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## BIGGEST FIGHT OF THE YEAR STAGED TODAY

Famous South American "Wild Bull" and Phenomenal Colored Heavyweight Ready for Action

FIRPO SLIGHT FAVORITE IN THE BETTING CIRCLES

Experts Believe Greater Ruggedness of Argentine Gives Advantage

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—(AP.)—The "Wild Bull," primed for his mighty charge and the "Brown Panther," crouched for his spring are ready for the call that will send them into action tomorrow night.

These giant fistic rivals and leading aspirants for title honors—Luis Angel Firpo, pride of the Argentine, and Harry Wills, greatest of present day negro heavyweights—will match their stamina and punching powers in the outstanding ring battle of the year.

They are matched for 12 rounds in Boyle's Thirty Acres bowl in Jersey City where Firpo halted last year the comeback of Jess Willard and where many a spectacular ring drama has been enacted since the wooden sander first was the scene of the historic Dempsey-Carpenter fray three years ago.

The eve of a fight which has attracted scarcely less interest than a title battle found Firpo a slight favorite among expert observers and in betting circles.

## CHERRIAN SHOW PLANS UNDER WAY

F. Ray Felker Outlining Entertainment to Be Given in November

Plans for a bigger and better annual Cherrian show are now under way for the production which will be offered around the middle of November. F. Ray Felker will have the direction of the show this year, and will be assisted by a committee consisting of Carl Gabrielsen, Dr. Carl Wöner, C. E. Knowland and C. E. Wilson. One place on the committee is being held open for Ed Chastain, who is expected to be in Salem this fall.

The show will be along the line of a musical comedy, though entirely different from anything offered here before, Mr. Felker said yesterday. The main idea is ready and only needs development. In the main the show will take the audience around the world, with each scene being staged in a different country. The final scene will represent the return to the United States and the end of the search—for what, Mr. Felker did not say.

### THE WEATHER

Oregon:—Fair and warmer Thursday; moderate northerly winds.

### LOCAL WEATHER

(Wednesday)  
Maximum temperature, 76  
Minimum temperature, 44  
Rainfall, None  
River, — 2, 4  
Atmosphere, clear.  
Wind, north.

## DAVIS INITIATED TO MEMBERSHIP IN BOY SCOUTS

Picturesque Ceremony Takes Place Among Mountains of Colorado

ESTES PARK, Colo., Sept. 10.—(By The Associated Press.)—With picturesque formalities conducted among the snow-clad peaks of the Rocky mountains, John W. Davis, the democratic presidential candidate was initiated today into honorary membership of the Boy Scouts of America.

Surrounded by some 600 executives of the scouts in a broad field in Rocky Mountain national park, Mr. Davis was inducted into honorary membership by one group from each of the four legions of the country, West, East, North and South. He was presented with the insignia of each group.

As part of one of the rituals a huge sombrero was placed on Mr. Davis' head and a lasso around his neck.

Before the initiation Mr. Davis addressed the scout executives:

"I had the other day, one of your leaflets," Mr. Davis said, "and I noticed that you were putting on this year through the boys over the country, a citizenship campaign, which was directed toward bringing the voters to the polls, and in that leaflet, I read the appalling statement that in 1896 80 per cent of the voters came to the polls, and four years ago something less than one half, with a steady decline rate. If that steady decline is to persist, what we know in this country as free government is inevitably doomed."

## QUINLAND BOY MAY BE ALIVE

Theory Advanced that Lad May Have Run Away with Convict

Is Eldon Quinland, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Quinland, dead or is he causing grief and worry to his parents from a thoughtless boyish impulse?

This question was raised yesterday after 36 hours of dragging the Willamette river in the vicinity of the place where he was believed to have drowned failed to bring any results.

Not only was the river dragged thoroughly, but yesterday afternoon one of the diving suits belonging to the state highway department was utilized and two experienced divers spent several hours treading the bed of the river without sighting the body. The search, however, was continued last night with the aid of a spotlight on the end of a long thin pipe, which threw beams of light along the river bottom.

Two divers, Lionel Hobson and Ronald Wilson, both inmates of the state prison, donned the diving apparatus in turn and carefully searched every foot of the river. There was sufficient light during the afternoon to see from six to eight feet, Hobson said. Objects at this distance were clearly discernable. The air pump was mounted on a specially built raft and when the diver would reach the end of his 25-foot air hose, the raft would be moved. Men in a rowboat held to the lifeline directed the diver in the search.

Several men who participated in the grappling and who have had considerable experience along this line and are familiar with the river, particularly the eddy in which young Quinland may have lost his life, declare that the body would not leave that portion of the river due to peculiar currents.

