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SEVENTY-SIXTH YEAR

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WEATHER FORECAST: Rain west, rains and snows in east portion probable; normal temperature; strong southwest and west winds; occasional gales on the coast. Maximum yesterday, 55; minimum, 43; river, 6.1; rainfall, 1.57; atmosphere, cloudy; wind, southeast.

Jim Reed, of Missouri, who says he is going home to his backyard and his dog, has one dog. Only the very poor in Missouri can afford 18 or 20.—Detroit News.

HOUSE TIRED VOTE IN FAVOR ADJOURNMENT

Ill Humor Causes Sharp Words, Compulsory Insurance Bill Defeated

200 BILLS ON CALENDAR

Forestry Measure to Come Up in House on Monday; Several Other Bills Meet Approval of Three Men

Generally feeling the need of some relaxation and, and apparently nursing to some extent what is commonly called "sore heads" the house yesterday decided the best thing to do was to adjourn at 5 p. m. until Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

The forty days exertions have begun to tell on a great many of the members, as was evidenced by their ill humor yesterday. Most of the day was spent in arguments for or against, which ever the case might be, something that someone else didn't want.

Speaker Carlin stopped Mr. Mott in the middle of his argument for his compulsory insurance bill when ten minutes allowed by the new rule were up. The speaker was obviously out of patience with the long arguments, saying that a bill which took longer than ten minutes argument would not likely be for the good of the state of Oregon.

Mr. Mott felt that this was intended directly against his bill, and resented it to some extent.

When he asked later on in the afternoon that his restoration bill, which came up for final passage be put on Monday's calendar Mr. Gordon objected because he said, he was tired of this bill being put down on the calendar, and asked Mr. Mott if he was afraid he didn't have enough votes in the house then to carry the bill.

Mr. Mott said that was one of the reasons, and that he had promised some of the members that he would have it put at the foot of the calendar to give them time to study it further.

Irritation continuing to rule supreme, the speaker suggested that some of the members must be getting tired, to which Mr. Mott stated that he was tired, and did

NO WORK, MAN SLAYS FAMILY

TEAMSTER MURDERS WIFE, CHILDREN, KILLS SELF

Seven Bodies Found Week Later By Officers Who Search Tenement

UTICA, N. Y., Feb. 18.—(AP)—Rather than see his wife and five children starve to death, Guy M. Taylor, a teamster without work, killed his entire family and then ended his own life with a razor.

The tragedy was enacted probably a week ago, but it did not become known until today, when, on the representations of a neighbor, the police forced an entrance into the squalid tenement occupied by the Taylors and found seven bodies.

The dead: Guy M. Taylor, 35; his wife, 35; Elizabeth, 16; Owen, 14; Albert, 12; Goldie, 8; an infant, whose name is not known.

Mrs. Taylor's throat was cut with a razor, and Taylor committed suicide with the same weapon. The children were killed with a razor and a bowie knife.

The appearance of the room and the condition of the bodies indicated that all except the boy Owen were killed as they slept. Owen apparently had struggled with his razor as his body was found on the floor against one of the beds.

The other members of the family lay in bed where they had been slain.

WILLAMETTE U SEEN AS ASSET

CAPITAL HERE DUE TO UNIVERSITY, SAYS IRVINE

Financial Return to City From W. U. \$850,000 a Year, Estimated

Salem owes to Willamette university the very fact that the state capital is located here; and today, \$350,000 annually are spent in Salem, new money for the most part, because the university is here.

These two sides to the Methodist educational institution's contribution to Salem, were mentioned by the two principal speakers, B. F. Irvine of Portland and President Carl G. Doney of Willamette, at the "Know Salem Better" banquet which was the first of a series to be sponsored by the Salem Ad Club, Friday night at the YMCA.

One hundred people attended, and gave unanimous approval of the proposal to hold more of these meetings, taking up one at a time the city's principal assets.

But, concrete as they are, these are not the most important advantages that Salem reaps from the presence of the university here, the speakers agreed; intangible assets in the way of character and culture that Willamette has given to Salem and its people, overbalance the material contributions.

Willamette, the only institution of higher learning on the coast for many years, naturally drew to

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FREIGHTER STILL LOST

Oil Found On Surface Where Elktion Was Last Reported

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Reports suggesting that a typhoon swallowed up the freighter Elktion of the American-Pioneer line and her crew of 26 reached the shipping board today. Oil has been found on the surface between Manila and Guam, where the Elktion signalled her distress.

Without the slightest sign of the ship to indicate her fate there was still hope, however, that she might have put into an island shelter.

MANILA, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Four destroyers left Cavite this evening for Guam in search of traces of the missing shipping board freighter Elktion.

ZONING GROUP TO SPEAK

Members to Explain Work; Completed Zoning of City

Members of the city zoning and planning commission will speak at the Monday noon luncheon of the Salem chamber of commerce.

