

Weather — OREGON
General temperature, moderate northwest winds.
Max. 64. Min. 42. River 3.9 rising. Rainfall none. Atmosphere, part cloudy. Wind northwest.

SEVENTY-FIFTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 15, 1925

PRICE FIVE CENTS

AUTHORITY OF PRESIDENT TO DUST IS ISSUE

Losing Arguments in Myers Case Declares Work of Nation's Executive Must Be Unhampered

STRANGLING OF POWER BY CONGRESS SCORED

Unrestrained Action Said to be Necessary for Efficiency

WASHINGTON, April 14.—A picture of the White House with a "to let" sign hung out, was drawn in the supreme court today by Solicitor General Beck in costing his argument in the Myers case through which the president's right to remove a postmaster without obtaining the senate's consent, has been challenged.

Back Pay Wanted

The solicitor general presented the president's position as opposed by the senate through Senator Cooper, Pennsylvania, in the controversy resulting from the appeal of the estate of Frank S. Myers, which is suing for back pay on the contention that his removal as postmaster at Portland was illegal.

Congress should not be permitted, Mr. Beck declared, to "place the president in a straight-jacket" by encroaching upon his prerogative to remove government office holders. There are 800,000 such employees and the president, he argued, should be unhampered in his right to remove any or all of them.

Would Impair Work

Mr. Beck held it highly essential in the proper administration of the government that the president should be unrestrained by congress in exercising this right. If deprived of it, he contended, the work of the president would be so impaired and be rendered so ineffective that it would be well to close the White House.

Insisting that the constitution intended to create a "strong executive," he protested against "regressive despotism," declar-

ing that unless the court interfered the executive's power might ultimately be strangled by con-

gress.

Defense Sums Case

Emphasizing that the present struggle was not between the president and the senate, but between the legislative and executive branches. Senator Pepper, in closing his argument began yesterday, asserted the constitutional duty of the president to see that the laws are faithfully executed, included a mandate to respect those made by congress creating offices and prescribing the conditions under which they should be filled. Employees of the government are not servants of the president, the senator declared, but are representatives of the people.

PLOT TO TAKE CAPITAL FAILS

Group of Army Men Thrown into Prison as Result of Conspiracy

BOGOTA, Colombia, April 14.—(By the Associated Press)—A coup d'état was frustrated Sunday when a group of army officials who planned to take possession of the palace and the government were arrested and thrown into prison.

The conspirators purposed to take advantage of the absence of President Nell Ospina from the capital.

The president had been on a visit to various departments of the republic but he suddenly returned Sunday and the arrest and confinement of several army officials and some young officers of lower grades stationed in the capital followed.

An investigation was immediately begun to ascertain the ramifications of the plot in the country outside of Bogota. The newspapers express the belief that the movements extends throughout the army by reason of the fact

Political Crisis in France Declared to be Worst in History

PARIS, April 14.—(By the Associated Press)—France is in the throes of one of the worst crises in the history of the third republic. Politically, economically and financially there is a widely divergent current of opinion between the chamber and senate. It now has become an open conflict, and this underlies all the present difficulties.

The dissolution of parliament, which a few days ago was mentioned only in whispers, is the rallying call of all discontents and is being openly discussed in the lobbies of the chamber and the senate.

Confusion reigns supreme in French political affairs, but the French nation refuses to get ruffled. The economic situation involving the status of the franc in the world's exchange market remains unchanged.

Who is to become premier to succeed M. Herriot is by no means certain. Paul Painlevé, president

MARKETING IS TOPIC OF MEET

Unloading of Products at Beginning of Season Rapped by Jardine

WASHINGTON, April 14.—One of the greatest problems which has ever faced American Agriculture has resulted from dumping large volumes of farm products on the market during the first few months after harvest, Secretary Jardine declared tonight in an address before the agricultural department's field agents charged with enforcement of the United States warehouse act.

The field men are in conference here in an effort to adopt uniform methods for enforcement of the act which deals with the storage of cotton, grain, wool, tobacco, peanuts, potatoes, broom corn, dried fruits and maple and cane syrup.

