

The Weather - OREGON - Cloudy, becoming unsettled; rain northwest; temperature same; moderate variable winds southerly on coast. Wednesday - Max. 55; Min. 34; River 3.4; Rainfall none; Atmosphere clear; Wind NE.

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SEVENTY-FOURTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 19, 1925

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SHEPHERD NOW HELD IN JAIL FOR POISONING

Charges That Foster-Father of McClintock Committed Murder Is Made By Court Indictment

FAIMAN NOT JAILED BY AUTHORITIES; IS HELD

Head of Science School Admits Giving Shepherd Typhoid Bacteria

CHICAGO, March 18.—(By Associated Press.)—Jail doors closed on William Darling Shepherd late today after his counsel had failed in a hard fight to keep the attorney and heir to \$1,000,000 from meeting immediate service on an indictment charging he murdered young William Nelson McClintock, his foster son, by administering typhoid fever germs and subtle poisons.

C. C. Faiman, head of a science school named with Shepherd in an indictment of 22 counts after he told Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney, that he had supplied the fatal typhoid bacilli and taught Shepherd how to feed them to the youth, was not jailed. He was held in custody of the state's attorney and indications are that he would not face imprisonment in a cell until after Shepherd's trial.

Shepherd through his counsel, William Scott Stewart, demanded immediate freedom on bail but it finally was agreed to go into matters of bail next Saturday. Shepherd was not called upon to enter a plea today, but Stewart announced that "our plea is, has been, and will be not guilty."

"Our charge is that this is a giant conspiracy in which the defendant is about to be deprived of his rights under a will," said Stewart.

The testimony of only one man, Faiman, was all the material evidence the state had. Stewart told Judge Jacob H. Hopkins, chief justice of the criminal courts, in his fruitless effort to save Shepherd from a cell.

A few moments before Shepherd was locked up Peter Hoffman, sheriff, was called into a hurried conference with Prosecutor Crowe over what was termed new and important evidence against Shepherd.

As a result of it a man described as a prominent insurance company officer was brought in.

Sheriff Hoffman said his testimony would be so startling that other persons would be drawn into the investigation and that probably other bodies would be exhumed.

It was thought that the bodies of Dr. Oscar Olson, brother of Judge Harry H. Olson and Mrs. McClintock, mother of "Billy" were meant.

NEW DISASTER SWEEPS TOKIO

Ten Thousand Are Homeless When Conflagration Rolls Over Whole Section

TOKIO, March 19.—(By The Associated Press.)—Ten thousand persons were homeless, 300 injured, 20 missing and 2000 houses were destroyed in a conflagration that swept over northeastern Tokyo last night, a police check of the situation revealed. A barracks is being constructed to house the homeless and a subscription list headed by the emperor is providing immediate relief funds.

TOKIO, March 19.—(By The Associated Press.)—There was no loss of life in the fire which yesterday swept northern Tokyo between Nippori station and Ueyo.

\$4,000,000 BLAZE HITS PALM BEACH; TWO HOTELS LOST

Whole City Threatened by Enormous Conflagration; Rumors of Heavy Loss of Life Not Verified by Police; Famous Hoteliers Are Reduced to Ashes in Afternoon Blaze

PALM BEACH, Fla., March 18.—Fire late today destroyed the famous Breakers hotel, wiped out the smaller Palm Beach hotel and for hours held a threat of destruction over the entire northern section of this celebrated winter playground of the wealthy.

Beginning shortly after 4 o'clock in the Breakers, the fire was fanned by a brisk sea breeze and was not brought under control until shortly before 9 o'clock tonight. In addition to the hotels, from which numerous wealthy patrons were compelled to flee with little thought of saving their possessions, a number of cottages were burned and the property loss was estimated between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000.

Rumors that guests had perished in the Breakers and the Palm Beach were current as the flames hurled blazing embers into the air along Lake Worth, but none had been confirmed late tonight.

An elderly man and woman were reported burned to death in the Breakers, and two small children and their nurse were said to be missing from the same hotel. Parents of the children were searching frantically tonight in the ruins, for them but neither would give their names.

For a time tonight, the Royal Poinciana, another famous hotel, and the almost equally celebrated Bradley's club, appeared sure to provide fuel for the sweeping flames, and the guests were ordered to leave. These structures were saved, however, although the Poinciana barracks and a number of shops were destroyed.

