been advised that in our opinion they should confine their endorsement to conditions for state offices, including candidates for the United States house and senate."

Credentials Puzzle League of Nations

GENEVA, Aug. 20.—(By The AP.)—Philip E. Henry, bearing a signed and sealed document from Cameron Morrison of North Carolina, appointing Mr. Henry a special commissioner from North Carolina, arrived in Geneva today. League of Nations officials are somewhat puzzled over how to receive him.

Mr. Henry has not yet placed his credentials, but it was said today the league officials were going to welcome him as a representative American anxious to learn about the league.



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CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES HERE

German Methodist People to Have Convention—Missionaries to Talk

August 28 to 31 is the date of the Pacific German conference of the Methodist Episcopal church which will be held in Salem. Rev. G. S. Roeder will have charge of the program, which will be of interest to a number of Salem church people. Business sessions will be held from 9 o'clock until 11:30 o'clock each morning while the afternoons will be devoted to committee meetings. A number of ministers who will attend the conference are expected to arrive Saturday in order to be present at the Sunday service. Services will be conducted in the German language the first two nights.

Bishop Johnson will offer a stereopticon lecture on "Africa" Friday night at the First Methodist church. He recently returned from a number of years spent on that continent. It is also possible that Dr. A. J. Buchers of Cincinnati, Ohio, may be present. There will be a meeting of the conference on Saturday night.

Miss Ruth Fields, a retired missionary from Calcutta, India, will be the speaker at the Friday afternoon meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary society. She is a graduate of Willamette university and now home on furlough. Dr. E. S. Tully of Buffalo, N. Y., will also speak Friday afternoon.

The annual conference love feast will be held at 9:30 o'clock Sunday morning at the Center street church, to be followed by a sermon by Bishop Johnson at 10:30 o'clock. In the afternoon and again at night ministers from the east will be the principal speakers.

FARMERS ASKED TO SUPPORT COOLIDGE

Senator Capper, Farm Bloc Leader, Makes a Statement for Nominee

CHICAGO, Aug. 20.—Farmers and wage earners were appealed to in statements issued at national republican headquarters tonight by Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas, leader of the farm bloc and T. V. O'Connor of the International Longshoremen's union, chairman of the United States shipping board.

Mr. O'Connor addressed a group of members of labor unions from various parts of the country gathered for conference in the office of National Chairman William M. Butler.

"Our farmers believe in 'Cal, the hard boiled economist,'" said Senator Capper. "They believe in the Dawes plan for bringing real peace to the world. Our farmers know and the working men in our industrial centers know, that this truly insures their prosperity," Senator Capper said. He added that "common sense and rigid economy appeal more to people" than "government ownership of railroads, attacks upon the protective tariff system, or untried policies."

Battling Siki Refuses To Continue Ring Battle

LORAIN, Ohio, Aug. 20.—The scheduled 10-round bout between Battling Siki, who conquered Georges Carpentier, and Mike Conroy, Rochester, N. Y., came to a sudden ending tonight when Siki refused to go on after the eighth round.

When the gong sounded for the ninth round Siki walked to the middle of the ring and exclaimed: "I'm getting nothing for this; I quit."

It was the main bout of a show for the benefit of the Lorain relief fund. Referee Tommy McGrath of Cleveland awarded the contest to Conroy, who had been master of the situation throughout.

LEOPOLD, LOEB ARE DENOUNCED AS FRIENDS

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he had "see the blows coming." "So he was struck from behind, four cowardly, dastardly blows, with a carefully taped cold chisel and then one or the other of these fiends dragged him into the back of the automobile and gouged out his life."

Mr. Savage's description of the crime started with the theft by Leopold and Loeb of a portable typewriter from a University of Michigan fraternity house last fall. He inferred that this showed premeditation of kidnaping and murder at even that early date, and then proceeded to sketch it. He had reached the hiding of the body in a culvert when adjournment time came.

