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## COUNCIL CONSIDERS PLANNING OF SALEM

Ordinance Provides for Appointment of Commission of Seven Members

## WILL INSPECT WIRING

Electrical Work Measure Enlarges Duties of Sanitary and Plumbing Inspector; Fees Listed

A bill introduced and read for the first time last night by the city council provides for the creation and appointment of a city planning commission which will be organized at future meetings of the council. The ordinance provides that the mayor, city attorney, city engineer and seven members at large who are appointed by the mayor are to compose the committee that is to act upon the zoning and planning of the city of Salem.

The bill further provides that there shall be no compensation for members of the committee, which will recommend, make suggestions and assist in various ways in establishing streets, creating parks, residence districts and other activities of civic growth.

The seven members that are selected by the mayor are to serve terms of varied length on the commission, which defines action to be taken by members in doing their work.

Another bill was introduced which will create the office of electrical inspector, and regulates the electrical wiring work, and provides penalties for its infraction. The bill merely enlarges the duties of the sanitary and plumbing inspector, giving him authority to condemn electrical wiring, installation of electrical appliances which do not come up to specifications set by the bureau of standards. It provides that the inspector shall be notified after the job is completed, and to disconnect any electrical wiring and appliances that does not comply with the specifications, regardless of the time it has been installed.

A system of fees has been designed which vary in amount according to the character of the work to be inspected. The fees range from 5 cents to \$2.

A fine of \$200 and 30 days in jail can be given for infraction of the ordinance.

Two bills providing for the assessment of costs of improving alleys in blocks 8 and 20, were read for the third time and passed last night by the city council, while an ordinance for assessing costs of improving alley in block 19 was acted upon.

The sewerage problem of the property of G. F. Lleming, Sr., was called to attention when the owner appeared asking for an opinion of some sort, in order that he could have some course of action to pursue. The property is located on South High, in the Tuxedo addition.

Two sidewalk resolutions were introduced, while five declarations of kinds of improvement and stating specifications were filed for portions of North Fourth, Saginaw, Richmond, Oak and Liberty streets.

A bid from the Road Builders' Equipment company caused the council to take a 10-minute recess last night to discuss the

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## GANGSTERS ROUNDED UP

### CHICAGO POLICE ARREST 400; ACTION TAKEN

CHICAGO, June 15.—(By The Associated Press).—Gangland is on the run, municipal and county authorities asserted confidently tonight after a fifty hour campaign against the gangster and his gun.

More than 400 suspects had been placed under arrest at six o'clock this evening. At the same hour, State's Attorney Robert E. Crowe, after an hour's conference with Chief of Police Morgan A. Collins and Sheriff Peter M. Hoffman, asserted vehemently "we will not let down in our efforts for a single second until we have sent to jail every gangster, beer runner, criminal and law breaker we are able to apprehend."

A special session of the Cook county grand jury today indicted John Scallise and Albert Anselino, members of the beer running Genna gang, who were wounded in Saturday's battle with the police. Each was charged with murder on two counts, one for each of the police officers slain. The prisoners were denied bail and efforts will be made to have them brought to trial immediately.

## YOUNGEST LEGION MAN IS ENROLLED IN CITY

MAURICE PACKER, NOW 18, JOINS CAPITOL POST

French Orphan Placed on 162nd Infantry Muster Roll When 10 Years Old

Claim to the youngest full-fledged member of the American Legion in the United States is made by Capitol Post No. 9 with the enrollment last night of Maurice Packer, of Woodland, Cal., who is visiting Nic McKenzie, 2060 South High. Young Packer also joined the drum and bugle corps and is a proficient bugler. He is now 18 years old and has just completed his third year in high school.

When the 162nd Infantry was in France they officially adopted Maurice, a French orphan, and in order to keep him had him regularly enrolled upon the regimental roster in December, 1917, at the age of 10 years and 6 months. When the troops were in the line Maurice was placed with French families back of the lines and when relieved, were joined by the youngster who answered all roll-call formations.

Wearing three service stripes, more than worn by a majority of the men overseas, Maurice was mustered out with the rest of the regiment at Camp Lewis on April 16, 1919, after being carried on the army rolls for nearly a year and a half. He is entitled to full membership in the American Legion.

