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## HOUSE NUMBER CHANGE RULED

Every Lot in City Will Be Checked, Each Building to Be Designated

## UNITED SUPPORT GIVEN

Garbage Committee Indicates Report Will Soon Reveal Adequate Solution of City's Refuse Problem

An ordinance correcting the city's house numbering system was passed by the city council at its meeting Monday night without a dissenting vote. The ordinance has the approval of the post office authorities, the city engineer, the chamber of commerce, insurance men, and several others actively interested.

Under the new system, every lot in the city is to be numbered accurately. Under the provision of the ordinance, the city engineer is instructed to draw up a map of the city and, guided by the ordinance, to number each lot.

Every house must hereafter have the right number, according to the revised system. The century system is used; that is, there are 100 numbers to each block. The numbers are governed north and south from State street and east and west from Water street.

It is the duty of the property owner, under the ordinance, to see that the right number is on his lot. If the wrong number is used, it is the duty of the chief of police and the street commissioner to notify the person that his number is wrong. If he does not change in 30 days after the notice, he is liable to a fine of not less than \$2 and not more than \$10. Each week in which he ignores the notification is construed as a separate misdemeanor, and fines levied accordingly.

The measure was declared an emergency, and will be in effect as soon as the mayor shall approve of it.

Alderman W. H. Dancy stated that the garbage committee hopes to report in the near future that they have consummated a deal whereby the city's garbage shall be amply taken care of.

The council voted, at the request of Mayor J. B. Geary, to hold a band concert and to turn on the memorial fountain in Wilson park in honor of the I. O. O. F. members, who will meet in this city May 24 and 25. Oscar Steelhammer, director of the municipal band, favors the concert.

Quarters of the city's firemen were branded "congested" and lacking in facilities by Alderman W. H. Dancy. The council voted to instruct the building committee to see that proper kitchen and dining room facilities are provided at once, and to purchase a gas stove to take the place of the lone gas plate upon which firemen now are forced to cook their meals. The improvements will cost about \$250.

Chief Harry Hutton will attend the state fire chiefs' convention to be held in Corvallis the latter part of this month. He will have his expenses paid by the city. The state forestry department is to put on a school of forest fire fighting.

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**Monday In Washington**

The sale of Admiral-Orion line was inquired into by a senate committee.

Judge English of Illinois denied impeachment charges at the bar of the senate committee.

Congressional immunity was invoked by Representative Laguardia in declining to testify before an Indianapolis grand jury.

Of the Haugen farm reclamation is announced by Representative Rainey of Illinois, chairman of a special democratic farm group.

The Boulder canyon project was opposed by Chairman Madden of the house appropriations committee and endorsed by Secretary Work.

Limitation of treasury department's power in designating federal buildings were agreed to at a bipartisan conferece.

## Seething Surf Battled In Struggle for Lives

Tale of Vikings of U. S. Sea Service Related by Crew; Coast Guard and Lighthouse Men Rescued After Being Beat About on Jagged Rocks

SAN PEDRO, Cal., May 3.—(By Associated Press.)—This is a saga of the Vikings of the United States coast guard and light house services. Its theme is a battle of bare hands and bruised bodies against a piling surf and jagged rocks—and the bare hands, American hands, won.

The story of the struggle yesterday off South Point, Santa Rosa Island, came to port today by the coast guard craft 254, which also brought here for hospital attention two members of the crew of the lighthouse tender Sequoia.

A surf, 10 feet higher than ordinary, was tumbling against the rocks of South Point yesterday when the Sequoia's whale boat, nine men aboard her, put off to re-charge a beacon on the point. Five men were landed and the remaining four anchored their whale boat outside the breakers. Two anchors and a line ashore held the whale boat, but four great waves poured over her in rapid succession, she was capsized and Boatswain D. Araroff and his three seamen were thrown overboard.

In the surf that hammered the rocks they fought for their lives, each man for himself.