The United States warehouse act," the secretary explained, "gives farmers of this country a handy vehicle to use in bringing about a more even distribution of their products. The big purpose of the act is to develop a form of warehouse receipts which would be acceptable generally to bankers as security on loans for products storage."

The secretary warned the field agents to maintain diligence in their inspection of warehouse and examination of plants so that the present good standing of the warehouse receipts with bankers will be continued.

SHIPS ARE READY FOR JOINT ACTION

Hawaiian Maneuvers to be Held by Massed Army and Navy Concentration

SAN FRANCISCO, April 14.—The cruiser Seattle, flagship of the United States fleet, weighed anchor today for Hawaiian waters, where she will act as umpire ship for the forthcoming joint army and navy maneuvers. Admiral Robert E. Coontz, commander in chief of the fleet, was on the bridge of the Seattle when she put to sea.

The remainder of the fleet will leave tomorrow morning and it is expected that it will be three hours at least before the last vessel passes through the Golden Gate.

With Admiral Coontz are Major General John L. Hines, chief of staff; Major General Wendell C. Neville, USMC, and the other members of the umpire board appointed for the maneuvers.

The fleet will maintain an even speed which will be the speed of its slowest vessels, and on this account is not expected to reach the maneuver area before the end of the week.

KILLER IS EXECUTED

HANOVER, Germany, April 15.—(By the Associated Press)—Fritz Haarmann, the local butcher, who was sentenced to death last winter for having killed a large number of men and boys, was beheaded at 6 o'clock this morning.

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SCHOOL SITES WORRY BOARD

Chief Problem for South Salem is Question of Location Declares Olinger

Discussion of the location of the future schools of the city occupied part of the time of the school board last night. Dr. Floyd Utter and Dr. C. A. Downs, representing the Parent-Teacher associations of south Salem, appeared to discuss the problem that is before them.

It was pointed out that the present high school was almost filled to capacity and that within two years would be filled to overflowing, and other accommodations must be secured.

"The real problem of the day in securing a new school for south Salem is in the location," declared Dr. H. H. Olinger. Find the location and solve the problem, was the contention of the board members.

Wood contracts were opened and after consideration referred to the supply committee for comparison before the contracts were awarded.

L. J. Simeral reported the completed alterations of the lower floor of the Washington school which is being opened up with the view of securing an occupant as caretaker.

Edgar A. Tabbets, representing the Associated Student body of the high school stated that the students were ready to furnish \$500 for use in constructing and improving the athletic field. An additional sum would be realized from the 1924 class, it was stated, but part of the money must be used in constructing a monument of some sort.

The circus, which is to visit Salem in the future, is to use the school grounds near the Parrish school, it was declared.

An assistant principal is to be employed at Parrish junior high while the secretaries to the principals and to the superintendent of schools are to secure a raise in salary, it was brought out at the meeting.

A map showing the location of the students in the city is to be constructed and used in the affairs of the school board, it was decided last night.

Portland Woman Named to Head Foreign Missionary

SEATTLE, April 14.—Mrs. A. R. McLean of Portland, was elected president of the Columbia branch of the women's foreign missionary society Methodist Episcopal church at the opening of the organization's mid-year conference here today. More than 300 women delegates from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana attended.

Oregon Aggie Debate Team Wins from Eastern Squad

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., April 14.—Oregon Agricultural college won from the Massachusetts institute of technology in a debate here tonight. The visitors upheld the affirmative of the proposition: "That congress should be empowered to override decisions of the supreme court which declare such action unconstitutional."

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CHEMIST SAYS DEATH CAUSED BY POISONING

Sufficient Mercury to Cause Death in Ten Days is Discovered in Body of Mrs. McClintock

OFFICIAL REPORT IS HANDED TO CORONER

Possibility of Mercury Being Administered As Medicine Denied

CHICAGO, April 14.—Direct evidence that Mrs. Emma Nelson McClintock, mother of William K. Wheeler, said here today that he had learned that between twenty and 25 agents of the department of justice are in Great Falls and will remain here until the Montana senator's trial, which will start Thursday, is over.