When first taken in charge by the soldiers, Maurice spoke but little English. In the six years he has been in this country he has completed all the grades and the first three years of high school. Upon being graduated in the spring he will come to Salem and make this city his future home.

## FLOOD TAKES LIFE TOLL

THREE DIE; \$1,250,000 PROPERTY DAMAGE REPORTED

DUBUQUE, Iowa, June 15.—(By The Associated Press).—Three lives and property loss estimated at \$1,250,000 was the toll taken by floods in Dubuque, Delaware and Buchanan counties today following torrential rains last night.

Mrs. Anna Kugel, 80 years old, and her daughter, Mrs. John Cowan, were drowned late this afternoon at Cascade when their home was carried away by the rushing flood waters. Neither of the bodies had been recovered to-night. A camp of Dubuque firemen were rushed to Cascade to-night equipped with grappling hooks and a life boat to aid in the rescue work.

Edward Bell, a garage mechanic at Cascade, was drowned when a boat in which he attempted to cross the main street of the town capsized. Bell had been aiding a party of workers in clearing away flood debris caused by the flow of the Maquoketa river which swept through the town.

The Baptist church at Cascade, a frame structure, collapsed this afternoon and it was believed a dozen homes in the flood district would be swept off their foundations.

## THREE DIE IN GAS BLAST

TERRIFIC REFINING PLANT EXPLOSION SHAKES CITY

PUEBLO, Colo., June 15.—(By The Associated Press).—Three persons were killed instantly at the refining plant of the standard oil company at Florence, Colo., late today in a terrific gas explosion which rocked the town and threw sheets of flame hundreds of feet. Cause of the blast is attributed to too high pressure in a gas still.

A fireman was seriously burned in the blast that ensued. Hundreds of townspeople turned out to help the fire department combat the blast, which still was raging early tonight, but which is believed to be under control. The extent of the damage has not yet been estimated.

The body of one of the victims was catapulted 500 feet.

## JOHNSON TO BE HONORED

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE WILL GIVE PAPER TO PLAYER

WASHINGTON, June 15.—(By The Associated Press).—From the hands of President Coolidge Walter Johnson, veteran Washington pitcher, will receive an engraved diploma Thursday proclaiming him the most valuable player to any club in the American league last year. The ceremony will take place immediately before the St. Louis-Washington game, in front of the box to be occupied by the president and Mrs. Coolidge. It will be the second game attended by them this season.

## ISABELLA POPE IS CALLED TO STAND

Sweetheart of "Billy" McClintock Tells of Events Before His Death

## SITUATION IS DRAMATIC

Girl Wears Engagement Ring on Stand; Attorneys for Defence Object to Much of the Testimony

CHICAGO, June 15.—(By The Associated Press).—Long awaited Great human interest element in the Shepherd murder trial was thrust dramatically into the spotlight late today when Miss Isabella Pope, who waited with a marriage license while "Billy" McClintock died, took the witness stand.

Still wearing the diamond engagement ring, presentation of which, the state contends, was the signal for William D. Shepherd to perpetrate the final deed in a 16-year-old plot to obtain the \$1,000,000 McClintock estate, the fatal administering of typhoid germs to "Billy," the frail, demure young woman added her bit to the mesh of circumstances the state is seeking to weave about the 50-year-old lawyer.

Much of Miss Pope's array of accusations against the man who prevented her marriage to young McClintock was kept out by defense objections and her story was not completed at adjournment.

The Shepherds were "nice" to her, testified Miss Pope, until it became apparent that Billy's intentions toward her were serious. It is the contention of the prosecution that Shepherd decided upon slaying the youth when he realized that the marriage would deprive him and his wife of a luxurious life obtained by the guardianship of the boy and also would break the will he had made upon becoming 21 years old, which

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## RICKEY DEFEATS SCHOOL

BUILDING LOST OUT BY TWO TO ONE VOTE

Plans for building and equipping a new two-room school in the Rickey district were defeated last night when a vote was taken on the proposition. The measure lost by a two to one count. Specifications called for a building, the cost of which was not to exceed \$5,000. Considerable interest was taken on the issue and an unusually heavy vote was polled.

At the school election George Edwards was appointed director and J. I. Caplinger elected clerk.

