

**The Weather**  
OREGON—Partly cloudy  
east and south; unsettled; rain northwest; moderate temperature; southerly winds. Friday—Max. 54; Min. 38; River 2.6 falling; Rainfall none; Atmosphere clear; Wind west.

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## CHAMPIONSHIP OF OREGON IS GOAL TONIGHT

Choice Now Lies Between Salem, Franklin, McMinnville and Eugene High School Basketball Teams

## FRIDAY ELIMINATES FOUR MORE QUINTETS

Astoria, Hood River, Pendleton and Arago Follow Medford and Wallowa

**FRIDAY SCORES**  
Salem 22, Astoria 12.  
Eugene 39, Hood River 6.  
Franklin 18, Pendleton 13.  
McMinnville 37, Arago 16.  
Games Today:  
2:30—Salem vs. McMinnville.  
3:30—Franklin vs. Eugene.  
5:30—Astoria vs. Pendleton.  
Winner of Salem vs. McMinnville plays winner of Franklin vs. Eugene for state championship.

The basketball championship of the state now lies between four teams, Salem, Franklin, Eugene and McMinnville as a result of Friday playing. In the opening game yesterday Salem defeated Astoria by the score of 22-12; McMinnville defeated Arago to the tune of 37-16, while the evening games went to Eugene and Franklin; Eugene taking Hood River in by the decisive score of 39-6, and Franklin nosing out Pendleton by the score of 18-13.

The final game played last night was the feature game of the tournament up to the present time. In the first quarter neither team was able to get the ball in striking distance of the opposing basket. The play was rough, however, and both teams scored by converting fouls. The score at the end of the quarter stood 5-2 in favor of Pendleton.

**Pendleton Shows Fight**  
In the second period both teams made desperate attempts to score on long shots, but neither were able to convert. Franklin finally broke the ice by converting a free throw. Pendleton came back with a terrific offensive that enabled Sager, forward, to get within striking distance and score a basket. Pendleton converted another free throw. Franklin got possession of the ball near the end of the period and Scallon finally worked in and scored the second basket of the game, beating the timer's gun by a split second. The half ended 8-5 in favor of Pendleton.

**Both Teams Score**  
In the third quarter both teams were able to score, Pendleton gathering 5 points to Franklin's 3. Scallon tried several long shots but was unable to hit the basket, although Sager, Pendleton forward, gathered one. The period ended 13-8 in favor of Pendleton. Franklin started their winning offense in the final period that kept Pendleton on the defensive most of the time. After several desperate attempts Scallon, Franklin forward, broke through and shot the basket that gave Franklin a 14-12 lead. Scallon followed with another basket. Lawrence converted a third field goal and the score stood 18-13 in favor of Franklin. Pendleton made several desperate attempts to score, but were unable to keep possession of the ball. A foul was called on Pendleton late in the final period that Scallon failed to convert after the final gun, leaving the score at 18-13.

Scallon, Franklin forward, was the high point man of the game with a total of 9 points to his credit. Sager starred for Pendleton by gathering in 5 points.

**Eugene Easy Winner**  
In the opening game of the night series Eugene had an easy win over Hood River with a one-sided score of 39-6.

The first quarter was fast, although Hood River was on the defensive most of the time. The score at the end of the period stood 7-2 in favor of Eugene. In the next period Hood River was unable to score or to stop the Eugene offense. The score at the end of the half stood 19-2 in favor of Eugene.

Hood River was still unable to score in the third quarter, although the Eugene offensive ran wild and gathered a total of 13

## Willamette Debate Team Leaving Next Week Upon 3500 Mile Speaking Tour

Willamette University's debate squad will leave here Tuesday night for a tour of the south and middle west where they will meet a number of the leading debate colleges of the country. Two men will make the trip for Willamette, Charles Redding and Joel Berreman. These two men were the team that defeated the West Virginia squad here recently.

Charles Redding is a first year man at Willamette. He comes from Ft. Dodge, Ia., where he has had four years of high school debate experience including the leadership of an Iowa State championship squad.

Mr. Berreman is a sophomore and has had no previous experience in debating, although he has had considerable training in public speaking in other lines.

The men will travel from here to Stockton, Calif., where they will

meet the College of the Pacific on March 20. From Stockton they will go to Los Angeles to meet the University of Southern California on March 24. From Los Angeles they will travel to Redlands to meet the University of Redlands on March 25.