Azaroff was swept into a rocky cove where he could scarcely get a foothold on the cliff. Combers pounded him about like a cork and his head was badly cut. Seaman Midgett was carried 300 yards up the coast line, got a foothold in spite of the battering surf and twice was swept away. Both times Mate Brodie, who had landed with the shore party of five, jumped into the sea and dragged Midgett to his precarious hold on the rocks. The seaman was seriously cut from head to foot and possibly injured internally.

Aboard the Sequoia Captain J. A. Sellman saw the plight of his men and sent word to the C. G. 254 for help. The 254 was anchored at Johnson's lee lying in wait for a rum smuggler, but she gave up that scent to hurry to the rescue.

The 254 is a smallish craft herself and the boats she carried in-board are merely corks. But that failed to daunt her commander, Boatswain L. H. Williams.

He launched the dinghy, manned it himself and made nine separate trips through the boiling surf. Each time he came back with a man, four from the whale-boat party, five from the shore.

Today the CG-254 ran into San Pedro with Azaroff and Midgett and landed them for hospital attention. Surgeons said they would pull through despite the terrific beating received between the hammer of the waves and the anvil of rocks.

Williams and the little 254 are back on the job tonight at Johnson's lee watching for that rum smuggler.

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Registrations for Marion county for the primary elections total 20,297, according to figures given out Monday by U. G. Boyer, county clerk, following a compilation of reports taking in all voting precincts in the city. Of this number, 11,671 of those registering were men and 8536 were women.

A total of 15,136 registration blanks were made out by those voting the republican ticket, against 6413 favoring the policies of the democratic party. In the republican ranks, 8723 men registered and 6414 women are listed. Male registrants in the democratic party totaled 2450, and females 1756.

The only party in which women voters outnumber the men is in the prohibitionist ranks. In this group only 58 men registered, against 184 women, a total of 464.

Only those registering as either republicans or democrats will be able to vote at the primary election, other than in the city contest, as only representatives of the two old-line parties are named in the ballots, and as the election is strictly of a nominating nature. Eliminating those registering in other parties, only 19,343 are eligible to vote in the main primary election. In the class of those not able to vote are the ones who refused to give their party politics when registering, and were consequently classed as "miscellaneous." Of this number 37 were men and 30 women, a total of 67.

A table showing the complete registration for Marion county follows:

	Male	Female	Total
Repub.	8,723	6,413	15,136
Dem.	2,450	1,756	4,207
Prog.	48	23	71
Socialist	75	22	97
Proh.	15	107	122
Independent	280	184	464
Misc.	37	30	67
Grand total	11,671	8,536	20,207

**SALMON FISHING SLOW**

ASTORIA, Or., May 3.—(By the Associated Press.)—Lack of fish in the river, coupled with the fishermen's strike now in progress, has cut returns from the opening days of the Columbia river salmon fishing season to a minimum.

"The strike being waged by the Columbia river fishermen's union to obtain 14 cents a pound for raw fish instead of the packers offer of 13 cents a pound has swept the river almost clear of gill net boats of which about 1500 are normally on the river at this time of the year.

**GOLD TO BE DUG IN SAND**

PLATINUM, ALSO, BELIEVED PRESENT ON BEACHES

Gus Moser, Portland attorney, and Chas. Hall, banker of Marshfield, spent Monday in Salem conferring with members of the state land board with relation to executing a contract authorizing the establishment of a plant in Curry county for the extraction of gold and platinum from beach sand.

It was said that the process adopted by the company represented by Mr. Moser and Mr. Hall has been tried out in Josephine county and was found to be successful. Promoters of the project recently incorporated in Portland.

**WOULD RESERVE TIMBER**

WASHINGTON, May 3.—(By Associated Press.)—Reservation by the government of merchantable timber on all tribal lands within the Klamath Indian reservation, Oregon, is provided in a bill as passed by the house today and sent to the senate.

