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## DONALD FARMER IS VICTIM OF ASSAULT

### Jacob Stauffer, Badly Beaten, Drives Off Attackers With His Revolver

## ONE IS BELIEVED SHOT

### Hatless Auto Driver With Blood On Face Is Seen Speeding Through Aurora; Portland Is Notified

One man is believed to have been shot during an attempted assault on Jacob Stauffer, 60, a farmer living near Donald, when two men attacked him with clubs as he was entering his barn yesterday. Stauffer was severely beaten but drew a small revolver and emptied it at the men. At least one shot is believed to have taken effect as one of the men fell but later escaped. The cause of the attack is unknown.

Sheriff Oscar D. Bower and Deputy Bert Smith investigated immediately and have instructed officers on all highway points to keep watch for the car in which the bandits escaped. The machine passed through Aurora and a telephone operator there obtained the license number when he saw the car approaching at a high rate of speed. The driver was hatless and had blood streaks on his face. Sheriff Bower has asked all Willamette valley officials to keep close watch of hospital lists, as he believes the injured man must receive medical aid.

The attack occurred at about 4 o'clock Thursday. Stauffer was entering his barn and had started to open the doors when two men jumped out at him from the inside and beat him over the head with clubs. Stauffer fell but drew a revolver which he used until the blows he received on his head dazed him when he revived the men had gone. Several stitches were necessary to close the wounds on the farmer's head.

A week ago Stauffer was awakened by a noise in his barn yard. Going to a window he saw two men prowling around. He shouted to them and asked them what they wanted. They replied by telling him they were prohibition officers and that they had found a still on his place. He told them to leave, but instead they came to the front door and demanded entrance. Stauffer refused to let them in, and when the men started kicking the door in, Stauffer threw a shell in a rifle and threatened the intruders. They then left.

The farmer believes they were the same men who attacked him yesterday. He can give no explanation of the affair, declares he has no enemies, and cannot account for the attack. Officials here believe the man was assaulted by the two bandits who may have thought money was hidden.

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## FIRE SPECTATOR KILLED

### ONE KILLED, FOUR HURT IN LARGE SEATTLE BLAZE

SEATTLE, Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—A spectator lost his life, four firemen were injured and nearly half a million dollars damage was caused by a fire which destroyed the Colman creosote works here tonight. In his eagerness to see the blaze a man leaned too far over a wharf and fell into the water and drowned. Three firemen were hurt when a hose cart answering an alarm turned over at a corner. The fourth had his ankle sprained when he was struck by a hose coupling at the fire.

It was the first general alarm fire Seattle has experienced in two years. Every available piece of apparatus was called out and two fire tugs and seven pumps were kept working before the flames were brought under control.

## SUNBURN IS DANGEROUS

### BLOOD POISON DEVELOPS AND CONDITION IS SERIOUS

YAKIMA, Aug. 6.—A canoe ride from Ellensburg to Yakima last Sunday resulted in such severe sunburn on the body of Emery Sperry, a bank employe here, that blood poisoning has developed and physicians said tonight they were attempting to prevent Sperry's condition from becoming dangerous. They described his case as serious. Sperry and Phil Phillips, both of Yakima, made the trip of the Yakima river from Ellensburg in six hours. They were wearing only trunks. Sperry's body is virtually covered with blisters. Phillips was not so badly burned.

## 1925 PEPPERMINT CROP SETS NEW HIGH RECORD

### SALEM DRUGGIST CONTRACTS OUTPUT AT \$11.05

### Average Price Paid Per Pound During Last Fifteen Years Is Around \$3

The Oregon Cooperative Mint Growers' association has contracted with D. J. Fry of Salem, druggist and extensive buyer of crude drugs, for the purchase of the present season's output of peppermint oil of the members of that organization.

The price is \$11.05, much the highest price ever paid for such a supply of peppermint oil here. The price paid by Mr. Fry last year to the same association was \$4.10 per pound, for the same grade of oil. Mr. Fry also bought the association oil in 1923, and paid \$2.66 1/2 a pound for it.

The average price for the last fifteen years in the Salem district has been above \$3 a pound. For a short time during the war the price was about where it is now.

This means for "water white" oil, and nearly all peppermint oil in the Salem district is of that quality. A darker quality takes a lower price. The trade calls this the "natural oil." It is the distilled oil, and is refined here in Salem, and there is a movement for a refinery here. It will be successful if enough of the growers will join the cooperative association, as they should.

