

Weather — OREGON —
Unsettled, probably occasional rain; moderate temperature; moderate northeast winds. Friday—Max. 55; min. 44; river, 18; rainfall, 2.4. Stationary; atmosphere, cloudy; wind, southwest.

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OIL OPERATORS VICTORIOUS IN COURT BATTLE

Government Sustains Crushing Defeat in Prosecution of Oil Lease Scandal; Trial Escaped

FALL, SINCLAIR, AND DOHENY CASE IS ENDED

Indictments Dismissed By Supreme Court; Case May Be Appealed

WASHINGTON, April 3.—The government suffered a reverse today in its criminal prosecutions growing out of the oil scandal.

Indictments returned last June against the central figures in the famous senate investigation of Albert B. Fall, former interior secretary, and Harry F. Sinclair, Edward L. Doheny and his son, Edward L. Doheny, Jr., independent oil operators, were dismissed in the District of Columbia supreme court because of the presence in the grand jury room of an assistant to the attorney general.

Appeal to Be Made
Through District Attorney Gordon, special government counsel in the case, it was announced that an appeal would be taken to the District of Columbia court of appeals. Should the government finally lose in this fight the way still would be open for presentation to a new grand jury of the conspiracy charges in connection with the lease of Teapot Dome naval reserve to Sinclair and of California oil reserves to Doheny.

Whether a new grand jury could consider the bribery charges against Fall and the Dohenys is not so clear, counsel for Sinclair contend that the three-year statute of limitation will become effective next Tuesday, but government counsel are not convinced that the special act of congress in 1922, extending the limitations to six years in certain cases would not be applicable in this instance.

Bribery Case Reviewed
The bribery charge grew out of the delivery to Fall here while he was interior secretary of \$100,000 in cash. The fund was advanced by the elder Doheny and brought here from New York by his son in the now celebrated little black satchel. Fall gave his personal note for the amount and Doheny in disclosing that he had advanced the money, said it was a loan to a friend and had nothing to do with the lease.

The indictments returned here and ordered dismissed by Chief Justice McCoy are wholly apart from civil suits which have been brought by the government in

BOLLMAN CASE IS DEFAULTED

Defendant in Sensational Alienation Case Is Not Present at Trial

Celia Bollman, former private secretary to Governor Pierce and defendant in the \$10,000 alienation suit brought by Mrs. Alice Boszell, will default her case, it was announced yesterday.

The case came up for trial at 9 o'clock Friday morning, with neither Miss Bollman nor a representing attorney present. The case proceeded as usual, however, with counsel for Mrs. Boszell pleading his case before a jury with as much care as if an attorney was present for the defendant.

Judge Kelly's court room was packed with an audience waiting to hear the details of the sensational trial.

Testimony tending to prove the statements that Miss Bollman and Fred Boszell, Mrs. Alice Boszell's husband, had registered together in a Centralia hotel as man and wife on several occasions, was offered. Details of clandestine meetings were given. Frequent automobile trips to nearby cities were alleged.

The case was adjourned until Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, pending the arrival of a witness for the plaintiff.

Boys' Training School General Contract Goes to Portland Contractor

Contracts amounting to \$216,939 for the construction of a boys' training school a mile and a half north of Woodburn by the state board of control Friday. The building will be of frame construction. Only boys who are not considered incorrigible will be transferred to this school when completed. Construction is expected to begin in about a month.

Settergren Bros. of Portland, with a bid of \$129,670, was awarded the general contract in a field of nine bidders. The original bid was for \$154,500, but the board of control decided to eliminate a concrete stack estimated at \$3030, and five fire places at \$1800.

The electrical contract went to

the Morrison Electric company of Portland, for \$10,049, seven others bidding. Fox & Co. of Portland obtained the plumbing work with a bid of \$29,673, and the heating contract for \$21,665.

Contracts for two steel water tanks and towers were also let by the board, the Pittsburgh-Des Moines Steel company getting the tank at the boys' training school for \$5882, and the Chicago Bridge & Iron Works the new tank at the state hospital for \$7820.

When completed the boys' training school will have four cottages, a main administration and school building, a kitchen and commissary, boiler house and water tank and tower.

LIVESTOCK BAN IS NOT LIFTED

State Sanitary Board Refuses to Modify Restrictions Against Calif.

