

Weather — OREGON — Fair and warmer, but frost in interior in the morning; moderate northerly winds. Max. 51, Min. 36, River 8, falling. Rainfall, none. Atmosphere, clear. Wind, North.

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MARTIAL LAW NOT REMOVED IN RIOT ZONE

Political Meetings Strictly Under Ban; All Newspapers Carefully Censored By Courts

MUCH DAMAGE DONE BY EXPLOSION IN THEATER

Municipal Officers Destroyed By Blast; Communists Responsible

LONDON, April 25.—The building destroyed at Plovna last night contained the municipal offices, a theater and a library, reports from Vienna and other sources state. No lives were lost but much damage was done. The fire which broke out in the theater after the explosion was extinguished.

MEETINGS FORBIDDEN

SOFIA, April 25.—All political party meetings throughout Bulgaria have been forbidden until further notice by an order issued by General Lagareff, commander of the Sofia garrison.

All newspapers and periodicals are to be censored during the period of martial law in Bulgaria. The Sofia director of the French bank, General Cordif, has been arrested and charged with transferring money to communist conspirators. The police state they seized 15 packages containing about 3,000 dinars each because the money was intended for communist agents. (A dinar is about 20 cents).

Further arrests have been made as a result of information obtained by government agents who declare that leaders of the left wing peasant party were to form a new Bulgarian ministry after a revolution. It is stated that Captain Altanassoff was to be minister of war and Petrinski the new premier.

ATTEMPT MADE TO END CHARGE

Demurrer Against Indictment in Wheeler Case Is to be Filed

GREAT FALLS, Mont., April 25.—Senator Thomas J. Walsh will carry on in the fight to clear his colleagues, Senator Burton K. Wheeler of all charges growing out of the latter's association with Gordon Campbell, Montana oil operator, he announced here tonight. Senator Walsh said his next move would be to file a demurrer against the indictment returned against Senator Wheeler in Washington recently.

The Washington indictment charges that Senator Wheeler conspired with Campbell to defraud the government in oil land permits. Senator Walsh said he would ask that the indictment be thrown out of court.

Senator Wheeler left here tonight for Hunters Springs, Mont., where he will take a rest before returning to Washington. He had originally planned to leave Monday, but changed his plans today. Senator Wheeler was acquitted by a jury in federal court here last night on a charge of unlawfully using his influence as a senator before the department of interior in connection with legal services he rendered for Campbell.

Many Persons Find Work Through Local YMCA

Exactly 125 persons were put to work during the past week by the United States employment service, which is operated here in cooperation with the YMCA, according to the report filed by Sam Phillips, for the period ending April 25. Over 200 applications for work were filed. Of the persons granted employment 87 were placed on farms as agricultural workers, 33 at common labor in the city and elsewhere, one worker in the woods, one person in laundry work and three in hotel work. In the application for work 8 carpenters, 3 painters, 4 office clerks, 4 cannery workers, 3 kitchen workers, 4 pulp and paper workers, 5 chauffeurs and 2 teamsters and others.

Older Boys' Meeting To Be Closed Today; Much Interest Shown

This afternoon will mark the close of the Older Boys' conference, attended by delegates from Marion, Polk and Benton counties, with Albany well represented. An all-day meeting was held Saturday. Features of the meeting yesterday included a fellowship hour, led by Benjamin J. Kimber, Marion county YMCA secretary, with Frank Moran, boys' worker, giving the principal address, having as his topic "Locating the Problems." Subjects, suggested by the boys themselves, included social habits, smoking, swearing, drinking, sex, dancing, cards, gambling, stealing. Fundamental principles underlying success in any vocation were discussed, with 100 of the boys being guests of Salem business men, each boy going with the man representing the vocation he expected to adopt later in life. Social problems of the school and the choice of values were taken up during the afternoon after which a group picture was taken on the steps of the city hall. The boys were guests of Salem high school at the baseball game through invitation of J. C. Nelson, principal and Hollis Huntington, coach. After a swim in the YMCA pool the boys were fed in a "bread line". Social problems were discussed at the night session. The meetings Saturday were held at the First Presbyterian church while the meeting today will be held at the YMCA.