SARGENT NOW IN NEW POST

Attorney General's Office Is Filled; Officials Are Greeted

WASHINGTON, March 18.—John Garibaldi Sargent became attorney general of the United States today.

Two days ago he was a private citizen in a little village in Vermont. At 2 p. m. today he arrived here. An hour later he took the oath of office as field marshal of the law enforcement arm of the federal government. Meanwhile his day was getting busier every moment. The inevitable news photographers were arriving. They reached the department of justice in three distinct battalions and with a subservience not wholly in keeping with his gigantic frame—Mr. Sargent is more than six feet tall—the attorney general posed. Then for the first time since receiving his appointment he hastened to the White House for a conference with the president. He was there an hour with the president, his friend since boyhood. Immediately afterward he went back to the department to meet officials there, most of whom he had never seen.

More than a score of alleged looters who had attempted to profit from the fire which late today and tonight wiped out the Breakers and Palm Beach hotels and a number of cottages in the famous winter resort just across Lake Worth from this city were arrested. A company of Florida national guardsmen, meanwhile, watched all highways leading from the city and guarded the bridges leading from Palm Beach. Most of the prisoners were negroes and the police here and at Palm Beach had jewels, money and clothing valued at many thousands of dollars for the guests who were driven precipitately from the hotels when the fire started. In addition, trunks, furniture and other articles valued at \$50,000 were assembled under guard in a vacant space adjacent to the Palm Beach hotel site.

SENATOR McNARY FOR RECLAMATION

Work Is Declared of Greatest Importance for Stability of Country

Portraying a bright future for settlers on government reclamation projects, Senator McNary, republican, Oregon, declared in the senate today that "it is of the greatest importance to the stability of the country that the great

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SENATE CLOSE SESSION; END FIERY DEBATE

Stormy Special Session Brought to Close; Intensity and Feeling Characterize Whole Period

BREACH WITH WHITE HOUSE HELD SEVERE

Failure of Assembly to Confirm Warren Nomination Is Dominant

WASHINGTON, March 18.—The senate adjourned sine die today, bringing to an end the stormy special session which began on March 4.

The close saw no abatement of the intensity and feeling that characterized the entire session, resulting in a breach with the White House.

President Coolidge continued to the very last to challenge senatorial opinions on his nominations, submitting the name of Thomas F. Woodstock of New York to be a member of the interstate commerce commission, which the senate failed to confirm at the last session.

As in the case of Charles B. Warren to be attorney general, the senate accepted the issue with the president by refusing again to give its approval to the Woodstock nomination. It was not even considered by the interstate commerce committee to which it was referred. Friends of the president now believe he will give Mr. Woodstock a recess appointment.

Opening on March 4 with a fiery speech by Vice President Dawes who aroused the senators by his denunciation of senate rules, the special session was almost as turbulent in its last hours.

Most of the day was spent in reviewing the old scores that have divided the senate into a group of small factions and wound up by Senator Trammell, democrat, Florida, denouncing his colleagues for adjourning without acting on his resolution to investigate the price of gasoline.

Debate covered a wide field, including discussion of Teapot Dome Muscle Shoals, the Warren nomination and federal waterpower. Then, just before the senators agreed to quit and go home, they heard a discourse by Senator Stanfield, republican, Oregon, on the need for better homes.

The senate did confirm in rapid order and in open session, however, a large number of nominations that were forwarded during the closing hours from the White House. There was no discussion or any roll call on any of them and they were accepted without a single murmur of protest.

With the adjournment, congress closed down until the first Monday in December unless the president calls a special session, which he has shown no disposition to do.

MEN'S GLEE CLUB STARTS UPON TOUR

Twenty-First Annual Trip Will Take Songsters Thru Washington

Willamette university Men's Glee club will start on its annual two weeks' trip through northern Oregon and western Washington Friday. This is the 21st season that the Willamette club has made a trip similar to this. This year's program will include stunts, college songs, classical music, solos and quartet numbers. Those who will make the trip this year are as follows: First tenors—Milton Gralapp, Joe Lane, Harold Mumford, Dan Schriber,

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GRAPHIC STORY IS TOLD OF TORNADO DISASTER IN EAST

Hundreds of Bodies of Little Children Are Removed From School Building

CENTRALIA, Ill., March 18.—(By The Associated Press.)—A graphic eye witness account of the destruction of the De Soto public school, and the widespread damage there was told by Max Burton, telegraph operator for the Illinois Central railroad at Tammaroa, about 2 1/2 miles from the scene of the disaster. Burton hastened to the little town immediately after receiving word of the disaster.