There will be no immediate modification of the quarantine against importation of California cattle, sheep and swine into Oregon, according to a decision reached Friday at a special meeting of the state livestock sanitary board.

Reports were submitted by R. N. Wilson, representing Governor Richardson of California, showing that there had been no cases of hoof and mouth disease in that state among domestic animals since October. He admitted that a large number of deer on the ranges had been infected, but said that nearly all of these had been exterminated.

Governor Pierce said yesterday that he was opposed to any action that might expose Oregon livestock to the disease and intimated that in addition to protecting Oregon livestock the quarantine might improve the Portland cattle market.

Oregon placed a quarantine on importation of California livestock a year ago. In his efforts to have the ban lifted, Mr. Wilson pointed out that Oregon was one of the few states that had not lifted the quarantine.

At present California livestock can be shipped into this state only after a certificate has been issued by the secretary of the state sanitary board.

Members of the sanitary board here for the meeting Friday included Harry West, Scappoose; Walter K. Taylor, Corvallis; Dr. B. T. Sims, Corvallis; M. R. Biggs, Prineville and J. R. Cole, Molalla. Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian, acted as chairman of the meeting.

Chemistry Teacher Slams Athletics in Colleges

COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 3.—Prof. E. G. Mahin of Purdue university caustically denounced intercollegiate athletics at the dinner of the Ohio College association here tonight.

Intercollegiate sport, he said, is now on a preferential basis and the home coming football games of colleges and universities, he declared, were made the occasions of liquor drinking debauches. Professor Mahin charged that the present system of college football "is a detriment to the health of many players and even to their lives."

Professor Mahin is a teacher of analytical chemistry at the university. He has not been active as a member of the athletic governing body of the school.

Reed Takes Two Best Out Of Three Falls at Albany

Robin Reed, lightweight wrestler and winner of the Olympian title in his weight, defeated Maurus by securing two out of three straight falls at the Moose Gymnasium in Albany Friday night.

The San Francisco wrestler, Maurus, took the first fall in 34 minutes when he floored Reed with a head hold. In the return meet, Reed secured a reverse scissors hold and tossed his contender to the center of the mat, flat on his back.

In the third fall Reed put a wrist lock on the visitor and threw him with ease.

One of the biggest crowds ever assembled in Albany for a wrestling meet packed the hall.

CHAPMAN JURY IS LOCKED UP

Trial Judge Declares Four Possible Verdicts for Notorious Criminal

HARTFORD, Conn., April 3.—(By the Associated Press).—The jury trying Gerald Chapman for murder was ordered locked up for the night at 9:40 tonight.

Instructed by the court that it could, under the law, return one of four verdicts, guilty of murder in the first degree, second degree, manslaughter or acquittal—the jury, before it had deliberated four hours, had returned to court twice for additional instructions.

In both instances the requests indicated that they were going over with minute care the alibi testimony introduced by a number of defense witnesses. For the first request was for a time table of trains running out of Springfield, Mass., for New York on Saturday, October 11, 1924. The second request was that the testimony of the two Meriden witnesses for the prosecution be read to them.

Chapman was taken back to the state prison at Wetherfield for the night. He had spent the more than nine hours during which the jury deliberated in the basement of the court house, surrounded by guards.

As the hours dragged on with no sign coming from the jury room, Chapman, who had been calmly seated smoking most of the day, began walking up and down. Although his face never lost its gambler's mask, his nervous strides betrayed his perturbation.

NEGLIGENCE SENDS PEOPLE TO HELL

Sinlessly Perfect Man Never Lived Declared Dr. Charles Poling

"There is something radically wrong with the man who claims to be sinlessly perfect. Nobody ever lived absolutely sinless except the Man who walked by the Galilean Sea centuries ago. That was Jesus Christ, who lived and died to save me." With these words Rev. Charles S. Poling introduced his sermon last night at the Presbyterian church. "We all like sheep have gone astray—and he hath laid on him the iniquities of us all," served as the basis for Mr. Poling's message.

"Most men are selfish and bigotted," continued the speaker. "You are not complimented when you are told the facts of your moral condition. God says every man has broken his law and is sinful before Him. You feel insulted to be called a sinner, but the fact is, we all like sheep have gone astray!"