## CATHOLICS PLANNING THREE NEW BUILDINGS

PARRISH HOUSE, SCHOOL AND CHURCH MAY RISE

Plans Are Submitted For Proposed Improvements in North Part of City

Plans for the finest church in the city have been prepared by the architect and will be submitted to the Catholics of the city in the near future. In addition to the church a parish school and home for the parish priest is included. All three buildings will be of concrete construction while the home will have a stucco finish.

While no action is contemplated at once, the question of new building is being considered No definite word pertaining to the construction will be given until the appointment of a new arch-bishop, Father Buck said last night. The improvements are estimated in the neighborhood of \$100,000.

The buildings will occupy an entire block and will be located in the northern portion of the city. Under present plans it is proposed to extend Capitol north from the bend in the street to Highland avenue.

While no official action will be taken until the appointment is announced, it was learned Monday that it is planned to rush the construction if possible in order to have the buildings ready for school in the fall.

Erection of a \$45,000 parry school in Bend, the first of its kind in eastern Oregon, was recently announced. This building

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## TAX RECEIPT IS LARGE

### BIG SURPLUS OVER EXPENDITURE IS NOW EXPECTED

WASHINGTON, June 15.—(By The Associated Press).—Federal income tax collections for the fiscal year ending in June may reach \$1,775,000,000, it was predicted today at the treasury on the basis of receipts thus far reported in the June installment in time for payments of which expired to-night.

This forecast of the year's total meant that the receipts were expected to exceed the estimate made prior to the beginning of the fiscal year by more than one hundred million dollars and might go as high as \$115,000,000 above that amount.

Official reports to the treasury June 1 were said by Acting Secretary Winston today to have shown that only about \$200,000,000 in the June payment would carry the year's receipts above the estimate, and he expected the installment to range from \$320,000,000 to \$330,000,000. This would provide a surplus of receipts over expenditures which would materially exceed the estimated amount upon which the government could rely to reduce outstanding indebtedness.

## NEER IS EASY WINNER FOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR

ELECTION RETURNS SHOW TIBBITS LOST 3 TO 1

Light Vote Cast; Candidates Confuse With Advertising of Closing Hour

Frank E. Neer defeated J. G. Tibbits better than 3 to 1 in a light poll in the annual school election Monday. Neer received 398 ballots while the defeated candidate polled but 154. There were only 553 ballots against 1200 at the election in 1924.

Through error both candidates, in the campaign advertising, announced that the polls would be open from 2 until 8 o'clock while the legal announcement placed the closing hour at 7 o'clock.

Many people visited the poles between 7 and 8 o'clock and were surprised to learn that they were too late. There were not enough of these, if all voted for Tibbits, to change the final result of the election.

Last year there was considerable interest taken in the election as it was prior to a heavy building campaign. Mr. Neer was an unsuccessful candidate against Dr. H. H. Olinger, chairman of the board, who was reelected in a walk-away contest.

Mr. Neer succeeds Curtis Criss, whose term of office expired. He declined to become a candidate to succeed himself.

The issue this year centered about a redistribution of insurance policies, which was advocated by Mr. Tibbits, a real estate and insurance man. Mr. Neer has remained non-committal upon the question and made a personal campaign.

Mr. Neer had nothing to say relative to the election other than to thank his supporters. Mr. Tibbits could not be reached by telephone.

## McNARY IS IN PORTLAND

SENIOR SENATOR FROM OREGON TO ARRIVE SOON

PORTLAND, June 15.—Charles L. McNary, senior United States senator from Oregon, arrived in Portland tonight from Washington en route to his home at Salem.

The senator in an interview declared that the government had not dealt fairly with Clatsop county residents who had subscribed \$100,000 to acquire property which was conveyed to the government with the understanding that the navy department would spend in excess of \$1,000,000 in the development of a submarine and aviation base.

"I was advised by the secretary of the navy," said Senator McNary, "that no estimate would be made during this year for an appropriation to continue the development of a submarine and aviation base at Tongue Point."

## MEXICAN REPLY IS NOT COMMENTED ON

United States Fails to Answer Acid Note From Mexican Government

## SITUATION IS UNUSUAL

Sharply Worded Communication From America to Southern Country Is Expected to Bring Results

WASHINGTON, June 15.—(By The Associated Press).—Sharp language used by President Calles of Mexico in his public reply to Secretary Kellogg's warning that continued American support for his government depended on the protection of the lives and rights of Americans in Mexico failed to evoke any answer from administration officials here. It was made plain, however, that the Washington government would weigh acts rather than words in determining its future course.