APPEAL MADE FOR U. S. SHIPS

Maintenance of American Coastwise Laws Asked By Board Chairman

WASHINGTON, April 25.—An appeal for maintenance of the American coastwise laws which provide that only United States vessels may engage in commerce between United States ports was made in a radio address tonight by Vice Chairman Plummer of the shipping board. The question was important, Mr. Plummer asserted, because one of the avowed purposes of the third biennial conference of the international chamber of commerce at Brussels in June is to "induce the United States to abandon its century-old policy" and throw open American coastwise trade to foreign ships. The international chamber, according to its program will consider a resolution dealing with flag discrimination. As understood in shipping board circles the resolution will urge extension of the policy of "true equality of treatment of vessels," under whatever flag to domestic commerce. Whatever action the chamber may take, it is understood it will carry no mandatory authority but will constitute only an expression of international policy. The meeting will be attended by representatives of various American organizations and spokesmen for the American steamship owners' association are understood to be prepared among others to oppose the resolution.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY WOODMEN LODGE

Pacific Organization Has Instituted First Oregon Camp in Salem

Capital camp No. 1, Pacific Woodmen Life association, was organized in Salem last night and will serve as a base for further expansion throughout the whole state. Officers were installed and inducted into office. F. A. Beard, state manager, with headquarters in the United States Bank building, and Deputy C. W. Wetmore of Portland were in charge of the ceremonies. Those elected to office were: Past consul, C. W. Wetmore; consul commander, O. L. Donaldson; adviser, J. W. Woodhouse; clerk, Howard Leach; banker, George L. Lewis; escort, Rollo Kent; watchman, C. A. Bryngelson; sentry, Richard Strausbaugh; managers, F. A. Beard, E. J. Smith and E. W. Swallow. There are about 50 members of the Woodmen in Salem, although previous to this time no organization was provided. The meeting last night was held at the Foresters' hall. The Woodmen fraternity consists of over 500,000 members, with headquarters in Omaha, Neb. The lodge maintains the well-known broadcasting station, WOAW, which is heard consistently on both coasts.

ARMORY ENTERED

Office here stated that the Armory at Silverton had been entered some time during the past week and military stores stolen. Six Colt's .45 automatics were taken, it was stated.

KELLOGG SAID FAVORABLE TO NATION COURT

Secretary Declares United States Should Become Member of International Dispute Court

JUDICIAL TRIBUNAL IS REGARDED NECESSARY

Opposition to World Court Plans Said Due to Misunderstanding

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Secretary Kellogg declared himself tonight to be "heartily in favor" of America's participation in an international tribunal for the settlement of international disputes. Addressing the delegates to the American Society of International Law, Mr. Kellogg asserted it was "strange that although we are approaching 1926, the United States, one of the leading countries in arbitration, is not a member of any international court."

Position Is Stated "I am heartily in favor of the establishment of a judicial tribunal to which nations may present their problems and their international disputes," he declared. He said that although international law is yet in a state of evolution, there are still enough international regulations to make such a court workable. For this purpose, he added, he believed thoroughly in the efforts to codify and extend the principles of international law.