"A lost dog finds its way back home. A lost sheep never gets back home alone. It goes with the flock. Its idle curiosity gets it into trouble. We are like sheep—we have all gone astray. Jesus came to seek and to save that which is lost. He gave his life to save you and me. Then, I am saved? You ask? No girl! Not unless you make Jesus Christ your Lord and Saviour."

"What are you going to do about it?" challenged Mr. Poling. "A new good moral life won't save you! Even to make Jesus Christ your example is not

GIRL'S SANITY QUESTIONED AT MURDER TRIAL

Alienist Declares Dorothy Ellingson, Slayer of Mother, Suffers From "Dementia Praecox"

LACK OF EMOTION IS DECLARED UNNATURAL

Girl Smiles as Witness for Prosecution Says She Rates High

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3.—Dorothy Ellingson, the 17-year-old "jazz girl" who killed her mother last January, was termed in medical testimony given at her sanity hearing before a jury in superior court here today a victim of dementia praecox, a person lacking emotional balance, who all her life has acted without normal deliberation and judgment.

At 5:25 p. m. Judge Louderback adjourned court until Monday morning. The prosecution which is resisting the efforts of the defense to prove the girl insane, brought out on cross examination of the defense alienist that since her arrest she has acted in an apparently rational manner except for irrational spells of fainting and fits of anger, that she answered questions intelligently and evidently comprehended all that went on around her.

Alienist Takes Stand
Dr. Fred P. Clark, medical superintendent of the state hospital for the insane at Stockton, defining the type of dementia praecox, from which he said she suffered, said there was "a defect in the organization."

Dr. Clark said he based his belief in her insanity on her entire lack of any emotion. He explained his talk with her about her mother's death, which she had brought about without reason except for a trifling quarrel over the mother's advice that the girl quit the night-life and get a job. He said Dorothy had displayed no remorse and had told him she slept well in jail.

"She was dead as far as any higher appeal was concerned," the alienist testified.

Sham Unveiled
Dr. Clark was reminded that the girl had wept at times since her imprisonment, that at other times she had smiled and displayed pleasure.

"I would say," he replied, "that when she wept it was put on—a hysterical manifestation. Insane persons, if not extremely demented, know enough to do that. But she displayed an utter lack of moral emotion." He defined that as a sense of right. He was asked whether normal persons did not have deep emotions and suppress them. Some could, he believed.

While the glaring searchlight of science was turned on all the intimate details of her life, Dorothy Ellingson sat, obviously agitated, but with a firm grip on herself. For the second successive day she did not faint. She sat twisting her handkerchief, but not as violently as in the first part of the trial when she was swooning several times daily.

She smiled faintly when Dr. George Ordahl, clinical psychologist, testified that the tests he had applied to her had revealed that she was "not feeble minded or a moron, but had a high average of intelligence."

GERVAIS SCHOOL MAY BE CLOSED

Dissolution of Union School Asked in Petition Submitted to Board

The dissolution of the Gervais union school district is sought by six of the seven districts comprising the union, according to petitions presented calling for an election to consider the matter. Action is desired at the regular annual meeting of the districts, on June 15.

The district has been in operation for three years, with a total valuation of \$1,783,134, and a tax rate of 3.8 mills for the district.

SHIPPING SALE IS BLOCKED BY COURT ACTION

Sale to Dollar Steamship Interests Is Brought to Halt By Pacific Mail Company's Order

SUPREME COURT GRANTS TEMPORARY INJUNCTION

Provision of Merchant Marine Act of 1920 Must Be Acted Upon

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 3.—Conclusion to the sale to Dollar interests of the Pacific Mail Steamship company's California-Orient line was blocked temporarily today in the District of Columbia supreme court.

Granting a petition of the Pacific Mail, Justice Hitz issued a temporary injunction against the shipping board and set April 13 for a hearing on making the order permanent.

Case To Be Continued
Extended litigation is in prospect regardless of this hearing with the probability the supreme court of the United States will have to pass upon provisions of the merchant marine act of 1920.

Meanwhile the Pacific Mail will continue to operate the five shipping board vessels at stake in the service from San Francisco to Manila unless the board should take action to terminate the operating contract entered into more than four years ago. Chairman O'Conner of the board declared today he personally would be in favor of terminating that contract if the injunction was made permanent.

Chamberlain Is Silent
Commenting upon that statement, former Senator George E. Chamberlain of Oregon, counsel for the Pacific Mail interpreted it as a willingness to drive the Pacific Mail out of business in any case. He would not say what legal steps if any might be taken if the board should add such a course.