The unusual procedure adopted by Mr. Kellogg with the approval of President Coolidge in resorting to a blunt public warning that the situation in Mexico City as to American interests was unsatisfactory, is now understood to have been fully debated before it was decided upon. It represents the difficulties encountered by Ambassador Sheffield in his efforts through the usual channels of the diplomatic corps to bring about satisfactory settlements in cases where American owned lands had been expropriated or violated by squatters.

Many notes and representations have been directed to the Mexican foreign offices in regard to these cases with little evidence that they were being heeded, and it was felt that Coolidge's sharply worded direct communication rounding up matters on the strength of the ambassador's personal report to the president and secretary of state would have been likely to share the same fate.

Additional communications with respect to pending cases, it is understood, will be dispatched to Mexico City and will inform the foreign office of future conversations between embassy officials and the foreign office there. Considered in the light of Mr. Kellogg's declaration of policy it is hoped that they will be more effective than similar representations already made.

In the meantime, Ambassador Sheffield had gone to New Haven to receive the collegiat degree which was his ostensible reason for coming home. Until he returns to his post, some observers predict, the actual results of the unheeded action of the administration in rebuking the Calles government in an official public statement may not be discernible.

## SALEM-PICKED PETALS STREWN FOR FESTIVAL

QUEEN SUZANNE SHOWERED WITH LOCAL PRODUCT

Battleship Oregon Docked in Portland Monday With Fitting Ceremonies

Thousands of delicately-tinted rose petals were strewn above Queen Suzanne, her court, the battleship Oregon and thousands of spectators gathered on the banks of the Willamette and on the Broadway bridge in Portland Monday noon—but the petals were not Portland petals but came from Salem.

Through arrangements by Dr. Charles E. Gill, Salem citizens spent considerable time Sunday afternoon gathering the fair petals from the bushes at the state house grounds. Seven large sacks were filled and in turn released from army airplanes flying above the crowd.

Without a hitch through the efforts of the Battleship Oregon commission; the famous old fighting craft which made a historic run from the Pacific coast to the harbor of Santiago in 1898, was towed from its temporary anchorage near St. Johns and placed in its permanent home at the east end of the Broadway bridge. All along the line whistles greeted the arrival of the vessel while work was practically at a standstill, for hundreds of employees of the various industrial plants along the river crowded to the edge of the water to see the craft.

Among a large number of Salem people making the trip were Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Clark, 1160 South Commercial. Mr. Clark has taken an active part in affairs which finally led to the vessel becoming the permanent property of the state.

Members of the Battleship Oregon commission are Col. Carl E. Abrams, chairman, Lyle Manning, Cora A. Thompson, Howard Waddell and Col. U. E. Worrilow. Governor Pierce was unable to attend and was represented by Jefferson Myers, former state treasurer.

## CHINESE TERRORS TOLD

DEATH OF MAN IS DESCRIBED BY GIRL COMPANION

SHANGHAI, June 15.—(By Associated Press).—William W. MacKenzie, an employee of the electric department of the Shanghai municipal council killed by Chinese on the Great Western road last night, was a British subject, as is Miss Mary Duncan, who was slightly wounded at the same time.

Miss Duncan, telling of the killing of her companion, said: "We encountered seven Chinese, all dressed like coolies, who stopped us near the Great Western road extension. MacKenzie asked what they wanted and they laughed, at the same time turning flashlights upon us. MacKenzie alighted and speaking in both English and Chinese, ordered them to leave. One of the Chinese then fired and MacKenzie ran back and jumped into the car, starting the engine.

"It seemed then that all the Chinese opened fire and suddenly MacKenzie lurched forward, telling me he had been shot and was dying. The car had gained headway and as he fell I took the wheel, steering while the Chinese were still firing."

It was discovered that Miss Duncan, who never before had driven a car, had guided the machine with the dead body of her escort for more than 1,000 yards into a settlement, finally coming to a stop when the car pitched into a six-foot ditch. She then awakened residents of a nearby dwelling.

The alarm was turned in by Officer Putnam, and was responded by two pumps.

A service station and a dwelling close to the garage were threatened for a time by the blaze which was quickly put out by the fire department.