Rescue workers were piling bodies of little children on mattresses and blankets on the playground outside the school house," Burton said. "It seemed there was no one there to claim them. Their parents were being taken to hospitals on special trains and in ambulances.

"The hallways of the school house had been blown in and the passageway was covered with bricks. The few people engaged in rescuing them could not get into them. I saw about 20 bodies and while I was there they carried some away, meanwhile others were being brought out of the wrecked building.

"A few yards behind the school house in a field near the city limits I saw the bodies of two little babies about six or eight months old. Both were dead and their clothes torn off."

"The principal of the school was on hand and he was trying to identify the bodies of the pupils, also worrying over the whereabouts and safety of two girl teachers, who were unaccounted for. The principal was bloody from his injuries and staggered in his walk. He had barely escaped with his life.

"By this time the school building was a mass of smouldering ruins, fire having destroyed what the cyclone had not. The hallway of the school house had caved in and what few teachers were on hand were trying to uncover the bodies of pupils and locate the two missing teachers.

"I walked out beyond the school grounds. Every tree was left standing and every fence had garments, bed clothes and household goods blown against the west side of them. It looked to me like the storm began in the west and traveled eastward. I saw furniture, automobile tops and clothing scattered everywhere and saw people fleeing from the town with hardly any garments on.

STUDENTS BACK WINNING TEAM

Thomas Allen Is Named General Manager of "Salem to Chicago" Campaign

Thomas Allen, member of the senior class of the Salem high school was elected general manager of the "Salem to Chicago" campaign which has been put under way by the Associated student body of the local high school. Dennis Heenan, who is a member of the champion basketball team of the Oregon state basketball tournament, in addition to being an all-state football star, and Francis Lutz, are to assist in the drive.

Already the Associated student body has shown its appreciation of the team's work by contributing a total of \$95 in a 15-minute assembly held yesterday at the high school auditorium. A big pep rally is to serpentine the business streets of the city to advertise the coming trip, for the Salem Hi-boys are to go east, if the enthusiasm of the students indicates anything.

Plans are underway for a dance at the Crystal Gardens where the student-body is to hold forth with a benefit dance for the basketball men. The Salem high "S" club is sponsoring the dance, under the direction of John Drager, popular member of the student body.

The silver trophy of the Oregon state basketball tournament was presented yesterday at the student body meeting, adding another trophy to the many held by the Salem school.

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CITY OF 11,000 IS WIPED OUT BY TWISTER; SCORES DYING ON STREETS; PANDEMONIUM REIGNS

TABULATED LIST OF DEAD AND INJURED FROM STORM GIVEN

The latest list of casualties with the towns listed in the order in which the storm struck, follows:

Table with columns: State, Town, Dead, Injured. Lists casualties for Missouri, Illinois, Indiana.

YEOMEN PLAN FOR CONCLAVE

Delegates From All Parts of State Will Gather Here April 7 and 8

Plans are complete for the Oregon State Conclave of Brotherhood of American Yeomen to be held here April 7 and 8, when delegates from all parts of the state will be present. Headquarters will be established in Fraternal temple, formerly the Elks temple. Registration of delegates will be made the first day with the opening program of the conclave being held, at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, April 8.

Ray, Ward Willis Long, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will give the invocation with Mayor John B. Giesy delivering the address of welcome. The response will be given by E. Earl Felke, of Portland.

State officers of the Yeomen are R. B. Mathews, Portland, president; T. B. Reeve, North Bend, vice president; Soren Sorensen, Amity, correspondent; Walter Fry Silvertown, master of Accounts and Florence Wilkerson, of Salem, chaplain. Appointive officers are Wealtha Bones, Turner, Lady Rowens; Hilda Hooper, Salem, Lady Rebecca; H. M. King, North Bend, Overseer; William Boone, Toledo, Watchman; Leonard Ferguson, Tillamook, Sentinel and Robert Hodges, Dayton, Guard.