Plan Held Promising Opposition to American participation in a world court, he thought, was due to misunderstanding of the powers of such a tribunal. The question to be submitted, he said, would be "judicial" points such as violations of well known international principles. Pointing out that the United States and England have for the last 110 years settled all differences by diplomacy, Secretary Kellogg said that he believed that within a short time problems which in the past have been considered amenable to war will be settled peacefully.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Initiate Class Last Night

Ten neophytes were inducted into the ranks of Marion Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at the large initiation held last night at the Armory. Delegates from Portland and southern Oregon ports were present. Those entering as new members were R. A. Erickson, Kirby S. Ross, Frank Malley, Joseph P. Strindman, F. W. Footman, Charles A. Bort, W. R. Davenport, E. H. Patchin and J. M. Panek. The visitors from Lebanon, the Whis Bang post, were A. E. Daily and C. E. Darley. Sam A. Plunkett, commander of the World War post of Portland, was also present. Col. Carlis Abrams is commander of the local organization. Entertainment was furnished by Miss Elizabeth Vinson, Miss Irene Gallagher, who appeared in solo numbers and readings.

WARM WEATHER IS CALLING TOURISTS

Nearly 200 Parties Register For Season; Ten Cars Here Last Night

Ten auto parties were entertained at the Salem auto park last night, making close to the 200 mark for the season. The cold weather that has been prevalent during the past few days has kept road travel down to a minimum, but with the coming of the pleasant weather the automobiles will be taken to the road. At the opening of the season, the camp entertained parties bound from California to northern points, but now the traffic to and from California is about balanced. Eastern cars are also registered there with a sprinkling of visitors from Washington. The community house will be ready for use within two weeks, it is stated. The contractor has been busy, and the building has been given a good start. When finished the community house will be used to hold audiences for lectures, and other gatherings.

BEST OF ALL INDUSTRIES

The best of all industries that can be developed in the Salem district is the flax and linen industry— Because this can be done here, to the limit of supplying the needs of the United States in this line, without interfering with any other crop or industry; from our idle and slacker acres— Because the ultimate values of the products, when taken through all the processes of manufacturing, are so high; higher than for any other crop. This is why the securing of the second linen mill here will be the most important advance ever made in the history of Salem. It will open the way for the final employment here, directly and indirectly, of a million people, and the bringing here of \$10,000,000 annually of outside money; making Salem the Belfast of North America. It will be a great thing if every man, woman and child in Salem will talk and think flax, till this thing is put over— For it will mean making Salem permanently the best city of her size in the whole world; and it will make her size increase fast and constantly, too. Put it over this week, if possible.

ATTACK FORCE LAUNCH DRIVE ON BLUE AIR SERVICE

"Major Engagement" Reported Near Islands; Enemy Undersea Craft Strive For Coup

HONOLULU, April 25.—(By Associated Press)—The belief was expressed unofficially at Pearl Harbor naval headquarters this afternoon that a "major engagement" between attacking naval forces and defending land forces was in progress in the channel between the islands of Molokai, Lanai as one of the mock battles incident to maneuvers and Lanai while the "black" high command is attempting to locate the airplane carrier Langley and put her out of action before the fleet can launch the proposed, gigantic air attack on Oahu, centering on Pearl Harbor. This would leave the fleet without an air offensive except such as provided by the 33 scouting planes carried by the eleven battleships. Unconfirmed reports say the reconnoitering off the southeast coast of Oahu, the "blues" attempting to establish bases on Molokai and Lanai and also attempting to land from small boats from the vicinity of Honouliuli, Molokai. Reports from Molokai reported that small boats while approaching that island with the intention of landing men were attacked by a fleet of "black" airplanes. The landing force was driven off, most of the personnel theoretically being either killed by fire from the airplanes or taking to the water to escape the destructive effect of machine gun bullets. Another rumor located a considerable concentration of the "enemy" or "blue" forces about five miles south of Kaunakakai, Molokai. These included cruisers and at least one dreadnaught. A considerable amount of aerial activity is apparent, bearing out rumors that the "enemy" aerial reconnaissance of Oahu has been in progress for several days. There seems to be no evidence of the "defenders" having been damaged to any extent by the "blue" forces.

WOOL SHIPMENTS HEAVY

PENDLETON, Ore., April 25.—More wool will be shipped out of Umatilla county this year to outside markets on consignment than ever before in the history of the industry, according to Mac Hoke, secretary of the Oregon Wool Growers' association.