## COUNCIL OKEYS STREET BUSES

Cars Will Be Taken Off South Commercial-Fairgrounds Road Run

## \$25 LICENSE FEE SET

Ordinance Passes Without Change Following Long Debate, Passenger Charge and License Debated

After a protracted and heated discussion lasting nearly an hour, the city council Monday night sealed finally the fate of the street cars on the South Commercial street-Fairgrounds Road run. Permission was granted to the Salem Street Railway company to abandon its tracks on the run and to substitute for the cars street buses.

In spite of the long period consumed to decide the matter, not a single change was made in the ordinance as it was submitted to the council.

Two changes were sought; to leave the annual license per bus at \$50, the same as paid by the street cars, instead of reducing it to \$25, and to eliminate section 4, which specifies that the company shall charge the same fare as on the street cars.

In defense of move to leave the license fee at \$50, Alderman Hal Patton pointed out that the buses will be under the same franchise as that under which the cars are run. The franchise calls for a \$50 fee. He also pointed out that the company, now that it is to run buses, will no longer pay for the upkeep of the road bed on which it runs or for the bridges over which it operates.

As for the specified clause that the same fare should be maintained, Alderman Patton declared that by passing such a clause, the city virtually commits itself to the 7-cent fare. People are beginning to agitate for a 5-cent fare, Patton contends, and the city should not declare itself for a higher rate.

The council went into the committee of the whole, and while in such session, passed an amendment bringing the fee back to \$50. Several aldermen, led by Alderman W. H. Dancy, objected to the amendment, however, and the report of the committee of the whole was rejected.

Alderman E. B. Grabenhorst suggested that an ordinance covering all the lines in the city should be adopted instead of an smugler.

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## FARMERS BAND IN PRICE WAR

Pool Representing 100 Tons of Cherries Formed, 300 Set as Goal

## SIX CENTS NOW OFFERED

Every Cherry in Valley Represented at Meeting, Crusade Against Cherry Fly Will Open at Once

A huge cherry pool, formed by local cherry men to get a higher price for their cherries than canerymen have offered so far, and a Willamette valley-wide crusade against the cherry fruit fly were the two developments of a meeting of cherry men held Monday afternoon at the chamber of commerce rooms.

In spite of the fact that the pool was formed only Monday, 13 cherry growers have already signed, representing 100 tons of cherries. It is estimated by these that the pool when complete will represent about 300 tons. This will take care of practically all of the cherries in this vicinity besides those grown by farmers who sell to cooperative canneries.

Only 6 cents per pound has been offered by independent canneries. The cherry crop this year will only be about 50 per cent normal. At such a price as that laid down, cherry growers assert, they cannot make a living income from their crops. Their avowed purpose in forming the pool is to urge the Oregon Agricultural college. It was at first planned to take them also to Eugene, but this was abandoned because of lack of time.

Thursday afternoon the girls of the senior class are giving the tea, led by Miss Dorothy Robnett, niece of Mrs. Brown.

Friday morning at 11 o'clock the debaters will appear before the students of the local high school in an assembly at which they will be duly received.

Friday afternoon is devoted to rest. The debaters will group with their coach and will not be disturbed.

Friday evening—then will come the actual debate, which has been anticipated for nearly a year. The eastern end of the debate, because of the difference in time here and back east, will be held at such a time that the result of the debate will be known here before this end of the debate is started. Hence, all will hinge on the outcome of the local debate.

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## Atlantic Coast Debaters Will Reach Salem Today

Coast to Coast Debate Will Take Place in Armory, Friday Night, Salem, Oregon, Squad Detrain in Massachusetts Tuesday as Planned

Members of the Salem, Mass., debate team will arrive in this city this evening at about 8:30 o'clock on the Shasta limited. During their stay in this vicinity they are to be entertained extensively.

On this day, when the eastern team is arriving here, the local team is reaching Boston, at noon. Yesterday they visited Detroit, where they were taken completely through the Ford factory. Tonight they will be met by Salem, Mass. Rotarians, who will conduct them to the scene of the eastern end of the debate.

