

SEVENTY-SIXTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, SUNDAY MORNING, JULY 18, 1926

PRICE FIVE CENTS

PASTOR KILLS; ORDERED HELD

Rev. J. Frank Norris, Nationally Known, Arrested on Murder Charge

CHURCH OFFICE SCENE

Wealthy Lumberman, Fort Worth, Is Shot to Death Following Dispute; Self-Defense Is Claimed

FORT WORTH, Texas, July 17.—(By Associated Press)—Fifteen stormy years, during which he has gained national celebrity as a fundamentalist and as a revivalist, were climaxed for Rev. J. Frank Norris Saturday afternoon when he was charged with murder after the slaying of D. E. Chipps, well-to-do lumberman, in the office of First Baptist church. Norris claimed self-defense and furnished \$10,000 bond, signed largely by members of his congregation.

Chipps died in an ambulance after being shot twice. "I had to do it," he threatened my life," Norris said.

H. C. Meacham, mayor of Fort Worth and proprietor of a large department store here, attacked in sermons by Norris recently, was the subject of the dispute which led up to the killing. Chipps had visited the mayor's office more than an hour before he was slain, but had given no intimation that he intended to call on the revivalist. Meacham said in a statement. H. L. Nutt, bank auditor, member of Norris' congregation, was the only eye witness to the shooting and substantiated Norris' story of threats by Chipps against the pastor's life.

Norris said that he would preach his regular sermons Sunday.

Mayor Meacham's connection with the case came about through a series of sermons by Norris and articles in "The Searchlight," organ of Norris' church, attacking him in connection with the street extension which Norris declared was made to provide more direct access to Meacham's department store.

After being denounced by Norris, Meacham's store gave orders that no employee could belong to Norris' church; that they might belong to any other Baptist church but that they could not be loyal to both Norris and Meacham. According to the Searchlight, two employees quit the church and four quit the service of the department store. When Chipps came in objecting to this story, Norris said he showed him the door, but that Chipps came back in making threats against

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COOLIDGE GIVES REGARD

PRESIDENT SENDS 3-POUND PIKE TO AL SMITH

PAUL SMITH'S, N. Y., July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—The cordial relations between President Coolidge and Governor Alf E. Smith of this state which had formal expression yesterday in a luncheon at the summer White House when the governor welcomed the president to the Adirondacks, were marked today by Mr. Coolidge sending his compliments to Mr. Smith along with a three-pound pike.

The fish was caught by the president this morning in Osgood lake, from the foot bridge before White camp, and he sent it while yet alive, by Secretary Everett Sanders, to the governor at Paul Smith's hotel. The governor expressed his appreciation heartily, and asked that his compliments be conveyed to the president. He then had the pike taken to the lake before the hotel and was photographed with it.

Saturday In Washington

Reorganization of the Philadelphia prohibition area forces was approved.

Secretary Mellon, in a letter reiterated his opposition to cancellation of war debts.

President Coolidge approved appointments of two brigadier generals in the army air corps.

The legality of Ocean marriages engaged the attention of various officials and members of congress.

"Imbecilic, God-forsaken World Hell Bent," Sunday

"What This Rotten Old World Really Needs Is to Be Taken Into God's Bath House and Have the Hose Turned Onto It," Declares Evangelist

"We are passing through the most insane, God-forsaken, crazy, neurotic, scrambled, messed-up, imbecilic age the world has ever known. We have fallen under the blight of idioy. Only the grace of salvation will save this old God-hating, Christ-hating world that is going to hell so fast it is breaking the speed-limit."

This was the essence of a speech given last night by Billy Sunday, evangelist, in the closing session of the Chautauqua, before a crowd that taxed the seating capacity of the big tent. The great evangelist was excellent in his choice of epigrams and in his delivery. The applause that greeted the speaker was generous and unstinted.



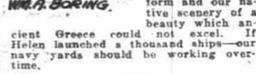
DOESN'T EVEN GLITTER. WASHINGTON, July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—General Statistics reports that the production of gold fell off last year by a couple of million dollars, and the reason given by the General is that gold



doesn't pay as well as it used to. It costs too much to produce the raw ore. Many veteran miners have abandoned their vacation for something really lucrative, something like the movies, or bond selling or boot-legging.

MORE SHIPS NEEDED

NEW YORK, July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—William A. Boring, director of Columbia University's School of Architecture, is of the opinion that America now may have as many as 100,000 ships in the water, but that she needs 200,000 more. He says that the present fleet is "a hodge-podge of old-fashioned vessels, many of them of the type which were built in a manner of speaking, American, but which are not of the type which are needed for the present and future needs of the navy."