Shepherd Held

William D. Shepherd, young McClintock's foster father and principal heir, is under indictment for murder in connection with the youth's death from typhoid fever last December it became alleged that Shepherd inoculated McClintock with typhoid germs. Dr. McNally, coroner's chemist who examined the disinterred body of the woman who died 16 years ago.

Probe Continued

Further investigation of Mrs. McClintock's death has temporarily shifted to Texas, where in 1909 she was treated for an illness from which she had not fully recovered at the time of her death.

Galveston authorities have been asked to question Dr. William C. Fisher, who was practicing there in 1909 if he attended Mrs. McClintock and what he prescribed for her. Physicians who attended her after she returned to Chicago to die have said they precribed the medication of the board members.

The coroner's jury later this week will resume its inquiry into the death of William McClintock, son of Mrs. McClintock, as the final step preceding the arraignment of William D. Shepherd, his foster father, on a charge of killing him with typhoid germs.

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DAILY PLUNGE HALTED

PORT ANGELES, April 14.—A 45-year custom of taking a daily plunge in Port Angeles may be halted here today when R. A. Muskett, 80, retired merchant, suffered a broken collar bone after his automobile collided with another machine.

MAKING IT 100 PER CENT

If the work goes on as it is started—

If 100 per cent of the hustlers of Salem subscribe to the stock of the second linen mill for Salem, and do this as promptly as such spirit would suggest, the task would be over this week—

And Salem's \$300,000 will have been over subscribed.

How would you like to see such news broadcasted to the ends of the earth?

It would put Salem on the map in such capital letters as no other one event could—

And it would foreshadow the time, not far distant, when all down town real estate will have more than doubled in value—

When the increased values in any one block of down town Salem property would provide all the capital of this linen mill, with a lot to spare towards the capital of our third linen mill.

There are happy indications that Salem is going to surprise those who have been under the impression that she is a slow town.

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And no Salem citizen, rich or poor, can afford not to have a share in the glorious consummation that is taking place.

Is your name written there? Written on the dotted line?

WHEELER CASE TAKING SHAPE; AGENTS ARRIVE

Counsel For Senator Declare Over 20 Department of Justice Agents to be Present at Trial

STATE IS REPRESENTED IN NATIONAL OIL CASE

Trial Scheduled to Start Tomorrow; 41 Witnesses Subpoenaed

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Report Admitted

John L. Slattery, United States district attorney, and R. P. Stewart, special assistant attorney general, Wheeler's prosecutors, admitted that there were several department of justice agents in town but denied a report that Great Falls was "being overrun" with government investigators. Neither O'Leary, Slattery nor Stewart were able to explain why they are here. Mr. Slattery, however, declared that it was the custom of the king's attendants were killed and the driver was wounded. The king was not hit. Troops are in search of the king's assailants.

Witnesses Subpoenaed

A list of 41 witnesses subpoenaed for the case, was made public today. This includes W. G. Feeley, A. H. Furr and Peter Nyce, Washington attorneys and Edwin S. Booth, former solicitor in the department of the interior who was indicted with Wheeler in Washington recently as the result of a grand jury investigation. William Spy, former land commissioner in the department of the interior also is on the list of those subpoenaed.

Oil Graft Charged

He is expected to testify for Wheeler who is charged with receiving a fee for prosecuting oil prospecting applications of Gordon Campbell, Montana oil operator, before the Department of Justice after Wheeler has been elected to the senate.

L. V. Beulieu

L. V. Beulieu, a trustee of one of the Gordon Campbell syndicates, who told the senate Wheeler investigating committee that Wheeler "left the impression" that he would take care of certain lease applications of Campbell's before the interior department. C. A. Springmeyer, another of Campbell's secretaries, also is under call to testify. Campbell is not under subpoena but is expected to testify for the accused senator.

The bodies were found by the woman's husband, who called the police.

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The meeting is called for 8 o'clock and is to be held in the main auditorium. T. M. Hicks, president of the local organization, will preside.

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