The debate is to be held this Friday evening at 8 o'clock. After the various and sundry rumors and reports and veiled intimations, the Salem armory has been definitely chosen as the scene of the debate. The last heard of proposal to use the Hellig hall has fallen through because of its limited seating capacity.

Another matter now definitely settled, with but four days remaining until the debate, is the selection of the judges. They will be Miss Cornelia Marvin, state librarian, Prof. E. T. De Cou, head of the mathematics department at Oregon university, and Dr. Frederick Barchold, head of the English department at OAC. Governor or Walter M. Pierce will preside, as originally planned.

But a few hours of inactivity will be experienced by the visiting debaters. They will be entertained this evening at homes of various prominent Salemites.

Wednesday morning, enjoying the hospitality of the Salem Lions club, they will motor to Toledo, where they will indulge in a trout dinner. They will then be taken to view one of the largest saw mills in the world.

Thursday morning the Lions will escort the debaters to Corvallis to view the Oregon Agricultural college. It was at first planned to take them also to Eugene, but this was abandoned because of lack of time.

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## STRIKE CALLS ARE ORDERED

Organized Labor in Great Britain Calls General Strike at Midnight

## PREPARATIONS ARE MADE

Five Million Men Are Backing Coal Miners; Government Prepares for Distribution of Food

LONDON, May 3.—(By Associated Press.)—Organized labor of Great Britain is in revolt. Five million men are backing up the miners demand for what they consider a living wage and proper working conditions. At midnight a general strike of the industrial workers became effect throughout the country.

The widespread demonstration, will, unless speedily terminated, cause untold suffering with the loss of millions in money.

The last hours before the general strike call went forth were anxious ones. Thousands of citizens assembled in parliament square and the adjoining streets, while within the house, ministers of the crown and former ministers, representing labor, battled in support of their respective contentions. Premier Baldwin criticized the labor leaders, on the ground that, in ordering the general strike, they were threatening the basis of orderly government and were nearer to proclaiming civil war than Great Britain had for centuries.

Winston Churchill, chancellor of the exchequer, asserted that if this conflict were fought out to its conclusion, it could only mean the end of parliamentary government or its decisive victory.

From a kind of apathy the people of Great Britain and particularly of London, central point of the struggle, turned to anxious speculation as it became apparent that the negotiations for a settlement were to fail for even the lowest citizen realized what a widespread strike of this kind meant, with stoppage of railway and transport services, the cessation of all building operations, the possible suspension of shipping a breakdown of the distribution of food supplies, the rationing of fuel and light, suspension of the newspapers and interference with all business.

The government has made preparations, backed by thousands of volunteers to continue what are distribution of food, bread and known as the vital services, the

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## Cause of Coal Strike

### WHY BRITISH MINERS HAVE LEFT THEIR WORK

LONDON, May 3.—(By Associated Press.)—The actual position in disputes as between the government and miner is:

The miners' leaders contend that the men should not be asked to accept reduced wages and lengthened hours until the government has taken steps to put into operation the recommendations for the reorganization of the mining industry made by the royal commission.

Estimates by impartial experts said the miners' wages vary from 75 shillings (\$18) weekly for the highest paid skilled workers to 45 shillings for unskilled men, and, in addition, the men generally receive gratis supplies of household coal.

The commissions report, although it did not precisely exclude the possibility of longer hours of work, emphasized the hope that such lengthening would not be necessary, because in the commission's opinion, longer hours would bring increasing unemployment and probably would cause an extension of hours of work in the continental coal fields, thus increasing competition and thus leaving the situation as bad as before.

Up to the present time the government has only made promises of putting the commission's recommendations into effect, but no step of any kind to that end has been taken in parliament.

## RAIN BRINGS FARM JOY

### MILLION DOLLAR RAIN BRING OPTIMISTIC GRINS

The time-honored phrase, "a million dollar rain," could be aptly applied to the showers Salem experienced Monday, in the opinion of farmers and fruit men in this district. While yesterday's rain helped greatly, another day of gentle precipitation would be welcome, it is said. Half an inch of rain fell during Monday afternoon and evening.