Palatial Perfume. LONDON.—American debutantes who have been presented at Court report that the whole of Buckingham palace was fragrant with a rare and delightful scent. The fact is that ever since Queen Victoria's first court, the palace has been sprayed with a perfume which is a secret concoction, its ingredients being known only to the King and Queen and the manufacturers.



Belief. KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Not even a misplaced comma marred the record of Mrs. Cecille F. Shunn, a multiplex operator for the Western Union here, during the course of a half-year test period. Her record sounds impossible. Let here is working for eight hours a day, six days a week, through 6 months Mrs. Shunn has sent from 60 to 90 messages an hour without a single error. This is 100 per cent, and no fudging.

GUN VICTIM NEAR DEATH

POWER OFFICIAL, SHOT BY SHOT BY WIFE, WORSE. ROSEBURG, Ore., July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—Frank Shelley, California-Oregon Power company official who, according to police report, was shot by his wife here last night, late today was reported to be in a critical condition. The bullet which struck in the right side, penetrated the lung and lodged in the liver. Hemorrhages have proved serious, attendants said and an operation may prove necessary. The shooting was said to have been the result of domestic difficulties.

SHERIFF SELLS HOME

NEW YORK, July 17.—The home of Frank Tinney, the comedian, was sold today by sheriff to pay "back" alimony.

PHANTOM TRAIL STILL TANGLED

Police Piece Together Story Told by Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson

ALL POINTS ARE CHECKED

Supporters and Skeptics Both Air Views on Story Related by Famous California Evangelist

LOS ANGELES, July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—Police and district attorney's investigators tonight were slowly piecing together the route of a phantom trail which evidence indicates may have been traveled by Aimee Semple McPherson, evangelist, with or without her consent, after she disappeared at the Santa Monica beach near here May 18. The Angelus temple religious leader has told investigators that the newspaper, her congregation, the public generally and the grand jury, the latter under oath, that she was kidnapped, drugged, imprisoned in two successive shacks presumably in Mexico and escaped and traveled seventeen miles afoot across the desert under a blazing sun to Douglas, Ariz., which she reached June 23.

Six witnesses have declared that they saw her after she was be-

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HUGE FIRE IS REPORTED

FLAMES SWEEPING MOUNTAINS IN LAKEVIEW SECTION

LAKEVIEW, Or., July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—A forest fire which already has covered more than 600 acres is raging on Paisley mountain about 25 miles north of here. About 50 men were rushed to the fire from here this afternoon. There seems to be no chance of getting the blaze under control as it is burning in yellow pine. Much private land is burned over. High winds and very low relative humidity add to the difficulty of controlling the fire, which is in the midst of a large heavily forested area.

EUREKA, Cal., July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—One hundred volunteers from Hydenville and vicinity have been sent in automobiles to fight fires raging in the Trinity national forest, according to reports reaching Eureka tonight. Hydenville is about 30 miles east of Eureka and a like distance from the Trinity national forest.

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OREGON BANDIT THOUGHT HELD

President Coolidge's Guards Arrest Man Thought to Be d'Autremont

COMPARE DESCRIPTIONS

Man Believed to Be Roy D'Autremont Is Arrested in Adirondacks Near the President's Camp

PAUL SMITH'S, N. Y., July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—A man supposed by police to be Roy D'Autremont, wanted for bandit operations in Oregon and other states, was arrested by state police near Gabriels today. According to officers, he was found living in a farm house and answered descriptions of the sought-for bandit. He was taken to the state police barracks at Malone for questioning.

MALONE, N. Y., July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—Two state troopers assigned to the detail guarding President Coolidge at White Pine camp, arrested a man described as Roy D'Autremont, Oregon bandit, near Gabriels today. Gabriels is several miles east of the president's camp. It was explained, however, that the arrest was made outside of the regular duty of the troops and was in no way connected with the president.

D'Autremont, the Malone Barracks said, was found in a farmhouse. The basis of the arrest was a description broadcast in an attempt to locate the bandit, but no details of his activities were available to the troops here tonight.

It was said that the proper authorities had been notified and that undoubtedly an identification would be made as soon as it was possible for those interested in the bandit's arrest to send an officer.

The troopers who made the arrest are regularly assigned as a road patrol and are extra men attached to the Malone Barracks while the president is spending a vacation on Lake Osgood, near Paul Smith's.

Major Warner, head of the state police, who is here with Governor Smith, was advised briefly of the circumstances and said the arrest was made by the regular state police of the Saranac division at the point between Saranac and Gabriels about 12 miles from

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Student Education Cost Is Lowest in Six Years

George Hug, Superintendent of Schools, Issues Annual Report Showing Per Capita Cost Cut to \$89.41 From Peak of \$95.22 in 1919-20

The cost of each student in the Salem high school last year was the lowest it has been in the last six years, according to the annual report made public yesterday by George Hug, superintendent of the Salem public schools. The per capita cost of the students last year was \$103.31.