The first break in the schedule comes after the Redlands debate when the team will travel over the Southern Pacific to El Paso, Tex., and then north over the Santa Fe route to Denver where they will meet the University of Denver in an open forum debate.

The team will then meet the University of Wyoming the following Monday, March 30, at Laramie, Wyo. From here the men go to Caldwell, Idaho, to meet the College of Idaho.

From Caldwell the traveling team will go to Portland and then

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## COOLIDGE MAY PROPOSE NEW ARMS PROJECT

Developments of League of Nations Disarmament Protocol Pave Way for Calling of Conference

## KELLOGG WILL BE ASKED TO SUBMIT STATEMENTS

Proposal May Be Simultaneously Placed Before Various Powers

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Recent developments affecting the league of nations disarmament and security protocol are believed by President Coolidge to have opened the way for further consideration here of the announced project for the calling of a new arms limitation conference by the United States.

As soon as the fate of the league protocol is made known definitely it is the purpose of the president to take up the question in a serious way with Secretary Kellogg, information emanating from General Information reaching the Washington government only through unofficial channels.

For that reason officials will await authentic advice before taking any step approaching a formal presentation of the conference idea to the nations interested. None of the powers thus far have been actually approached on the subject.

At present Mr. Coolidge favors submitting his project simultaneously to the various powers. This step would involve action by the American ambassadors in London, Paris, Rome and Tokio under instructions given them by Secretary Kellogg. The procedure at that stage would be for the diplomatic representatives in the four countries to ascertain the reactions of the various governments.

It is the hope of President Coolidge that the reactions of each of the governments will be favorable to participation in the armaments conference. If it should develop, however, that the ambassadors encounter opposition to the conference proposal or are informed that any one of the governments decline to participate, it is the present intention of President Coolidge to have the Washington government go forward with the project with such others as are agreeable.

Austin Chamberlain, the British secretary for foreign affairs, already has been quoted here as stating Great Britain's willingness to participate in an armaments limitation conference called under the auspices of the United States.

The president is anxious that the conference, whenever called, should discuss both land and naval armaments. He realizes that the United States' land forces have been reduced to a minimum and that the Washington government has little or nothing to offer others to induce them to follow its example.

On the subject of naval armaments as well as land armaments the American policy will be one of moral appeal, not in any way marked by coercion. The policy in the main is designed to be one of helpfulness to those powers which are desirous of ridding themselves of burdensome armament budgets and to promote harmonious accord between nations in achieving that goal.

## MISS BALLOU DIES IN PASADENA, CAL.

She Was Once One of the Best Known Teachers of the Salem Schools

Word has been received in Salem of the death at Pasadena, Cal., on Thursday morning, March 12, of Miss Orville Ballou, sister of Mrs. A. F. Hofer.

Miss Ballou was at one time one of the best known and most popular teachers of the Salem public schools. She lived at the A. F. Hofer home.

After the death of A. F. Hofer the family removed to Pasadena, Cal., and Miss Ballou has since resided with Mrs. Hofer in that city.

Miss Ballou suffered from an attack of the flu during the holiday season. Further than that, no particulars are so far known here.

## CZECHO-SLAVIC PARTY PLEASED WITH CLIMATE

Willamette Valley Similar to Old Home in Bohemia Declares Charles Zerzan, Portland Representative

## FLAX INDUSTRY AT PRISON SURPRISING

Visitors Have Eyes Opened With Magnitude of Work Being Carried on Here

"The climate of Bohemia, which is the old home of the Czech-Slovak, is like the Willamette valley, which has impressed our party very much," declared Charles Zerzan, president of the American Czech-Slovak Chamber of Commerce in Portland, in commenting about his impressions of the Willamette valley.

The introduction to the flax industry here is a marvel and nowhere else in the world are the operations carried on in such a scale. Everything has reminded the people of this party of their old home and they are pleased."

Such was the comment made by various members of the delegation which was entertained at the Lions Friday in co-operation with the Chamber of Commerce and later were taken for a visit to the Oregon prison flax industry.

**Oregon Is Liked**  
"We have been considering the land of Oregon for our people who are centered in Chicago and other eastern parts of the east. Descriptive literature has been sent them, but that is dry and uninteresting. The only way to get them interested was to have them visit this state," declared Mr. Zerzan.