Members of the various committees are: Credentials—E. Carl Felke, Portland; Dr. Irvin Fox, Eugene and J. J. Seeley, Portland. Rules and Order—C. E. Albin, Salem, J. I. Welch, Medford and Joe Allen, Portland. Finance—Charles Lindley, Lebanon, Julia E. Moore, Eugene and Arthur Galleher, North Bend. Resolutions—Fred E. Schmidt, Pendleton, L. B. Kent, Portland and Will Heberton, Fossil. Entertainment—Lucille Biber, Dick Hooper, Clara M. Albin, Carrie Chase and L. M. Wilkerson, all of Salem.

Reception—Florence Applegate, Portland; Marie Tangen, Newberg; W. J. Croser, Oregon City; Marie Burgess and Clara Scott, Salem.

By-laws—Mary E. Mayville, La Grande; Charles H. Minter, Eugene and E. C. Harts, McMinnville.

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Eastern Illinois Laid in Ruins—Path of Tornado Wipes Out Cities—200 School Children Are Lost When Building Collapses; Nurses and Doctors Are Rushed to Scene

CHICAGO, March 18.—(By Associated Press.)—A tornado tore through eastern Illinois today after lashing western Missouri and then caused considerable damage in Indiana before it died out to the northeast after collecting a reported toll of 3,631 persons dead or injured on the basis of estimates available tonight from the storm swept regions where communication was largely destroyed.

While darkness and prostrated wires made the collection of data difficult, estimates which came in through various sources with ever-increasing totals placed the total dead at 957, and the injured at 2,674 before midnight.

JONAH SINNER. POLING HOLDS

Biblical Fish Story Believed By Speaker at First Presbyterian Church

"People who doubt can't be happy. There are some sincere doubters, nevertheless, the doubter has a hard time," said the Rev. Mr. Poling at the First Presbyterian church as he introduced his subject last night: "The Book of Jonah," or "That Fish Story."

"The story of Jonah has suffered more abuse and misuse than any other story in the Bible," said Mr. Poling. The speaker emphatically declared that he had no trouble at all believing the much discussed story just as it is written. He gave three reasons why he believed the story of Jonah is true. First: Jonah is an historical character in the Bible and the book of Jonah is a true part of the Bible. Second, Jesus believed the story was true. Third, the story is reasonable and in fact far less incredible than many things which modern science has brought about.

"I was once as big a fool as poor old Jonah," continued Mr. Poling. "I, too, tried to run away from God. I once declared I never would be so foolish as to be a preacher and starve to death, but here I am and I wouldn't trade places with any other man in all the world, no matter how much money he might have. Here the speaker injected into his sermon a bit of his life story, how he tried to have his own way over against the plain will of God for him.

"Jonah was either the biggest slacker, or one of the worst down-

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OTHER DISASTERS ARE TABULATED

NEW YORK, March 18.—Today's tornado in southern Illinois and parts of Missouri and Indiana was the 19th such disaster since the great storm which swept the southern states in 1884.

Following is a list of the worst tornadoes in the middle west and south since that of 1884: February 18, 1884—Six hundred killed in southern states. April, 1892—Forty killed in Kansas. June 11, 1892—Fifty killed in Minnesota. June 20, 1893—Sixteen killed in Kansas river valley. Sept. 20, 1894—Seventy-five killed in Iowa and Minnesota. May 27, 1896—Five hundred killed in St. Louis and East St. Louis. March 20, 1897—Three-fourths of the town of Chandler, Okla., destroyed.

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WEDNESDAY IN WASHINGTON

The special session of the senate adjourned.

John G. Sargent was sworn in as attorney general.

Peter A. Jay, minister to Rumania, was nominated as ambassador to Argentina.

George L. Kreek of Kansas was named minister to Paraguay.

Ulysses Grant-Smith of Pennsylvania was named minister to Uruguay.

A joint congressional committee began consideration of the Northern Pacific railway land grants.

Executive realignment of key positions in the department of justice were forecast.

Advices from Peru indicated disturbances due to dissatisfaction over the Tacna-Arica award were subsiding.

Vice President Dawes decided to carry to the country the issue of revisions of senate rules.

Secretary Jardina directed the grain futures administration to investigate recent violent fluctuations in wheat prices.

Secretary Kellogg directed that inquiry be made whether American assistance was needed as a result of the Tokyo fire.