The theory arose yesterday that perhaps Quinland, influenced by "Pee-wee" Sherman, 90-pound convict who escaped the same day, that the boy was misled, may have influenced the boy and the two are together. Some of prison officials have received parental and official notice not to talk to the convicts, but boys will be boys in spite of orders.

Sherman was more like a boy than a man, guards say. He was about the same size as the Quinland youth and had been working on the outside laws all summer. His prison clothes were found discarded in the bog pen where he had tied his horse. It is assumed that he had other wearing apparel. The Quinland boy's clothing and his bicycle were found near the diving board at the river with tracks indicating that he had plunged into the river. Could not the convict have influenced the lad, and by careful word portrayal painted a scene of adventure

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## STATESMAN TO GIVE WILLS-FIRPO FIGHT BY MEGAPHONE TODAY

The Wills-Firpo fight returns will be announced to Salem fight fans by megaphone from The Statesman office this evening. Under eastern daylight saving time, the preliminaries are scheduled to start at 8 o'clock p. m., or a few minutes later, which means 5 o'clock Salem time. Should eastern weather be threatening the main event will go on first, so the fans should assemble about 5 o'clock at The Statesman office to make sure of the full benefit of the returns.

As usual The Statesman megaphone man will announce the progress of the fight round by round and blow by blow. So efficiently will the Associated Press service operate between the ringside at Boyle's Thirty Acres and The Statesman office that each blow will be announced in a few seconds after it is delivered.

## R. H. HARTLEY DROPS BEHIND TWO BOYS NOT TO BE HANGED

E. L. French of Vancouver Is 353 Ahead on Face of Latest Reports

SEATTLE, Sept. 11.—Seventeen additional precincts reporting from Gray's Harbor county increased the lead of E. L. French, Vancouver, 353 over Colonel Roland H. Hartley for the republican nomination of governor in Tuesday's primary. Seventy-seven precincts out of 80 in Gray's Harbor county gave French 2881 or a gain of 549, and Hartley 1493, 365 gain. The remaining three precincts are small.

Salem Appeals to Folk from Southern California

Once in a while even a dweller in Los Angeles will acknowledge that the Willamette valley is a rather desirable country in which to live. W. A. Wright, whose home is in that metropolis of the south, said that he had travelled all along the coast, both up and down and that he found Salem, the most beautiful city he had visited, and that the Willamette valley had a greater future than any country he had seen.

## STILL IS FOUND ON GEARIN FARM

Outfit, Mash and Liquor Discovered by Officers Under Barn

A small still, with a maximum capacity of about 25 gallons, was found on the farm owned by Dewey Gearin, several miles north of Saint Paul, and brought to Salem late Tuesday night by Deputy sheriffs. With the exception of a few parts, the entire outfit was taken, as well as a large quantity of mash and about three gallons of moonshine whiskey. Belief is expressed that the owner of the still had been doing an active business, although not such an extensive one as has been possible with a number of the stills that have been confiscated by county officials.

Gearin was not on his place when the raid was made, but word was left for him to appear in justice court yesterday morning, and he was present at the required time. His land holdings in Marion county are of considerable value, it is said.

At the preliminary hearing Gearin insisted that he had had nothing to do with the operation of the still. Insinuations were made that the business had been carried on by his hired man, Irwin Robinson, according to reports.

It was only after the most minute search that the still was found. Its place of concealment being an excavation made underground under the Gearin barn. The place had been searched thoroughly without result, but in going over it a second time a slight irregularity was discovered under the barn, which led to more careful investigation and subsequent discovery of the hole in which the still was kept. The excavation itself measured 4 by 10 feet square, and almost 9 feet deep.

Mr. Gearin is now out on \$400 bail.

## 71 CITIES IN LINE-UP FOR DEFENSE DAY

Salem Went Over Top with Quota Yesterday—Portland Far Ahead of Required Number

OVER 30,000 WILL VOLUNTEER IN OREGON

Ministers, Reserve Corps, National Guard and Others Participating

Seventy-one Oregon cities were in line for a part in Defense Test day Friday and from the early enrollment returns of one-day volunteers over the state prediction was made last night by George A. White, state chairman of the defense test program, that Oregon would easily exceed its quota of 30,000 volunteers.

"Present indications are that more men and women will join our national defense for September than were sent from Oregon to the World war," said General White.