The total peppermint oil crop of the Willamette valley this season ought to be above 10,000 pounds; perhaps as much as 20,000 pounds. That is going to mean a considerable sum of money.

The Salem district produces the best oil of the peppermint in the world, and the largest amount to the acre. Our best beaverdam lands produce as high as 85 pounds to the acre; and 60 pounds is very common. It has the highest menthol content of any oil produced outside of Syria and England. It goes 51 per cent, against 38 for the eastern oil.

The work of distilling the oil in the Salem district is already proceeding. It costs about as much to grow peppermint as to produce hay; and the farmer has the mint hay after the oil has been extracted—good hay, most growers prize it as the best kind of hay.

It goes without saying that the high prices, due to bad weather conditions in the eastern districts, and to the destruction of the crop in Japan by the earthquake, will make a bigger boom than ever in mint growing here.

At the present prices, it is a bonanza crop. It is a good paying crop at an average of \$3 a pound.

## MINE SUBSIDY IS VOTED

### COMMONS PASSES MEASURE BY BALLOT OF 351 TO 16

LONDON, Aug. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—By a vote of 351 to 16, the house of commons tonight approved the government's supplementary estimate of 10,000,000 pounds sterling as a subvention to the coal mining industry.

So great a triumph in its endeavor to settle the controversy had not been expected by the government, although victory had seemed assured. Seldom have the opposition leaders had a better case for leading the government than when today Premier Baldwin sought parliamentary authority for the subvention, and they took full advantage of it. But they all had to acknowledge that, considering the circumstances as presented last Friday, the ministry had no other course to take to avert a defense of his course. Answering great industrial disaster. Mr. Baldwin started the debate with a charge of cowardice, he retorted:

"It is much easier to be rattled into a fight than to be rattled into peace."

He argued that, being confronted with a great alliance of trade unionists who had the power and will to inflict enormous and irreparable damage upon their country, he was justified in taking unusual means to gain time to ward off such danger.

## TRIP HALF COMPLETED

PEORIA, Ill., Aug. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—Three Californians in their 18 foot motorboat halted their transcontinental trip here at four o'clock this afternoon and will leave for La Salle in the morning. With their slogan, "Heaven, Hell or Hoboken," painted on their bow, Frank S. Tilton, Val Woodbury and John Edwin Hoag hope to reach New York City by September 15. They left Astoria, Ore., on May 20.

## MISSING CHEMIST SOUGHT BY POLICE

### Rewards Are Offered for Apprehension of Schwartz; Murder Charged

## HIGHWAYS ARE GUARDED

### All Transportation Systems Will Be Watched Carefully By Officials; May Have Left Country on Ship

MARTINEZ, Cal., Aug. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—Offering of two rewards for the apprehension of Charles Henry Schwartz, chemist of the Pacific Cellulose company, stimulated the efforts of police forces along the Pacific coast today to effect the capture of the man first thought to have perished in an explosion. Sheriff R. R. Veale put up a personal reward of \$100; Coleman Kluck, members of the board of directors of the cellulose company posted \$500, and Governor Richardson was required to offer \$1,000 out of the fund that is biennially appointed to his office for this purpose.

The search for Schwartz was broadened today to include the highways and byways of the sea in addition to all avenues of rail and road. An anonymous telephone call received by Chief of Police James T. Drew of Oakland told him that last Friday night a man answering the description of Schwartz had inquired for directions to the berth of the Swedish freighter Nordie.

"As this boat did not leave for Portland until last night, little importance is attached to the incident except to suggest the possibility that if Schwartz is still alive and a fugitive instead of a victim of the explosion as Mrs. Schwartz maintains, he might have attempted escape by water instead of by land."

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## COURSE IS INTRIGUING

### MEDICAL COLLEGE OPENS WITH VARIETY OF SUBJECTS

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—How would you like to be a doctor of symptomology, or etiology, or iridology? Possibly toxicology, physiopathology or phytotherapy would be more to your liking.

These are some of the things included in the curriculum of the American school of naturopathy which filed articles of incorporation today with the secretary of state. The school will be located at San Francisco.

Besides the above named branches the school will give instruction in therapeutic fasting, heliotherapy, serotherapy and chromotherapy.

## TEARS DIM EYES OF GIRL WARD OF MILLIONAIRE

### INVESTIGATION INTO ADOPTION IS NOW UNDER WAY

### Status of Case Probed; Girl Maintains Stoically That She Is Only 16

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—Tears for a little while today replaced the golden smile that won Mary Louise Spas her adoption by Edward W. Browning, millionaire real estate operator who has lavished clothes and jewels upon her during the past two days.

