

The Oregon Statesman

SEVENTY-SIXTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, WEDNESDAY MORNING, JULY 21, 1926

PRICE FIVE CENTS

AIMEE'S EVIDENCE FAILS

BOARD FAVORS LABOR IN PACT

Signs Contract With James & Bartholomew, Favoring Local Firms

SKETCH WINS APPROVAL

Work to Start in Month or Six Weeks; V-Shaped Building Tentatively Accepted, Pending Model

The school board signed a contract with James & Bartholomew, Portland architects, for drawing up plans for the new Tuxedo Park junior high school...

The architects will receive 5 per cent of the total cost of the contract for erection of the building...

James & Bartholomew wished to make it one big contract, while the board, as stated by Dr. H. H. Olinger, chairman, wishes to give out separate contracts for heating, wiring and plumbing...

The architects agreed in the contract to furnish a clerk of the

FORTY VICTIMS OF HEAT UNPRECEDENTED WEATHER TAKES TOLL IN MID-WEST

CHICAGO, July 20.—(By Associated Press.)—The stifling heat wave for more than two days has overspread the entire middle west today...

Sweltering millions tonight, however, were promised some relief within a few hours in the form of thunder showers and a break in the temperature.

Chicago saw yesterday's record of 94.2 go by the boards at 4 o'clock this evening when the weather bureau reported 95 degrees.

Of the upward of two score deaths, most of them were from drownings. Nearly a score of the fatalities were in Chicago and included three babies.

CORPS IS HEARD SALEM LEGION ORGANIZATION IS CONCERT FEATURE

Before one of the largest crowds of the season, the Capital Post No. 9, American Legion drum and bugle corps were presented to the Salem public last night at the regular Tuesday night program offered by the Cherrian Band in Wilson park.

The drum corps was the feature of the evening and offered a variety of selections. The Legion organization was warmly applauded by the large crowd.

Rolling Flames Battled In Forests; Loss Heavy

Lakeview Fire Under Control, Reports State; California and Montana Timber Is Swept by Blaze; Huge Loss to Result in National Reserves

PORTLAND, July 20.—(By Associated Press.)—The forest fire which has been burning for three days 20 miles north of Lakeview, Ore., was under control on all fronts tonight except on the west where crews have been fighting against a north wind which threatened to carry the fire into a large stand of merchantable timber.

The fire swept into the Crooked Valley region last night and for several hours it appeared that the timber on the west side of the valley would be destroyed but the fire lines were held.



MAY HEAD G. A. R. WASHINGTON, July 20.—Major-General John L. Clem, U. S. A., Retired, is considered the outstanding candidate for command-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic...

THE HENS' OBJECT WASHINGTON, July 20.—Keeper R. R. Lambert, of the District Zoo, is the proud possessor of a giant egg, presented to him by a magnificent South American ostrich as a prof.



her fealty to him, but of her domestic nature. If she makes a habit of this sort of thing the local dairy market is due for a bull movement, inasmuch as one ostrich egg is equal to half a dozen common or garden (hen) variety eggs.

"ART KNOWS NO NATIONAL BOUNDS" NEW YORK, July 20.—Alfred Bossom, prominent New York architect, has been awarded the Cross of the French Legion of Honor in recognition of his efforts to create mutual interest and understanding between young artists of France and America.



"GLORIFICATION" NEW YORK.—A movement is afoot among American architects to apply the Ziegfeld idea of "glorifying the American girl" to the new architecture.



HAGEN WINS TITLE DELAWARE WATER GAP, Penn., July 20.—(By Associated Press.)—Walter Hagen won the eastern golf championship over the Wolf Hollow course today with a score of 275 for the 72 holes, nine strokes ahead of Johnny Farrell, New York, who was second.

FARM PROFITS SEEN BY DEAL

Keep Youth on Soil, Make Homes Modern, Get Fair Prices; Message

LAUDS MARION PROGRESS

Idaho State Master, and Governor Pierce Address Gathering of County Grangers at Fair Grounds

Under the sponsorship of the local organization an open air meeting of the Marion county Grangers was held yesterday under the spacious oaks at the state fair grounds.