### Green Pins Gone

The last of the green pins on the big state map at defense test headquarters in the Masonic building here came out of the map late yesterday afternoon when the last Oregon city of more than 500 population reported participation. All parts of the state map are dotted with large red pins indicating that the city is taking part in the national program Friday. The majority of the cities are holding parades, enrollment activities and parades. The mayors of a number of cities have declared half holidays for Friday afternoon.

Enrollment of a large number of pastors over the state is taken at defense test headquarters as more than offsetting the actio not the Portland Ministerial association. In a number of places, including Newberg, where a group of ministers opposed the defense test at the outset, the ministerial association is represented upon the active committee in charge of the local program. Dallas reports the enrollment of a group of Mennonites, members of a cult opposed to war and who were among the class of "conscientious objectors" during the World war. Only one town in the state failed to take part, the mayor of Talent, a small settlement in Jackson county, reporting that he was against the defense test.

### Portland Going Strong

Portland's parade of one-day volunteers is listed by defense test headquarters as the largest single feature of the day in Oregon. According to reports reaching here, the parade may reach such proportions that it will not be able to pass until a late hour and the column may not get to the end of the route much before midnight. Portland has reported its quota of 8000 one-day volunteers more than recruited at this time, with enrollment still going on at a rapid rate. The total enrollment is expected to exceed the 15,000 mark in Portland by Friday evening when the parade moves at 8 p. m. from Fourteenth and Columbia streets.

Many cities have completed their total enrollment. Eugene went over the top with its quota of 1400 early in the week and now has a large surplus. Salem yesterday passed its quota, The Dalles, La Grande, Dallas, McMinnville, Astoria, Marshfield, Medford, Cottage Grove, Albany, Lebanon, Silverton, Woodburn, Forest Grove, Tillamook, Corvallis, St. Helens, Oregon City, Hood River, Baker, Ontario and Grants Pass have all reported the filling of their military quotas.

### How They Will Do It

Typical of local participation over the state are the programs arranged for in the following cities:

Baker—Parade of one-day volunteers and exercises in the city park. Mayor declared holiday from 4 p. m.

Corvallis—Parade, patriotic exercises and auto caravan to Memorial and auto caravan to Memorial.

GENERAL CHARLES G. DAWES, G. O. P. NOMINEE FOR VICE PRESIDENT, AND MRS. DAWES



## PACIFIST PASTORS SOUNDLY PLAYED

General George A. White Says They Are Blind to Significant Facts

Pacifist pastors who remain blind to the fact that non-Christian and uncivilized nations of the world outnumber the Christian nations two to one and regard our God as an intruder, were soundly played yesterday afternoon by the defense test program, that Oregon would easily exceed its quota of 30,000 volunteers.

McMinnville—Parade, patriotic exercises under the auspices of the American legion and military demonstration by local national guard company.

Medford—Parade and miniature reproduction of battle of St. Mihiel at fair grounds.

Albany—Parade and patriotic exercises.

Newport—Parade and patriotic exercises. Half holiday declared by the mayor.

Eugene—Parade and patriotic program.

Salem—Parade arena patriotic exercises in local armory.

At Full War Strength The Oregon national guard is already at full war strength throughout the state and ready to mobilize Friday. The normal strength of the guard in the state is 3000 men and with the one-day volunteers it now has 8000 men on the rolls. The various units of the national guard over the state will not be called upon to assemble at any fixed hour but will participate at the hour set for the local parade and program in each locality, according to orders sent out from national guard headquarters. All must report their mobilization and full war strength by 8 p. m.

Eight hundred reserve corps officers over the state have received enrollment forms from state headquarters and each officer allotted a quota of not less than 10 men. These rolls, completely filled with the names of the one-day volunteers are now being received back at defense test headquarters in large numbers and will be used to complete the state's military quota for the organized reserve.

State Gets Full Credit The state gets credit for all volunteers enrolling and for all appearing for parade as well. Joining in the parade counts as enrollment, it was explained at headquarters. No restriction as to age is placed on enrolling or marching.

Women are reported as enrolling in large numbers. Auxiliaries to patriotic organizations such as the American legion, Spanish War Veterans, Grand Army, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Disabled Veterans, are signing up as organizations in some places.

All of these are being assigned for the day to the army nurse corps whose quota will be exceeded

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## MR. COREY PRODS NEWTON MCCOY

Service Commission Chairman Also Has Gentle Fling at Wagon

H. H. Corey, chairman of the public service commission, brands as "political chicanery" the recent inferences of Newton McCoy, attorney member of the commission, that a majority of the commission engaged in star chamber conferences with railroad representatives relative to the farm products rate issue.