After Mr. Savage concluded which probably will be tomorrow, the defense will start its final summing up. Walter Bachrach is scheduled to give the first ad-

CLARKSBURG WELCOMES JOHN W. DAVIS TO WEST VIRGINIA HOME FOR DEMOCRATS' FORMAL NOTIFICATION



The Democratic nominee for the Presidency is seen here proceeding through his home town in an automobile. With him is Colonel John C. Johnson, one of West Virginia's oldest Democrats, who is first instructed Mr. Davis in the politics and policies of the Democratic party.

dress paralleling Mr. Marshall's legal reasoning. He will be followed by his brother Benjamin and these arguments are expected to consume the balance of the week. Clarence S. Darrow and Robert E. Crowe state's attorney, will match eloquence in the last of the arguments.

Edward Cookingham Has Conference With Officials

Publication of the report of Oswald West and George Black of Portland relative to the alleged irregularities in the sale of stock of the King's Food Products company, and which assailed the Ladd & Tilton bank of Portland, brought Edward Cookingham, president of the bank, to Salem yesterday to confer with Governor Pierce and State Treasurer Myers.

Mr. Cookingham vehemently denies the allegations in the report, but following the conference yesterday neither he nor the governor would make any statement as to developments reached.

PIERCE TO SPEAK

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 20.—Game problems of the west will be discussed here tomorrow when the annual convention of the Western Association of Game wardens opens its sessions to continue Friday and Saturday. Governor Pierce will deliver the address of welcome.

REFORMER DIES

CHICAGO, Aug. 20.—Miss Lucy Page Gaston, nationally known reformer and foe of cigarettes, died in a sanitarium here today. Her health failed several months ago after she was injured in a street car accident and a malignant growth in her throat developed. Miss Gaston was conscious until 30 minutes before she died.

SOLDIERS INJURE CIVILIANS

HONOLULU, Aug. 20.—More than 100 soldiers attacked and injured a number of persons in the Kalia district last night in revenge for an assault upon a soldier by gangsters Sunday night. Both civilian and military police were called to quell the disturbance. No arrests were made.

BOY ARRESTED FOR WRITING LETTER

Threat on Life of Franks Laid to 11 Year Old Boy—Two are Held

CHICAGO, Aug. 20.—Earl Smith, 11-year-old school boy, was arrested late today, charged with having sent a threatening letter to Jacob Franks, father of the murdered Robert Franks.

The lad was said to have admitted his 17-year-old brother, Fielding, and other companions were confederates in demanding \$8000 from Mr. Franks on the threat that his wife and daughter would be killed.

Earl told the detectives that Fielding had dictated the letter and told him to write. Fielding told the officers, they said, that several days ago his brother showed him a letter addressed to Franks and demanding money.

"That letter is no good," the officers said Fielding told Earl. "Here use this one." The older boy then dictated the letter Mr. Franks received, doing it in a spirit of fun, he insisted.

Both boys were held for further investigation.

Murderer Identified.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 20.—Fingerprints of a burglary suspect arrested here August 13 under the name of Harry Trafole, alias H.

STORMS PLAY FREAK STUNTS IN EAST

Two are Killed in Dakota; Rain and Heat Strike at Other Points

FARGO, N. D., Aug. 20.—Two persons were killed during a severe rain and electrical storm which visited the southern half of North Dakota late today.

GALESBURG, Ill., Aug. 20.—A heavy rain starting early yesterday and lasting all night, caused a washout on the main line of the Burlington near Altoona, early today. All mainline traffic is tied up.

BENTON HARBOR, Mich., Aug. 20.—Damage running into several thousand dollars was caused here late yesterday by a windstorm which unroofed several small buildings. It is estimated

that half of the pear, peach and apple crop has been ruined.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 20.—Bright sunshine and hot winds, the kind of weather in which Nebraskans say "they can hear the corn grow," prevailed in eastern and southern Nebraska today, bringing maximum temperatures of 101 at Lincoln and 93 at Omaha.

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