This figure includes the interest on the value of the investment of the buildings, which amounted to \$10,692.44, or an average of \$18.92 per capita. Under the new school law, this depreciation is allowed, making the net per capita cost amount to only \$89.41.

The per capita cost for the last six years has been as follows: for 1919-20, \$95.22; for 1920-21, 1921-22, \$93.13; 1922-23, \$90.18; 1923-24, \$92.10; 1924-25, \$90.66 and for 1925-26, \$89.41. In the years before 1925-26, the interest on the building investment was not figured in the cost.

The report shows that enrollment in the Salem public schools is continuing to increase. The gain in the Junior high schools was largest last year, amounting to 70 pupils or 6.2 per cent of the total enrollment. The gain in the Junior high schools during the last six years has been 294 students or 32.5 per cent.

The total enrollment in the schools last year was 4822, a gain of 174 or 3.5 per cent over that of the year before. It is a gain of 1225 or 34 per cent in the past six years.

Over the six year period, the high school has made the largest proportionate gain in enrollment, amounting to 443 or 62.3 per cent. Since last year the high school has gained 64 pupils or 5.8 per cent. The grade schools have gained 488 students or 24.5 per cent in the past six years.

Enrollment last year by schools was: senior high school, 1154; Parrish junior high school, 975; McKinley junior high school, 221; Englewood school, 306; Garfield school, 388; Grant school 349; Highland school, 314; Lincoln

MYSTERY DEFIES POLICE

NO ARRESTS ARE MADE FOLLOWING MELLETT KILLING

CANTON, Ohio, July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—Folled at virtually every turn in his grouping thus far for clues to the murder of Don R. Mellett, publisher and Anti-vice crusader, Chief of Police H. R. Lengel tonight began interviewing known leaders of the underworld in the hope of uncovering evidence. Mellett was assassinated from ambush early yesterday at his home here. Police and investigators declare he was the victim of an underworld plot because of his unrelenting campaign, through the Canton Daily News of which he was editor, against vice and crime here.

No arrests were to be made at once, unless a definite clew is stumbled upon he said, but those thought to have any possible information concerning the crime will be taken to police headquarters for questioning. Four alleged members of Canton's underworld were questioned this evening.

UNION SERVICES TODAY

BEN F. WILSON OF PORTLAND WILL PREACH

The complete program for the union church service this afternoon in Wilson park has been announced. The main program will begin at 4 o'clock with a cornet prelude at 3:45. Ben F. Wilson of the Portland Brotherhood bank will give the main address, his topic being "Christianity and Its Relation to Present Day Problems." Paul Wallace will preside, and S. B. Laughlin will introduce the speakers.

Rev. Thomas Acheson will give a scripture reading and prayer. Lloyd Thompson will sing a solo of "Hijah" with Mrs. Joe Nee accompanying him on the piano. Joe Nee will lead the group singing. The cornet prelude will be played by Mrs. Rowley.

FARM HAND IS KILLED

HAY DERRICK BREAKS, VICTIM'S SKULL CRUSHED

LAKEVIEW, Ore., July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—Charles Hilpert, a laborer, was killed on the Charles Reed ranch, west of here, this afternoon when a hay derrick broke, crushing his skull and breaking his neck. Hilpert had just taken Reed's place on the stack when the accident occurred.

Reed left to get a drink and the next load broke the derrick, a portion of the heavy timber striking Hilpert squarely on the head.

BOARD AGREES ON ARCHITECTS

James & Bartholomew Unanimously Chosen at Special Meeting

MODEL SCHOOL PLANNED

Board to Meet Again Tuesday With Architects to Work Out Details; Unique in Design

James & Bartholomew of Portland were last night selected as official architects for the Tuxedo Park school building, following the inability of the firms of Knighton & Howell and Freeman & Struble to combine in drawing plans, as requested by school directors at their meeting Tuesday.

A model of the proposed building will be made by the architects in keeping with their present sketch, revised at suggestion of school board, which will meet again on Tuesday night to go further into details.

At the last meeting of the board a compromise was effected by agreeing to ask two firms to combine, but this compromise was unsuccessful because of the failure of the architects to agree.

The firm of James & Bartholomew is considered one of the leading architectural firms in the northwest, having built up a reputation by the excellent work it has done on many buildings.

Mr. James, the senior member of the firm, received training in England and has had much architectural experience there and in Canada before coming to Portland. He is considered an artist in his line of work. Mr. Bartholomew is a local man, a graduate of Salem high school and the University of Oregon. He was formerly in business here.