Also Corey takes a prod at H. D. Wagon, Jr., secretary of the motor transportation department of the commission, whom he refers to as "Mr. McCoy's personal representative whose duty it is to keep Mr. McCoy informed of the minutest detail of all that transpires in the commission's offices."

"I had hoped," said Corey, that it would not be necessary to carry the controversy further through the press concerning this commission's recent order reducing rates on farm products within the state, which order is now before the circuit court of Marion county on an appeal by the carriers alleging confiscatory rates therein.

The order referred to by Corey is the modified order of Corey and T. K. Campbell, the majority members of the commission, made after the original order had been remanded to the commission by the court. The modified order fixes the farm products rates at a higher figure than the original order, but keeps them lower than the rates now prevailing and which the original order was designed to supplant.

"At a conference held at Walla Walla between a spokesman of the carriers, Mr. McCoy and myself," continued Corey, "a postponement of the hearing date set for this commission's order was agreed to pending an opportunity for conference in an attempt to arrive at a compromise in order to avoid a long-drawn-out controversy through the courts and the withholding of relief to the shippers of the state during the interim."

"At the first conference H. D. Wagon, Jr., Mr. McCoy's personal representative whose duty it is to keep Mr. McCoy informed of the minutest detail of all that transpires in the commission's offices, was present during the entire proceeding. Mr. McCoy, upon his return to the office, was at once advised by his colleagues and employees of the commission of all that transpired at said conference. However, he refused to participate in the last conference. The same pains were taken to fully inform him of all that transpired at the second conference.

"We did not, however, arrive at a satisfactory compromise at either conference. The majority members then issued the present order, which, in their opinion, was reasonable and nondiscriminatory, and returned it to the court. The majority members of the commission were influenced by the knowledge of rate making possessed by two of its three rate experts, who have had many years of practical experience.

"Mr. McCoy intimates that some great wrong was done the shippers in not being asked to be present at these meetings. He fails to realize that this rate case was

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## 2 YOUTHS ARE JOVIAL UNDER PREDICAMENT

Leopold and Loeb Laugh and Joke with Guards in County Jail as They Await Removal to Prison

FEAST SERVED UP TO "LIFERS" IN CELLS

Chocolate Eclairs, Juicy Steaks and Many Side Dishes on Menu

CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—Nathan Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb, their future plotted in drab cells at the Illinois state penitentiary, passed what probably marked their last day in Cook county jail today in a mood akin to jovial.

Awaiting final preparations of papers which would formally establish them as "lifers"—and under a decision hoping against pardon or parole—the two youths were also to joke and laugh over the prospects of their new predicament.

Last Light Remarks. "I don't see how we can serve ninety years and live at the same time," Leopold remarked to his guard. "We are in from now on, so it doesn't make any difference when you take us down," Loeb told an attaché of the sheriff's office who visited his cell to confirm details of personal history for commitment papers.

Judge Caverly, freed from the burden which has been his since July 21, sat pensively over the papers carried to his hotel suite tonight for signature. There remained then only the preparation of the formal history of the case by State's Attorney Robert E. Crowe before the automobile journey to Joliet, some forty miles south, began.

Nathan Leopold, Sr., aged and grieved parent will have his namesake and heir serve out his time. "Surely, surely," he replied in broken voice when asked if he would be satisfied to have his son remain in the penitentiary for life.

Loeb Sr. Says Little "There is but little to say," said Jacob Loeb, uncle of Richard. "We have been spared the extreme penalty, but what have these two families to look forward to."

State's Attorney Crowe indicated that all arrangements to move the boys to Joliet tonight had been completed but asserted that the transfer was within the jurisdiction of himself, Peter Hoffman, who had not decided early tonight upon final details for the removal. The boys, meanwhile at the jail in which they passed 112 days, resumed the humdrum routine of the trial days—except in the matter of diet, in which they appeared in a final rack against an uncharted future.

## NEW BUILDING IS TEMPORARY

Methodists Plan Permanent Sunday School Structure in Three Years

It has been definitely decided that the new Sunday school plant now being constructed by the First Methodist church of Salem will be supplanted in three years by a modern, up to date, permanent structure. This decision was reached at a meeting of the official board at the same time the final steps were taken towards going ahead with the present temporary building.

Work on the new building begins in earnest this morning. Tuesday and Wednesday were spent in removing some old buildings and stacks of wood occupying the site of the new plant, which is immediately behind the Methodist church at State and Church streets.

Lumber began to arrive yesterday afternoon, and the foundation timbers were set in place. The work is being done by volunteer labor. Ten or twelve men have given their services during the past two days, and a number more are expected this morning. The cost of the building is estimated at \$2000, the expectation being that practically all of this sum will go into materials.