"There are 400,000 Czech-Slovaks around Chicago who are ready to return to the soil. They have found that the industrial conditions of the great cities do not agree with them. They are ready to return to the farm and attempts are now being made to get them here. At first they did not have enough money to buy the high-priced lands of the middle west, but now they are ready to make purchases. They have accumulated funds and are looking around to settle. Willamette valley will appeal to the majority of the settlers because of the type of land of this section. It is adapted to diversified farming and that is of a great appeal to our people."

**Appeal Is Answered**  
The appeal of the west was answered by a party of Czech-Slovak who organized themselves at Chicago and have spent the past three weeks touring Oregon.

Frank J. Parisil of Chicago was interested and he and J. M. Kotch with Joseph Simon of Cicero, Ill., formed a party to come to Oregon. Parisil and Kotch are secretaries of the Chicago Chamber of Commerce of the American Czech-Slovak association. This party was joined by Dr. Norris of Springfield, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. J. Palecek.

The party has toured various

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## FLAX EXPERT WILL DISCUSS PROBLEMS

Robert Crawford Will Talk to Salem Chamber of Commerce on Flax

Flax, the vital question of interest in the Willamette valley, will be carefully explained by Robert Crawford, superintendent of the state flax industry at the regular meeting of the Salem Chamber of Commerce Monday noon. "Flax—Our Coming Industry" is the topic announced by the flax expert, and members of the Salem organization are to get the latest things on the flax industry in this community.

Mr. Crawford had made an enviable reputation by his work in flax while in this community and has been under the regime of three different governors of Oregon, and is still on the job at the present time.

B. C. Miles, president of the Miles Linn company, has been selected as chairman of the day and will introduce the speaker.

## Friday the Thirteenth Proves Unlucky Day in Life of Salem People

Friday the Thirteenth left a string of hard luck stories in the city before taking its leave at midnight.

While driving to the Southern Pacific station with a truckload of mail about 9:30 o'clock last night, Driver Viecco lost control of his machine at Twelfth and Oak and the truck landed in the bottom of a ditch full of water. More than a ton of mail was on board. Efforts to raise the machine met with failure at a late hour. The driver escaped without injury but the truck was badly wrecked. Loss of control was given as the cause of the accident.

Henry Davis, 30, a laborer, was taken to the Salem hospital by the Golden Ambulance service Friday morning after he had received a compound fracture of the left leg while employed as stevedoring on the river steamer "Northwestern" at the Court street dock. He was

resting easier last night.

H. R. Peetz did not want to ride in an automobile while it was headed for a ditch, so jumped from the moving machine between Salem and Turner. After turning some somersaults he got to his feet, but found that his left arm was hanging limp—fractured at the wrist.

"I do not want to jump any more," Mr. Peetz said yesterday, as he carried his arm in a sling.

The jinx also followed the job hunting game and proved to be very persistent, according to one job hunter. Three different times he was sent out to work from the federal employment bureau but each time his quest met with no success.

The first trip outside was to a place where the job had already been given to another worker. The

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## SENATORS ARE URGED TO AID IN NOMINATION

President Coolidge Requests Administration Leaders to Fight Hard for Charles B. Warren

## CONFERENCE IS CALLED TO PRESENT APPROVAL

Full Weight of His Personal Influence Is Thrown in By President

WASHINGTON, March 13.—President Coolidge passed along the word today to administration leaders in the senate to fight hard for confirmation of Charles B. Warren to be attorney general.

Undismayed by the action of the judiciary committee earlier in the day in ordering an adverse report on the nomination, 9 to 7, after having approved it twice before, the executive called in several senate leaders tonight to impress upon them his earnest desire that Mr. Warren's qualifications be vigorously presented in the senate when the nomination is called up again tomorrow in open session.

The president threw the full weight of his personal influence behind the nomination his conferees including Senators Borah of Idaho and McMaster of South Dakota, two of the republicans who refused to follow the party organization when the appointment was rejected by the senate last Tuesday on a tie vote.

Republican leaders were hopeful that there might be a change in the result, but their latest canvasses in the senate still indicated that they would be worse off than they were on the first vote. Attention was called that several opponents absent then will be present tomorrow. They are making last efforts, however, to pair up some of their absentees and to dissipate some of this potential strength for the other side.