The drawings submitted by this firm show a V-shaped building with future additions which will make a W-shaped structure. This type of structure offers maximum

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BRIAND GOES BY BOARD

TENTH FRENCH CABINET FALL IN FINANCIAL CRISIS

PARIS, July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—Premier Aristide Briand's tenth cabinet, whose fate was tied up with the Cailaux bill for extraordinary powers to allow the government to cope with the financial crisis, with parliamentary interference and delays, toppled to a fall this evening under combined full front attacks by M. Herriot, leader of the radical socialists, and M. Marin, leader of the moderates.

The vote was 288 to 243, the government thus having a minority of 45. No time was lost by M. Briand and his colleagues in presenting their collective resignations to President Doumergue. On leaving Elysee palace, M. Cailaux smilingly remarked: "Nobody's lot is happier than mine."

CRATER LAKE POPULAR

MANY TOURISTS VISIT OREGON'S SCENIC WONDER

MEDFORD, July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—According to Superintendent C. G. Thomson, 33,217 people have visited Crater Lake, up to July 15. Of this total 15,928 journeyed via the Medford entrance. For the same period last year, 16,102 people visited the scenic wonder, showing a double increase in attendance.

KILLER GIVES SELF UP

FATHER-IN-LAW IS HELD FOR MURDER OF FARMER

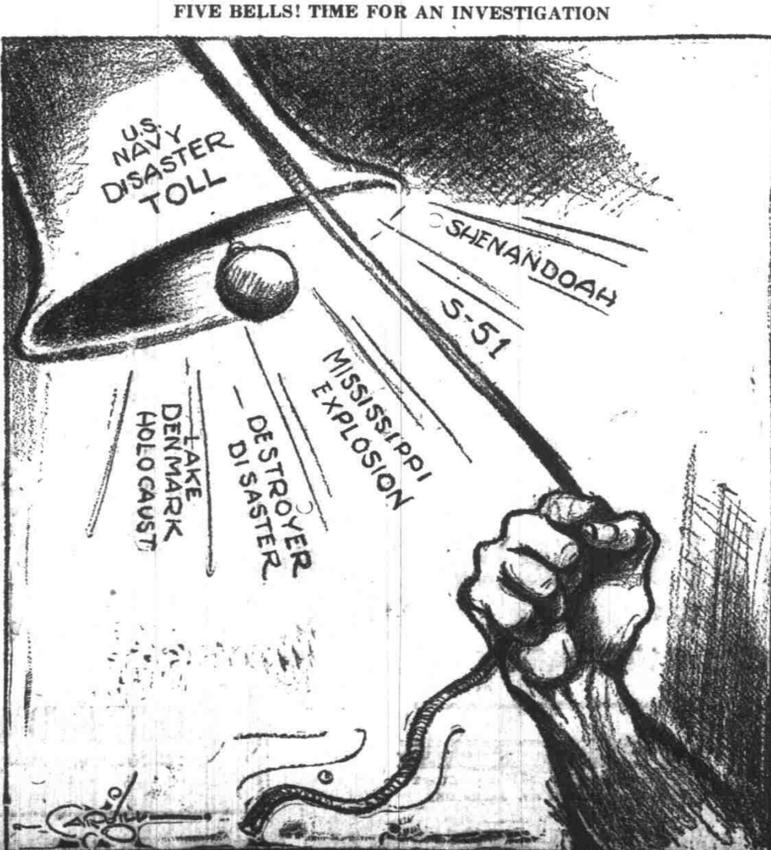
COLUMBUS, Mont., July 17.—(By Associated Press.)—Ira A. Cruz, 35, a farmer, was shot and killed on the range near Reed Point today. Following the shooting, his father-in-law, James Murphy, rode into Reed Point and surrendered. Later he was brought to jail here where he is being held charged with the crime.

The shooting came as a climax to a quarrel over the treatment of Murphy's daughter, according to Sheriff Tom Bolton.

ALBANY TANNERY BURNS

STERNBERG PLANT DESTROYED BY FIRE SATURDAY

Fire destroyed the Sternberg Tannery at Albany Saturday afternoon, with a loss estimated at between \$100,000 and \$125,000. The cause of the blaze has not been determined. It is said the loss is partly covered by insurance.



Today's Reasons For Driving Carefully

Cars driven by E. G. Wassam of Mill City and W. M. Allen collided on South Winter street yesterday, according to reports turned in at police headquarters. Little damage was done. A car driven by G. E. Donaldson of Salem struck the rear end of one driven by B. E. Lundquist of Salem when the latter stopped suddenly at Chemeketa and Capitol streets yesterday, according to a report made by Donaldson at police headquarters. The radiator and front lights on Donaldson's car were smashed, the report said.