The occasion was in honor of the visit of W. W. Deal, state master of the Idaho Grange and chap-

Large forces of men fighting the fires have made little headway in establishing control lines and now are centering their efforts on the tongues of flame shooting out from the rapidly moving wall in attempts to check the side spread.

SPAULDING PLEA TODAY CASE MAY RESULT IN APPEAL TO HIGHER COURTS

A demurrer filed in police court yesterday by the attorney for A. L. Spaulding was overruled by order of Mark Poulsen, police judge, and city recorder. Spaulding is ordered to appear this morning at 10 o'clock to plead to a charge of driving while intoxicated.

The demurrer filed by Spaulding's attorney says that the ordinance fixing bail for this offense at \$500 is void and unconstitutional, the bail being considered out of proportion to the offense. It is thought that Spaulding will appeal the case to a higher court.

GENTLEMEN PREFER BLONDES!



27,000 ACRES TO GET WATER

Santiam Land, Under Irrigation, to Be Richer Than Lake Labish

\$150 to \$350 IS PRICE

New Owners Take Over Lands, Will Push Development Under Two Companies, Well Manned

Some events have been transpiring in the Santiam irrigation districts that will mean a great deal to that section of Marion county, and to Salem, in the vastly increasing annual value of cash crops, and this increase will be manifest with the 1927 season.

The Western Oregon Development company has acquired the water rights of the irrigation district east of Stayton, and the lands of that district, comprising 6940 acres. This is a strong company, with offices in suite 805 Couch building, Portland.

The Flaxland Development company has acquired the water rights of the Santiam Reclamation company and the West Stayton Gardens concern, with 20,232 acres of land. The representatives of this company in Salem are Percy A. Cupper, Robert Simpson and Clarence Bowne.

The lands of the Western Oregon Development company extend from near Mehama to about two miles west of Stayton, or from 15 to 20 miles from Salem, mainly. The water for irrigation comes from the Santiam river and several other streams in that section.

The lands of the Flaxland Development company lie west of

It Takes Only One MAN

Tom Kay, president of the Oregon Linen Mills, Inc., Monday night went before the city council and demanded action be taken to speed up street paving for the good of Salem, particularly those streets in Rosedale addition leading to the new linen plant, for the good of the industry which is of more importance to the city than any other, the Oregon Pulp & Paper company excepted.

For weeks, city council has fooled around about speeding up city paving.

The idea was not new. Nothing had been done. Nothing would have been done Monday night had not Tom Kay, a man who unquestionably has the interest of the city at heart, gone before council, accused it of hampering Salem's growth by talking a great deal and doing absolutely nothing.

When Tom Kay ceased speaking three motions were immediately passed.

Hal D. Patton called for a report from the sewer committee on obtaining proper drainage in that section. Council didn't argue. The way had been made easy. Council passed the motion. E. B. Grabenhorst moved that the street committee report on a possible double shift. Council didn't argue. The way had been made easy. Council passed the motion. Hal D. Patton moved that the street committee report on speeding paving by private contract at the next meeting. Council didn't argue. The way had been made easy. Council passed the motion.

Presence of one good citizen, Tom Kay, turned what would have been a dilatory and fruitless meeting into one of action.

What is the matter with city councilmen? Are they so individually afraid of making enemies that they do not dare take a definite stand, demand action on a project obviously

Mark S. Skiff Deed Set Aside By Supreme Court

"Conduct in Conveying Real Property was Fraudulent," Opinion Reads; Late Judge Bingham Reversed, as Willamette Grocery Wins

The state supreme court yesterday handed down an opinion in which it reversed the late Judge George G. Bingham in a suit filed by the Willamette Grocery company, plaintiff and appellant, against Mark S. Skiff and his wife, Ada V. Skiff, defendants and respondents, and the First State & Savings bank, defendant and appellant, to set aside a deed executed by Mr. and Mrs. Skiff to their son, Mark S. Skiff, Jr.