**Advantage Is Held**  
With the adverse report from the committee, opponents will hold a parliamentary advantage on the floor since they will have charge of the report. They still were undecided tonight as to the exact course they would follow in making the fight, but Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, said he might demand a straight out vote on confirmation in which event a tie

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## EVIDENCE HELD VERY DAMAGING

Shepherd Severely Grilled By State Attorney; Doctor Is Questioned

CHICAGO, March 13.—William I. Shepherd, foster father of the late William Nelson McClintock, "millionaire orphan" who died last December of typhoid fever, was called out of bed at midnight tonight and escorted to the state attorney's office by half a dozen detectives after Dr. Charles F. Patton, head of the National University of Sciences, had declared that Shepherd had questioned him about how to administer typhoid germs to a person without leaving a trace.

As soon as Shepherd reached the state attorney's office he was hustled before Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney, and several assistants, who started a rapid fire of questioning that appeared likely to last for hours. Dr. Patton was held in custody after long hours of questioning with the probability that he will be brought before Shepherd to repeat his story. Even before Shepherd, principal heir to the estate of the young millionaire orphan, had reached the state attorney's office, his attorney put in his appearance there, having gained word of the latest sensational developments in the three-months' investigation of McClintock's death. Shortly after 1 o'clock detectives left the state attorney's office for the Kendallworth home of the Shepherds with orders to bring Mrs. Shepherd to the office at once for questioning

## PINES TREATY NOW RATIFIED

Senate Favors Turning Over Sovereignty of Isle of Pines to Cuba

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The senate ratified the Isle of Pines treaty today with minor reservations. Sent the Lausanne treaty to reestablish relations with Turkey back to committee and voted 76 to 2 to make the world court question a special order for next December 17.

The vote of the senate, 63 to 14, to ratify the pact by which the United States relinquishes in favor of Cuba all claims to sovereignty over the Isle of Pines was described as highly gratifying to President Coolidge, but not so the action in putting over until the next session consideration of the Lausanne treaty.

With early adjournment of the senate in prospect, President Coolidge communicated to Chairman Borah of the foreign relations committee, his desire for early ratification of the Turkish treaty, but a canvass of the situation in the senate convinced Mr. Borah that the two thirds majority necessary for ratification could not be had. Consequently he moved to send the convention back to his committee.

Even after this action had been taken, Secretary Kellogg conferred at length with Senator Borah on the subject but there was no indication that the senator had changed his views that to press the treaty at this time would result only in its rejection since practically all of the democrats are opposed to it. With action by the senate deferred until the regular session in December this country would be without diplomatic and commercial relations with Turkey and advice have reached the White House that the situation may prove embarrassing both to Americans in Turkey and to those having trade with that country.

## ARMY-NAVY TO TEST DEFENSE

Hawaiian Islands Will Be Used as Base of Military Strategy

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 13.—(By Associated Press.)—Naval strategists as well as military strategists and marine corps leaders, are looking forward to the joint army-navy maneuvers next month which will provide for the first time an actual test of the dual attack and defense of the Hawaiian islands.

Officers of high commands say that no practical maneuver of this magnitude has yet been undertaken by military science in time of peace. The three great departments of national defense, army, navy and marine corps, will perform major tasks. All arms of the military service will be actively represented, land defenses of big gun batteries and all component parts of the army, including aircraft, maritime striking arms, including capital ships and all arms of sea power, including naval aircraft and the auxiliary to naval defense and offense, marine corps with landing forces of all branches, including marine corps artillery.

## LICENSE IS LOST BY PORTLAND MAN

Cannot Drive Machine for Year and Also Pays \$100 Fine; Seeks Sympathy

Governor Pierce has been asked by P. Shellenburg of Portland for executive clemency. Shellenburg is the first victim of the new law providing heavy penalties for driving while intoxicated. He was arrested near Hood River, plead guilty and was fined \$100. In addition he lost his driver's license for a year, which is causing him considerable worry. Unless he gets this back his wife will have to act as his personal chauffeur.

According to Shellenburg, he and his wife were on the way to a friend's home in the country and intended to partake of an egg nog for his health. The eggs were in the country and Shellenburg was bringing the liquid portion, about a pint with him. On the way he had a slight automobile accident with another machine. A state traffic officer investigated, found the liquor and placed him under arrest. Shellenburg insisted that he was not drunk, but admitted having taken a drink.

Under the law, Senate Bill No. 75 by Senator Eddy of Roseburg, a first offender is subject to a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500; 60 days in jail, but not to exceed six months; revocation of the driver's license and the automobile confiscated for a period not less than 30 days nor more than six months.

The judge was kind and handed out the minimum fine and revoked the license for a year. The vehicle was not confiscated.