While Willamette valley farmers are rejoicing over showers, Associated Press reports from New Orleans, La., report that officials estimated yesterday that several hundred thousand dollars worth of property damage was caused by a record breaking rainfall there during a 24-hour period. The total precipitation for Sunday and Monday was 9.08 inches. More than a score of worshippers in a church were marooned for 16 hours until removed on a raft.

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## 20 INJURED IN CRASH

### THEATER CEILING FALLS; A WILD RUSH FOLLOWS

WILKES BARRE, Pa., May 3.—(By Associated Press.)—Twenty persons were injured, several seriously, either by falling debris or in a mad rush for safety when a section of the ceiling of the Savoy theater fell today.

The accident occurred when the theater, one of the largest movie houses in the city, was only partly filled. The section which fell was 45 feet wide and more than 50 feet long and weighed approximately 11 tons.

Charged electric wires were carried down by the debris and several persons received severe shocks and burns as well as lacerations and bruises.

City officials expressed the opinion that the collapse was caused by the vibration of a large electric motor beneath the stage, used to operate the organ bellows.

## WAGE QUESTION LOOMS

### PORTLAND CONTRACTORS DECLINE TO HONOR PLAN

PORTLAND, May 3.—(By Associated Press.)—Portland building contractors today declined to submit their differences with the building trades over a wage increase to the state board of conciliation for arbitration.

The contractors suggested that the question be put up to a committee composed of one representative of the laborers, one from the contractors and a neutral man agreeable to both sides.

The unions involved in the wage dispute had asked that the board of conciliation be allowed to settle the dispute.

## AUTO CRASH IS FATAL

### VICTIM, 22, DIES WHEN TWO CARS COLLIDE

BEND, Or., May 3.—(By Associated Press.)—Walter Crosswhite 22, died early today as a result of injuries received in an automobile collision 24 hours earlier on the Dalles-California highway a mile north of Bend. He suffered internal injuries, fractured skull and both ears were torn off. There were four men in the two cars which collided. George Kibbe was seriously injured. The others escaped with scratches.

## AGED MAN HANGS SELF

### DESPONDENT AND ALONE, DECIDES LIFE USELESS

JEFFERSON, May 3.—Despondent and alone, Matt Siggenshi who for 30 years has lived on a farm near Greene's bridge, decided life wasn't worth while, despite last Sunday's sunshine. So he picked up a rope and went into the woodshed.

He was found hanging, shortly before noon. He was 83 years old, was born in Germany, and had passed 55 years of his life in the county. He had no known relatives in this country. Funeral services will be held here at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning with interment in Jefferson cemetery. No inquest will be held.

## WILKINS TO GO NORTH

### 500 MILE FLIGHT OVER ARCTIC IS TO BE MADE

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, May 3.—(By Associated Press.)—Captain George Hubert Wilkins, leader and Carl B. Eielson, aviator of the Detroit Arctic expedition prepared here today for a flight of 500 miles over the Arctic ocean.

The expedition was organized to search for land in the Arctic ocean, and March 21 Wilkins and Eielson flew north 150 miles from the edge of North America going further than any recorded penetration in this direction.

## STAGE WORK HURRIED

### 20 MEN NEEDED TO SHIFT SCENES IN REVUE

Some conception of the vast amount of work entailed in the staging of a production such as the "Scandals" coming to the Hellig theater tonight, can be gained by knowledge that while spectators are viewing the action, 20 men are scurrying about behind the drops preparing for the next scene. Ten men, skilled in scene shifting, are carried by the company, and these will work with the regular crew of ten employed by the Salem theater.

There are nearly 100 people in the company coming here in the "Scandals." Fifty take part in the chorus. A symphony orchestra composed of 15 pieces accompanies the company on its tour of the country.

Two baggage cars are needed to transport the scenery and special equipment, and the company moves in two Pullman cars.