The First State & Savings bank was made a party defendant for the reason it claimed some right to the real estate by virtue of an attachment levied thereon. The bank answered and claimed the same relief as claimed by the plaintiff.

The opinion of the supreme court held that on April 17, 1922, the defendant, Mark S. Skiff, for a valuable consideration executed to Edna Ross his promissory note for the sum of \$800, payable 90 days after date. On May 1, 1922, Edna Ross indorsed and delivered the note to the defendant bank as collateral security to secure a loan therefor made by the bank to Edna Ross and her husband, Wilburt J. Ross, upon which there was due \$604.

After maturity of the note the bank started an action in Marion county and on March 31, 1923, recovered judgment by default against Mark S. Skiff in the amount of \$800, interest, costs and attorneys' fees.

On June 16, 1923, the bank caused to be issued an execution upon the judgment direct to the sheriff of Marion county, but the sheriff was unable to find any

REV. NORRIS ASKS JURY TO INDICT FOR MURDER "FAIR CHANCE" TO BE CLEARED ASKED BY MINISTER

Grand Jury Examines Six Witnesses; Eleven More Are Summoned to Appear

FORT WORTH, Texas, July 20.—(By Associated Press.)—A demand that the grand jury indict him for the killing last Saturday of D. E. Chipps, Fort Worth lumberman, so that he can have a "fair and open chance to be cleared" was made here today by Rev. J. Frank Norris.

Norris is charged with the murder of Chipps, who was killed in the study of the First Baptist church when he called to protest against an attack by the pastor on Mayor H. C. Meacham and others.

JURY FAILS TO ISSUE WARRANT FOR KIDNAPERS

Evidence Is Insufficient, Grand Jury Declares in Reporting on Case

MRS. M. PHERSON'S STORY TO GO UNSUBSTANTIATED

Jury Is at Call for Further Hearing of Evidence

STATEMENT IS PROMISED

Written Statement to Be Issued, Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Declares; District Attorney Wants to Question Ormiston, Former Radio Operator

LOS ANGELES, July 20.—(By Associated Press.)—Sufficient evidence has not yet been found to warrant an indictment in the alleged kidnaping of Aimee Semple McPherson, evangelist, the county grand jury declared in a report to Superior Judge Keech today.

The report said: "The grand jury has had presented to it for consideration the evidence in the alleged kidnaping of Aimee Semple McPherson and finds there is insufficient evidence to warrant an indictment."

OPEN STAYTON FIRE QUIZ

PET-COCKS ON AUTO GAS TANKS FOUND TO BE OPEN

The state fire marshal yesterday was requested to conduct an investigation of a fire which Monday night destroyed three buildings at Stayton. Reports from Stayton indicated that the fire was of an incendiary origin.

The buildings burned in the fire had been condemned and were to have been razed within the next few days. Investigation by Stayton officers showed that the pet-cocks on the gasoline tanks of six automobiles stored in the burned structure had been opened prior to the blaze.

The state fire marshal forwarded the request for an investigation of the fire to the Portland office of the department.

SALEM FAMILY RESCUED

DR. MATHIS, WIFE AND CHILDREN, HIT BY FERRY

NEWPORT, Ore., July 20.—(By Associated Press.)—Dr. Mathis and family of Salem who are spending a vacation here had a narrow escape from drowning in Tequina bay today when the south beach ferry boat, Sadie B. ran down a rowboat in which they were fishing.

Dr. Mathis and three children were rescued by the crew of the ferry boat. Mrs. Mathis, however, fell beneath the rowboat, which dragged under the hull of the ferry.

Col. E. Batencourt, who operates a boathouse, witnessed the accident from shore and quickly went to the scene in a launch. He managed to reach the anchor line of the rowboat and pulled the smaller craft clear of the ferry. He drew Mrs. Mathis into his boat and took her to shore where she was resuscitated by members of the coast guard. This afternoon she was in a serious condition from shock.