LIVESTOCK BAN TO BE MODIFIED

New Ruling to be Effective May 6; Approved by Governor Pierce

Modification of the existing livestock ban against California livestock was approved Saturday by Governor Pierce following a meeting of the state sanitary board. The quarantine was placed several months ago during the outbreak of the hoof and mouth disease in the south. New ruling, effective May 6, cattle, swine and sheep as far south as Willows, Calif., will be admitted to Oregon under federal certificate and for immediate slaughter. After May 6 cattle may be shipped into the state for grazing purposes under special permit granted by Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian. These cattle must be shipped in fumigated cars and be quarantined for a period of 30 days.

BUSLINE OWNERS SAY 'FREEZE OUT'

Suit For \$3640 Filed Against Central State Terminal and Hotel

Suit was instituted in the circuit court Saturday by Ben Henry and J. H. Brown against the Central State Terminal and Hotel Company and the "Oregon Stages" and others. The complaint alleges that the plaintiffs are members of the Central motor bus line, an association of stages doing local business over the Pacific highway between Salem and Eugene by way of Albany and Corvallis, and that in August, 1922, the Terminal company entered into a five year contract with the individuals of the Central motor bus line for the use of the station facilities to the exclusion of all competing lines. The plaintiffs claim that through collusion between the Terminal company and the "Oregon Stages," the latter shows an operating revenue of 30c per automobile mile as against the Central motor bus line of 18c per mile and it is the plan of the defendants to eventually "freeze out" the plaintiffs. The plaintiffs demand a production of the books and records and failure of the company to produce the books that a receiver be appointed to take charge of the property of the Terminal company and for a judgment of \$3640 for their one-seventh of proceeds alleged to have been diverted to the "Oregon Stages" from the Central motor bus line.

Painleve, New French Premier, and Members of Cabinet He Formed After Briand's Failure



After former premier Briand was forced to give up his attempt to form a new government, following the fall of the Herriot Min He is shown above at the bottom (right). At the bottom (left) is Anatole de Monzie, Minister of Public Instruction. At the top (left) is Louis Loucheur, Minister of Commerce, and at the top (right) is Jules Steeg, Vice-President of the Cabinet.

JURY INDICTS CHILD BEATER

Grandmother, Accused of Flogging Child to Death, To Answer Charge

TILLAMOOK, Ore., April 25.—An indictment charging murder in the second degree was returned by the grand jury here today against Mrs. M. C. Patton accused of brutally killing her four year old granddaughter, Sylvia Louise, daughter of Mrs. Cora Descamps of Portland and C. B. Descamps of Washougal, on her homestead near Meda last Tuesday. The indictment followed a long hearing in which many witnesses were called. More than fifty people, mostly residents of the Meda district, waited in the court room during the day for the opportunity to testify. The alleged failure to act on a petition drawn up by neighbors to have the children taken out of her custody before the death of Sylvia occurred has caused severe censure of the county officials, some of the petitioners said.

INTEREST KEEN IN LINEN MILL

President of Chamber of Commerce Confident \$200,000 Monday

"Interest in the linen mill for Salem continues to grow as people become familiar with the investment," said T. M. Hicks, president of the Chamber of Commerce, in discussing work now being done by a dozen or more committees in taking stock subscriptions for the mill. The Dominion Linens Company of Toronto, Canada, and the four mills operated by the company, we feel satisfied that the proposition of D. M. Sanson, president of the company, to buy machinery, erect and operate a plant employing 250, offers a fine investment for the people of Salem and vicinity. Work for a total of \$300,000 stock subscriptions from Salem, Mr. Hicks stated that he felt confident subscriptions would total \$200,000 by Monday noon. Efforts are being made to increase the number of committees in order that within a week or two, the entire amount will be subscribed. Work outside of Salem will begin Monday afternoon when a committee will go to Silverton, and again Tuesday evening, when a meeting has been called by the Dallas Chamber of Commerce. The Dallas meeting Tuesday evening will be held in the circuit court room of the Polk county courthouse. Later in the week working committees will go to Albany and Corvallis as assurances have been received that both of these cities are deeply interested in this great linen mill of Salem. One interesting feature in the stock subscriptions is the fact that many who cannot invest heavily in the linen mill, are sending in their stock subscriptions for amounts ranging from \$200 to \$500. Many of these were mailed direct to the Chamber of Commerce. All workers report that everyone feels that right now is the time for Salem to go on record as either for or against the linen industry and that now is the time for Salem to establish itself as the center of linen manufacturing.