The action of the Pacific Mail in resorting to court proceedings was taken following the authorization of the sale of ships to the Dollar interests by a four to three vote of the board.

Cargoes Are Made
The controversy has involved questions of government shipping policy and a fight being competing shipping interests and has been characterized with sensational charges that a monopoly was being developed on the Pacific coast.

The reverberations of the fight reached such a point it was suggested that the White House might be called upon to take a hand, but this became a remote possibility for the decision rested entirely with the board.

He assumes the board had acted as it best saw fit and has taken no part in the matter.

Willamette Debaters Win From College of Idaho

The Willamette university men's debate team will meet the College of Puget Sound in a dual debate tonight. The traveling team will meet the CPS affirmative there, while the Willamette affirmative will meet the CPS negative in the Waller hall chapel at 7:30 o'clock.

The question will be, "Resolved, That congress should be given the power to re-enact legislation declared unconstitutional by the supreme court."

The Willamette affirmative to speak here will be James McClintock and Rawson Chapin, and they will be met by Hester Blesien and Allison Wetmore, who will uphold the negative for CPS.

This is next to the final debate to be held on the final floor this year and is the last debate of the year for the two men to speak for Willamette. Rawson Chapin, senior of Salem, will close his forceful work for the university in this debate as he is to graduate this year.

The final debate will be between the traveling team, Charles Redding and Joel Berreman, and the representatives of Lawrence college, to be held here April 8.

TELLING TRUTH PAID
SEATTLE, April 3.—Margaret Allan was acquitted on a charge of possessing narcotics by a federal court jury here today for telling the truth.

Baron Ago von Maltzan, New Ambassador from Germany, Arrives with His Wife and Daughter



This photograph was taken when Baron von Maltzan, who succeeds Otto Weidfeldt as Ambassador at Washington, arrived in New York with Baroness von Maltzan and their daughter Edith, six years old. The Baron, who is about 56 years

old, speaks English fluently and is fond of athletic sports. For the last two years he has been Secretary of State for Germany. The Baroness is a painter and likes to dance.

MAN KILLED IN AUTO SMASHUP

Monitor Man Is Instantly Killed When Machine Is Hit By Train

Another blind corner took a toll of death yesterday morning when A. N. Moshberger, station agent at Monitor for the Willamette Valley Southern, was instantly killed when his machine was struck by an Oregon Electric train at Parker's crossing, near West Woodburn. His wife was seriously injured, although their 3-year-old child escaped unhurt.

The accident occurred shortly after 9 o'clock Friday morning. The car which crashed into the automobile is operated on a short line, and connects West Woodburn with the terminal at Woodburn. The crossing at which the accident occurred is clear of all obstruction except for a small garage, built a short distance from the tracks. This, it is declared, cut off the view of both the driver of the car and the motorman until both were within 30 feet of the crossing.

When the crash came the car was overturned and dragged about 60 feet. Moshberger and his wife were thrown clear of the wreck and about 45 feet from the crossing. The man was killed instantly, and Mrs. Moshberger was believed to be suffering from a broken back, although it is now believed that she will recover. The baby, although escaping unhurt, was pinned in the wreck, and

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LIONS ENDORSE PARKING SYSTEM

Local Conditions Warrant No Change in Present Method Clubmen Hold

The special committee of the Lions club for the investigation of traffic conditions in the city reported on three of the dominant traffic problems of the day.

The committee favored the present parking plan because of the local conditions. A change would work a hardship upon the merchants of the city, if the parking system be changed. As a result the committee recommended that the parking places be changed from nine feet to seven feet.

The matter of making the Pacific highway an arterial within the city meets with favor of the city officials. However, the enforcement of this regulation would depend upon the individual, because the city has no funds with which to employ a special officer.

The matter of the safety zone in the vicinity of the Parrish school does not meet with the approval of the school officials. The city officials are to erect warning signs near the approaches to the school in order to warn the motorists. Consequently, the committee recommended that the club endorse the plan advocated by the officials.

COURT FIGHTS FOR HIGHWAYS

Efforts Being Made to Block Proposed Referendum Sought By Firms

In order to offset the plan of the trucking companies to secure a referendum against the gross earnings tax, passed by the legislature, the county court is discussing a means to prevent such action, in cooperation with the state highway commission.