The tears were occasioned by persistent declarations that Mary is somewhat older than she admitted and by the announcement of Byrd E. Coler, commissioner of public welfare, that an inquiry into her adoption is under way. Browning's status as a divorced person also came under the commissioner's attention.

The assertion that Mary is 21 instead of 16, as she maintains, was made more definite when it was said that school records on file at the board of education revealed that Mary was brought to the United States in 1910 at the age of six.

"I don't believe the records, if they say Mary is 21," said Mr. Browning, while Mary added:

"I was one year old when I came here—I can't believe any record exists which make me six years old."

"It is a heart rending case," Mr. Coler said, discussing the adoption. "In our department supervising the welfare of thousands of children, we never allow a bachelor or a divorced person to adopt children. Above all, certainly no one, parent or not, has a right to sell a child. I am making an investigation of the transaction and if I find evidence that money passed between Browning

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## O'REILLY GETS PAROLE

### A 3-YEAR SENTENCE HANGS OVER FORMER OIL MAN

James O'Reilly was found guilty of embezzlement in the circuit court yesterday, and was sentenced to three years in state prison, and then paroled. A condition of the parole is that he violate no other law, and return to his employer the entire amount of money he misappropriated. The money must be returned within one year. The case was heard before Judge L. H. McMahan, but O'Reilly was sentenced by Judge Percy R. Kelly.

O'Reilly was formerly employed by the Shell Oil company here, and is said to have charged customers with script books which they never purchased. It is said that he then converted the coupons into money which he kept. The total amount of money taken from the company is placed at \$226. The Shell company recently secured a judgment against O'Reilly for the sum of \$7,000.

## GOVERNOR PIERCE PAYS OTHER WALTER'S BILL

### RIGHT STATEMENT IS MAILED TO WRONG MAN

### "An Honest Man Is Most Certainly the Noblest Work of God," Says Letter

Names may be nothing but names to the average person but to two persons of the same name the matter at times is of very much importance and they are apt to disagree with Shakespeare's query relative to the part played by a cognomen.

As a result of the similarity of two names, Governor Walter M. Pierce recently paid a small personal bill by rights belonging to Walter Pierce, of the Shell Oil company. As a further result, the honesty of several individuals was firmly established and Al Krause, Salem clothing merchant, has a letter of which he is very proud.

During the past month Walter Pierce had occasion to make a small purchase from Mr. Krause, feeling him to send the bill at the end of the month. This was done, but owing to the similarity of names, the statement, in the course of events, was received by Governor Walter M. Pierce.

"Perhaps the Governor rubbed his head in an effort to recall the forgotten purchase, but at any rate, being an honest man and believing it to be the duty of every citizen to pay his bills, he sat down, probably reflecting upon the present low condition of the market for white faced calves, and mailed a check to Mr. Krause.

Upon receiving the check Mr. Krause realized that the statement had been sent to the wrong Mr. Pierce and he too, being an honest man, returned the check to the Governor with a simple explanation.

The receipt of the check was acknowledged in a personal letter and with appropriate remarks. In closing the Governor wrote: "An honest man is most certainly the noblest work of God."

## FIERY DRIVE IS MADE

### ENGINE CREW TAKES TRAIN THROUGH SOLID FLAMES

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Aug. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—A crew of men were forced to drive a locomotive a quarter of a mile through a solid flame of fire and over four wooden bridges, one of which was ablaze to save themselves from death when the Lyman Timber company plant, 20 miles south of here was destroyed by a forest fire tonight.

After most of the men had been discharged, the locomotive returned in an effort to save the burning bridge, but it had already collapsed. Three girls employed in the cook house of the company stuck to their jobs providing food for fire fighters, until all hope of saving the camps had been given up late in the afternoon.

## PURE WATER MOVE WILL OPEN MONDAY

### Public Meeting Called for Chamber of Commerce Rooms by Mayor Giese

## MUST BUY LOCAL PLANT

### Appraisal of Valuation Necessary Before Matter Can Be Placed Before People for Final Action

The first step toward obtaining an adequate supply of mountain water for Salem will be taken at an open meeting called for the Chamber of Commerce rooms Monday night by Mayor John B. Giese. The question has been considered and agitated for years but no definite move has been taken heretofore other than a survey of a possible site in the Cascade range.

The meeting Monday night will center around the best and most economical method in obtaining an appraisal valuation of the Salem Water company plant. Before any action can be taken toward tapping the abundant sources of pure and cold mountain water that can be obtained by Salem, the first move will be to take over the present water plant.