SUSPECTS RELEASED

SEATTLE, April 25.—Ed Rabior, former Portland policeman, and his wife, who were arrested here with Ed Gorman and two other men as suspects in a \$42,000 bank robbery at Nainaimo, B. C., December 12, were released tonight. Police discovered 500 rounds of ammunition, shotguns and pistols in Rabior's residence.

EDUCATOR ELECTED

BOISE, Idaho, April 25.—J. E. Turner, former superintendent of public schools at Payette was elected president of Lewiston normal school.

CONSTITUTION VIOLATED SAYS W. U. ATTORNEY

Tax Upon Gross Earnings of Public Utilities by Legislature Objected to by Western Union

EMERGENCY CLAUSE HELD OUT OF PLACE

Fees Prohibited Also Contention; Referendum Ballot Title is Completed

Objections to another act of the 1925 legislature were raised Saturday by the Western Union Telegraph company, of New York City, through Francis H. Stark, general attorney, who wrote the public service commission that the 10 per cent tax upon the gross earnings of public utilities was in direct violation to the Oregon constitution and cited several clauses to bear out the contention. "Fees set forth in house bill No. 455 seem to be a tax within the meaning of the Oregon constitution which specifically prohibits the declaring of an emergency in any act regulating taxation," the letter read. Power Is Questioned "It is seen that the legislature had no power to pass a law with the emergency clause attached and such an act would therefore seem to be in contravention of the state's constitution. The act does not provide that the fee be used by the public service commission but into the general fund and said fees used for general purposes." According to H. H. Corey, public service commissioner, who drew the original bill, the measure provided that fees collected should be utilized by the public service commission and did not carry an emergency clause, thus coming under the provisions of the constitution. Before the measure was passed by both houses, its purport had been altered to provide an added means of revenue to the state, by turning the fees into the general fund and the emergency clause added. This, Mr. Corey admits, does not comply with the provisions of the Oregon constitution. Check Being Held The public service commission is in receipt of a check for \$400 from the Western Union Telegraph company, representing its tax upon gross earnings, but payment has been stopped upon the check which is still being held. With the attack upon this measure from this angle, several of the measures designed as revenue producers are under fire. The referendum has been revoked upon the titling bill in general, covering the 10 per cent tax upon the bus measure and upon the 10 per cent tax upon cigarettes, known as the tobacco bill. Ballot title, requested by representatives of the Oregon Retail Dealers' association of Portland, was completed Saturday by I. H. Van Winkle, attorney general.

Former Pastor of Salem Church Called by Death

MEDFORD, Ore., April 25.—Dr. E. E. Gilbert, pastor of the First Methodist church of this city, and formerly superintendent of the Salem district of the Oregon conference, died at his home in this city tonight. Death was due to heart trouble, from which he had been suffering for three months. Dr. Gilbert had filled pulpits at Salem and previous pastorates here.

SATURDAY IN WASHINGTON

The DAR convention endorsed a national campaign against communism. Formal denial of reported atrocities in Bulgaria was made by the Bulgarian legation. President and Mrs. Coolidge were hosts on a week-end cruise down the Potomac. Proposals for a national conference on shipping were advanced by the United States chamber of Commerce.

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