The trucking companies, the county court declares, have entered referendum proceedings, not because they believe that the law will be defeated in the election, but in order to save the sum of approximately \$500,000 which would be collected in taxes by the state between now and the time the election will take place.

"The trucks have been using our highways, and have been destroying them, to a certain extent, without returning just compensation for the damage they have done," the county commissioners stated. "The law, as passed by the legislature is just, and the people will uphold it in the election, but with the referendum in sight, the state will not be permitted to collect those taxes until after the election."

The plan which the county court has evolved, and which they will take up with the state highway commission, would regulate the weight of loads that could be carried by the companies, and if pushed to its extent, would eventually force them out of business.

This plan will be followed out, the county judge declared, if the truckers proceed with their referendum proceedings.

MAY DAY QUEEN CONTEST BEGINS

Three Candidates Seek Honors; Election Will Be Held Next Week

Final selection for May queen at Willamette university now lies between Miss Lucia Card, Miss Elizabeth McClure and Miss Jennelle Vandevort, as a result of the nominations made at the regular chapel hour yesterday. The final election will be held next week, the one receiving the highest number of votes will be chosen as queen and the other two will be the maids of honor.

Miss Card is from Dallas, is a member of the Delta Phi sorority and the Philodorian literary society.

Miss McClure, who is from Portland, is a member of the Chrestomathean literary society and the Lausanne Hall club.

Miss Vandevort, who is from Salem, is a member of the Beta Chi sorority and the Adelante literary society.

All plans for May day are now about complete and the queen will be assured of a full program during the two days of her reign.

COMMITTEE TO FIX DATE FOR FLAX MEETING

Committee Will Complete Final Plans at Special Meeting to Be Held This Morning

PROPOSED PLANT WILL COST OVER \$300,000

Portion of Funds Pledged; Polk County Developing Flax Growing

Salem's flax committee of the Chamber of Commerce last night completed preliminary plans for a big general mass meeting, the date to be set by the committee today.

At a meeting held Friday afternoon the committee set the goal for a flax manufacturing plant at \$300,000, of which amount S. M. Sanson, of Toronto, Canada, flax expert and linen manufacturer, has promised to contribute \$50,000, while Silverton and Albany have promised to contribute similar sums. The remainder of the amount to finance the project will be raised locally.

Sanson Recommended
After Mr. Sanson's first appearance in the city a committee was appointed to satisfy themselves that the manufacturer's character, dependability and financial standing were all they were supposed to be. This committee last night placed their official endorsement upon Mr. Sanson in making a report.

In addition to this report, a number of Salem business men will go on record in the near future to show that they approve of the linen mill project. All of these reports will be submitted at the general mass meeting to be held later.

Recognizing Mr. Sanson's ability and experience, he will be asked to supervise the erection of the linen manufacturing plant and supervise operations until the mill is a going concern.

Interest Is Growing
When Mr. Sanson first came to Salem and explained the various goods that could be manufactured, he stated that no effort would be made, should he decide to invest in a plant here, to manufacture any of the fancy grades of cloth but would confine his activities to what is known to the trade as "bread and butter" stuff, consisting of some of the simpler grades.

Interest in the linen manufacturing industry is spreading throughout the entire Willamette valley, which is particularly adapted to the growing of flax. T. B. Kay, state treasurer and woolen mill manufacturer who is also interested in this industry, has appeared in various towns in the district and has been enthusiastically received.

Polk county is becoming more than interested in the flax growing industry and funds have been voted by the Dallas Chamber of Commerce to test the flax culture and to promote the flax and linen industry in Polk county. As a result of this move flax seed will be planted in a score of plots in a score of plots in various parts of the county.

Polk Planting Flax
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FRIDAY IN WASHINGTON

John Van A. McMurray, assistant secretary of state, was selected as minister to China.

President Coolidge, it was announced, expects to attend the Norse-American celebration at St. Paul June 8.

Secretary Weeks suffered a mild thrombotic stroke, and reports were revived that he soon would retire from the cabinet.

A paraphrase of the Peruvian memorial on Tacna-Arica became available, containing assurance that the arbitral award will be accepted.

Short line railroads were authorized by the interstate commerce commission to intervene in the proposed Nickel Plate railroad merger hearing.