Figures for the cost of this must be obtained before the matter can be placed before the people, possibly at a special election to be held in October, when three amendments to the charter are to be considered. Conditions must be thoroughly understood and the expenses estimated.

The meeting Monday night will be an open one with leading citizens of the city who have the development of Salem at heart participating in the general discussion. George Wenderoth, chairman of the special committee of the city, will attend and explain the results of the investigations carried on by the committee.

For some time the present water system has been considered inadequate by a great many people. The source of supply, the Willamette river, forces the city to drink warm water at the best. Pressure is not as great as it should be as is evinced by lowering of the water in the reservoir during the recent Cherry City mill fire. This season has been the first in several that the water company has not made a public appeal to conserve water and to turn off all faucets whenever the fire whistle blows.

Disatisfaction was expressed on all sides recently when the water carried a nauseating flavor that could not be explained by the water company officials. This gave rise to countless rumors that a body had been found in the reservoir. Fearing that a hole had been made in the intake pipe in the bottom of the slough, a diver was kept at work several days seeking to discover the opening, though none was reported.

With water coming direct into the homes from an inexhaustible supply in the mountains, repetition of unsatisfactory conditions in the past will be impossible, it is believed, and the city provided with sufficient water to meet not only current needs, but to provide for the constant growth of the city.

## LIQUOR CHARGES MADE

### POLICE INFORMER SAID TO HAVE FURNISHED BOOZE

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—Liquor supplied by a police informer was a prelude to alleged remarks concerning the kidnaping of Mary Pickford, screen star, at a party in a downtown Los Angeles hotel, May 28 last, testimony of G. S. Stephens, one of three men on trial here, declared late today.

Stephens testified that Louie Geck, the informer, brought liquor to the hotel, invited the three men to his room and indulged in "kidnaping talk" with them while detectives in an adjoining room listened with the aid of a physician's stethoscope clapped to a door crack.

Further than that, Stephens said, when he was arrested near Mary Pickford's Hollywood studio the following day, he did not go there with any intention to kidnap the actress but to drive Geck there to see a friend.

## TWO BOYS DROWN

SEATTLE, Aug. 6.—Jack Ikord and Richard Gilbert, each nine years old, drowned today at Seattle while swimming, despite efforts of youthful companions to rescue them.

## SILVERTON LOGGER IS GIVEN JOLT BY JUDGE

### ALLEGED DRUNKEN DRIVER HEAVILY PENALIZED

### Ray Able Gets 30 Days in Jail, \$100 Fine and Loses His Drivers' License

The stiffest sentence ever imposed by Police Judge Poulsen for conviction on a charge of operating a car while intoxicated was yesterday meted out to Ray Able, Silvertown logger. Able was sentenced to serve 30 days in the city jail, pay a fine of \$100, and his driving license was suspended for an indeterminate period of from 90 days to one year, depending upon his future conduct.

Able was found guilty by a police court jury Wednesday that took but 15 minutes for deliberation.

Don Miles, attorney for Able, entered vigorous protest to the sentence of Judge Poulsen, with the assertion that it was exorbitant but the plea failed to secure leniency. The defendant's arrest by police on July 26 was the second time that he had appeared in police court. On a previous occasion he was arrested and held by police pending disposition of a charge of larceny of an automobile. The charge, entered on information from Silvertown police, was later withdrawn.

At the time of his first arrest, it is said, Able was in the company of a party, most of whom were intoxicated. When arrested on July 26 he was in the company of L. Frasier and Ruby Green. Miss Green was formerly of Silvertown but has recently moved to Salem where she is employed at the Bertie Shafer rooming house at 219 Court.

## KLANSMEN WILL PARADE

### LARGE NUMBERS GATHER FOR WASHINGTON MEETING

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—High officials of the Ku Klux Klan were assembling in Washington tonight in preparation for their demonstration Saturday and police issued their final orders for the day, expecting no trouble, but ready for it.

The influx of visitors, including the families of many of the klansmen, began early in the day with the arrival of automobile caravans. Inquiries at Klan headquarters failed to learn how many members had arrived tonight, but the latest estimate of the total number to attend the celebration was 60,000. The number has fluctuated between more than 300,000 and 500,000 in various estimates by Klan leaders here.

The police orders amplifying earlier instructions calling every available officer to duty on Saturday, outlined the route of the parade and gave the marchers the right of way at street intersections. They provided also that the usual wake of foot and motor traffic at the end of the procession must remain three blocks distant at all times.