## FIRE DESTROYS 2 CARS

MORNING BLAZE BREAKS OUT IN SALEM GARAGE

Two automobiles were destroyed in a fire that broke out in a private garage back of the Davis Service station, 2590 Fairgrounds road, this morning, at about 2:30 o'clock. The garage in which the cars were housed was saved. The blaze is believed to have started from a short circuit in one of the machines.

The automobiles were owned by Fred Nicholson and Davis. It is not known whether insurance was carried on them.

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## HEROIC RESCUE THRILLS

TWO WOMEN SAVED FROM BURNING BUILDING

SPOKANE, June 15.—Spectacular rescues of two women from the fifth floor of the burning Eilers building were made by firemen here late this afternoon. Both women were assisted from a window by Captain Elchenberg, who stood on the top rung of a swaying extension ladder.

Hundreds of persons who had crowded the street around the building sent up prolonged cheers as the women reached the street. The fire was confined to a studio on the fifth floor of the building but the dense smoke and heat forced the occupants of the building to go down the fire escape. Mostly women and children were on the top floors of the building.

## WIFE'S MURDER IS CHARGED TO YOUNG

Los Angeles Dentist Is Declared to Have Planned Crime Carefully

## DETAILS RECONSTRUCTED

Step-son, as Investigation of Officials, Destroys Million Dollar Will Made Out to Dentist

LOS ANGELES, June 15.—(Associated Press).—Careful planning of a premeditated murder was charged to Dr. Thomas W. Young, dentist, in the evidence produced late today at the coroner's inquest on the body of his wife, Grace, former widow of Patrick Grogan, olive millionaire.

At the conclusion of the testimony the coroner's jury laid the death of his wife at Young's door naming the means as "administration of lethal gas and strangulation."

Charles R. Myers, district attorney's investigator, took the stand in the investigation into the death of the woman whose body was found encased in concrete in a cistern at the Young cottage in Beverly Glen, near here, and detailed the high lights of Young's confessed preparations to cover his tracks before the killing took place as follows:

The pair had had frequent quarrels including one the night Mrs. Young disappeared, February 21, last, in which she slapped her husband's face, breaking his glasses.

They drove in their car from the roadhouse where this occurred to his office. There he plied his wife with liquor until she became confused. In this state he induced her to write a letter and a post-card addressed to him, which he had a friend mail in the next later to indicate that she was still alive after February 21.

The dentist also had her sign several blank pieces of paper for use, he said, in obtaining \$100,000 in Liberty bonds which he had given her a short while before.

Then they left the office, but not before he had pocketed a quantity of lethal gas, a cone and tube for administering it, and some cotton wadding. Mrs. Young fell asleep in the car, and as they drove towards the Beverly Glen, he placed the rubber tube in her mouth, adjusted the cone, poured in the lethal fluid and stopped her nostrils with the cotton.

When the dentist pulled up his car at the cottage door, his wife was dead beside him. He got a wheelbarrow and trundled her body into the house. Later he put it into the cistern and covered it with tarpaper and a layer of concrete. There it was found Saturday night, after he made his first confession following his detention by district attorney's investigators. Dr. A. F. Wagner, county autopsy surgeon testified, contradicting numerous published reports

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## DEFENSE TEST REFUSED

STATE OF WASHINGTON NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN EVENT

OLYMPIA, June 15.—(Associated Press).—Pointing out that the Washington national guard is the pivot organization around which any successful program for a defense test must be built and that it is now impracticable to use this organization for this purpose, Governor Roland Hartley has telegraphed Dwight F. Davis, acting secretary of war, that he does not deem it advisable for this state to attempt participation in the national defense day test, July 4.

The text of the governor's telegram in part follows:

"Our guardsmen are now in camp where they will be held for annual training and maneuvers until June 28. We have no funds whereby this period of encampment can be extended to July 4.

"The men are showing splendid loyalty and interest in their work and it is neither fair to them nor is it practical to call them back to colors for the proposed defense test.

"Our adjutant general and other officers of the guard upon whom we must rely to take initiative cannot assume responsibility for defense day plans because of stress of their official duties.

"While Washington is in sympathy with the national defense policy and our people take pride in their loyalty to the president under the circumstances, I do not deem it advisable for this state to attempt participation in the defense test which has been authorized for July 4.

(Signed).—Roland H. Hartley, Governor.

## THE FIRST ROWS OF SUMMER!