**SENTENCE IMPOSED**  
SEATTLE, March 13.—Gus Martz, 56, convicted here in January of killing John Yonka, 72, in a brawl in October, was sentenced today to 15 years in the state penitentiary.

## NINE CONVICTS GET CLEMENCY

Governor Pierce Forced to Delay Official Action During Legislature

Executive clemency in nine cases were filed with the secretary of state Friday by Governor Pierce. The number was exceptionally heavy due to the fact that additional duties during the legislative session prevented action being taken. The list included two conditional pardons, three commutations of sentences and four restorations to citizenship. Executive clemency did not include action taken upon various paroles.

Conditions pardons were issued as follows:

Robert Bruce—Convicted in Lane county for attempted burglary not in a dwelling and sentenced to serve from one to two years.

Mike Gomez—Convicted in Lane county for larceny and sentenced to serve three years. Conditionally pardoned to be turned over to federal authorities for deportation to Mexico.

The commuted sentences were: Ed Canning—Convicted in Clackamas county for obtaining money and goods under false pretenses and received at the penitentiary June 28, 1922, to serve four years. Committed to three years.

William Brinkley—Convicted in Columbia county for larceny and received at the penitentiary June 13, 1921, to serve 10 years. Committed to six years.

Fred Williams—Convicted in Benton county for assault while armed with a dangerous weapon, and received at the penitentiary May 24, 1920, to serve 10 years. Committed to seven years.

The four whose citizenship was restored had all been paroled and since had lived law-abiding lives were:

Fred Shields—Convicted in Multnomah county for assault with intent to rob, and received at

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## STOKES FREED OF CONSPIRACY

Jury Returns Not Guilty Verdict After Two Ballots; Court Applauds

CHICAGO, March 13.—W. E. D. Stokes, millionaire New York hotel owner, and Robert F. Lee, Chicago negro, were acquitted late today of conspiracy to defame Mrs. Helen Elwood Stokes.

The jury returned a verdict for the 73-year-old defendant after deliberating one hour and five minutes. Two ballots showing 11 to 1 for acquittal were taken before agreement was reached on the third.

Only one ballot was necessary to free the negro.

Aside from the verdict, the last day of the trial had an added thrill in an angry encounter between Mrs. Stokes and Miss Marion L. Brophy, the private secretary who had been in close attendance on the aged millionaire throughout the five weeks he had been before the bar.

Mrs. Stokes was not in court when the verdict was rendered. A small demonstration of hand-clapping greeted the verdict, despite the warning of Judge W. N. Gemmill that he would countenance no outburst.

Mr. Stokes was highly elated. His face was wreathed in smiles as he thanked the jury and posed with them for photographers.

"I am surprised; I have nothing else to say," was the comment of Milton D. Smith, assistant state's attorney, who led the long fight to send the aged millionaire to the penitentiary for the state alleged, illegally trying to prove that his young wife once was a member of the notorious Everleigh club which flourished in Chicago 15 years ago.

Mr. Stokes told the jury: "You have given me justice and I am thankful to you all."

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## SENATE BILL HAS NO REVENUE AID

Payment of Administrative Expenses Not Included in Recent Measure

Senate bill 216 of the 73rd legislative assembly, to protect the title to motor vehicles within Oregon, and which becomes effective May 28, 1925, makes no provision for the payment of the administrative expenses in connection with its operation, and the attorney general has advised Sam A. Koser, secretary of state, that the moneys received from motor vehicle licenses are not available for the payment of any other expenses than such as may be incurred incident to the issuing of such licenses.

When the budget estimates of the requirements of the secretary of state were prepared for the years 1925 and 1926 no other expenses than what were then authorized by law were taken into consideration. Consequently, the legislative appropriation for the expenses of the department of state for 1925 and 1926 includes provision for only the ordinary then

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## THREE-DAY ART EXHIBIT ENDED

Highland School Has First Opportunity to See Pictures; Others Soon

A three-day art exhibit, equivalent to a splendid short course in appreciation, as far as the children were concerned, closed last night at Highland school. The exhibit, with arrangements being made through the Edison company, consisted of more than 200 carbon photographs, photo-grams and sepia and hand-colored prints. These average in size 24 by 36 inches, and all in all afforded a distinct educational treat for the children. Such masterpieces of standing as Sir Galahad, The Song of the Lark, had all the others are faithfully reproduced. Of particular interest was the group of historical pictures, showing, for instance, "Washington Crossing the Delaware," "The Signing of the Declaration of Independence," and many others. A third interesting group are portrait studies

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