Other developments today included reports of the existence of a citizens committee secretly self-appointed to insure avoidance of any disorders.

With the members of the Marion County Veterans' association, protest the act of congress which permits the coinage and sale of souvenir half-dollars for procurement of funds to erect a monument on Stone mountain to the memory and praise of Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson and Jeff Davis, leaders in the treason and

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## CHILD HIDDEN IN SEWER

### THREE-YEAR-OLD GIRL NEAR DEATH WHEN FOUND

CHICAGO, Aug. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—A three-year-old girl, buried alive in a sewer by a crippled man who had kidnapped her, was rescued today after the child's 13-year-old brother had heard her faint cries for help and had traced them to the catch basin of the sewer.

There, after the heavy iron cover had been lifted from the catch basin, seven feet deep, the little girl was found almost exhausted, in about six inches of water. Physicians said that she had not been harmed, but that she would have died in the sewer within a few hours from lack of air.

The girl, Bessie Dorn, daughter of Samuel Dorn, cigar manufacturer disappeared last night. She said a crippled man had taken her and placed her in the catch basin. The father asked the police to look for a man with whom he recently quarreled and tonight a tailor, who answered the meager description given by the child was taken into custody for questioning.

## WOMAN KILLED BY BANDIT

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—Used as a human shield by one of a gang of truck thieves, Mrs. Mary Connelley, 35, the mother of four children, was shot and killed today as she stepped to the street from her home. A detective was seriously wounded.

## VETERANS' GROUP VOICES PROTESTS

### Use of Arlington Mansion as Museum for Confederate Relics Arouses Ire

## OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

### Mrs. Norma Terwilliger of Salem Elected Secretary for Sixth Consecutive Time at Silvertown Meet

Branding the act as an "infamous insult to our hero dead," the Marion County Veterans' association in business session at Silvertown Thursday morning, unanimously adopted a resolution protesting against the opening of the Arlington mansion at the national cemetery as a museum for the display of relics of General Lee and the confederacy. Condemnation of the use of the mansion as a museum was preceded in the resolution by a "vigorous protest against the treasonable act of the Daughters of the Confederacy in attempting to have the United States flag removed from our Arlington national cemetery."

In a second resolution of nearly equal emphasis the organization "strenuously protests against the act of congress which permits the coinage and sale of souvenir half-dollars for procurement of funds to erect a monument on Stone mountain to the memory and praise of Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson and Jeff Davis, leaders in the treason and" and demands that steps be immediately taken to repeal this law. "We further demand," reads the resolution, "that no more of our national funds be perverted to the support of anyone or any cause that is inimical or so-called to our union."

The resolutions are to be sent to congress and also to all patriotic organizations in the country with the request that these organizations take similar action. The veterans' association is composed of some 200 members representing the following organizations: G.A.R. and its auxiliary; W.R.C. Daughters of Veterans; Sons of Veterans and its auxiliary; United Spanish-American War Veterans and its auxiliary; American Legion and its auxiliary; and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The two resolutions which received the unanimous vote of the more than 100 members of the association follow in full:

"We, the members of the Marion County Veterans' association, protest the act of congress which permits the coinage and sale of souvenir half-dollars for procurement of funds to erect a monument on Stone mountain to the memory and praise of Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson and Jeff Davis, leaders in the treason and

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## FORD BUYS NEW PLANT

### AIRPLANE FACTORY BOUGHT BY AUTOMOBILE KING

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—The Stout Metal Airplane company of Detroit has been purchased by the Ford Motor company, an announcement said tonight. The financial consideration was not made known, but \$1,000,000 was estimated as the amount involved. In a statement issued by Henry Ford, president of the motor company, he said:

"The building of Stout all-metal planes will henceforth be carried on by the Stout Metal Airplane division of the Ford Motor company."

It was pointed out in connection with the sale the way is now left open to the Ford company to carry out their researches along aeronautical lines, as they see fit, and independently of opinions of committees and stockholders who might otherwise retard the work. A statement issued by the Ford company's office said in part:

"The Ford Motor company became a manufacturer of airplanes July 31, by purchasing all stock and assets of the Stout Airplane company."

"Operations will be continued in the factory building at the Ford airport, Dearborn, where four planes have already been built, and others are under construction."

## CLEVELAND MAN ELECTED

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—William McGonigal of Cleveland, Ohio, was elected president of the national association of retail meat dealers at the closing session of the 49th annual convention here today. Seattle, Wash., was given the 1927 convention over Dubuque, Iowa.