They will explain the work of the commission, which has recently completed the task of zoning the city, and has supervision over the erection of buildings in the different zones.

Members of the commission who will be present are Lewis P. Campbell, president; James Nicholson, W. W. Rosebraugh, C. E. Albin, A. L. Headrick, Karl Becke and H. S. Swart.

PASS MAY OPEN EARLY

Plans to Break Through Drifts on McKenzie Under Way

EUGENE, Feb. 18.—(AP)—The McKenzie pass, snowbound all winter, may be opened this spring much earlier than usual, according to word received here from Bend today. Plans are under way in that city to break through the snow drifts on the mile high summit. Approximately six feet of snow now covers the high country, according to reports received here.

Use of snow plows which have kept the Dalles-California highway open all winter is contemplated on the McKenzie highway.

President Coolidge discussed the McNary-Haugen farm bill with his cabinet, but his position was not revealed.

SUN'S TROOPS ROB HANGHOW DURING FLIGHT

Cantonese Horde Pushes Defenders Back Headlong Toward Shanghai

MISSIONARIES UNHARMED

Stand Expected at Sungking, 28 Miles South of Shanghai; British Forces Parade When News Came

SHANGHAI, Feb. 18.—(AP)—The Cantonese horde decisively defeated the army of Marshal Sun Chuan-Fang today, poured into the city of Hangchow and hurled Sun's disordered forces in headlong flight toward Shanghai.

The beaten troops, before fleeing, looted the rich city of 800,000 inhabitants. They burned a large part of the city, and departed. The missionaries were unharmed, and most of them left the city.

Sun's demoralized troops are expected to make a stand at Sungking, 28 miles south of Shanghai, to prevent the invaders capturing the richest city of the Far East as a prize of war.

British troops were paraded in Shanghai when the news was received that the Cantonese were pursuing Sun's broken army toward the city. With 21 foreign warships in the river before the city, and some 7,000 white fighting men on duty, foreign residents in the international settlements felt some assurance that the Cantonese would not overrun their concessions as did coolie mobs at Hankow and Kinkiang when the

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WOMAN SUICIDE IN WELL

Mrs. Mary Erb, 68, Forces Self Into Shallow Hole, Dies

YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 18.—(AP)—Forcing herself into a shallow well, with an opening so small it would have been practically impossible for anyone to have pushed her into it and so shallow that she could have held herself above water by standing erect, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Erb, 63, of Telfon, took her life last night, the authorities announced today.

She is survived by her husband and son, living at home, and two daughters, Mrs. Edna Carey of Seattle and Mrs. Vera Spencer of Eugene, Ore.

CHINESE SEAMEN ANGRY

Strike Threatened If Man From President Taft Not Freed

HONG KONG, Feb. 19.—(AP)—Strike of all seamen under the jurisdiction of the Chinese Sailors' union in Canton was threatened today unless one Chinese sailor, sentenced by an English controlled magistrate to three months at hard labor for seditious utterances, is released.

The seaman was arrested aboard the liner President Taft at Hong Kong.

TORNADO DEATH TOLL UP TO 32

ADDITIONAL BODY IS FOUND AND ONE MAN DROWNED

Number of Injured Nears Hundred Mark, With Huge Property Damage

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 18.—(AP)—The known dead from the tornado which dipped freakishly into widely separated sections of three states last night rose to 32 tonight, with the discovery of an additional body near Pleasant Hill, La., and the drowning of a man at Alexander City, Ala.

The number of injured neared the hundred mark, and property damage, largely confined to farm homes and rural buildings, passed \$200,000.

Rescue workers tonight faced the possibility of freezing temperatures. Winds had lost their fury but brought with them the touch of ice.

The tornado dissipated in rains and electrical storms.

LONE MAN ROBS TRAIN

Bandit Holds Up Ocean Shore Just Out of San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—(AP)—The Ocean Shore, a San Francisco - Los Angeles train, which left here at 9 o'clock tonight, was held up just south of this city and the crew and passengers robbed of cash and jewelry of an undetermined amount.

After relieving the passengers and crew of their valuables the robber left the train.

When he appeared before the startled passengers, the robber's face was masked with a blue bandana handkerchief. Railroad officials were unable to learn whether any of the passengers resisted the robber, but announced that there had been no casualties.

Southern Pacific officials announced belief that the robber had entered the train at the Third and Townsend station here, and had started holding up sleeper passengers immediately. He pulled the air cord to stop the train when he had finished the robbery.

WILLIAM TELL UP TO DATE

The tender Altair, with the aviation expeditionary squadron, commanded by Major Ross Rowell and consisting of eight officers, 80 men and six De Havilland observation planes, will sail for Corinto tomorrow morning.

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Every effort is being made by the navy department to rush here from Denver, San Francisco, Seattle and Spokane detachments of western mail guards who will form the nucleus for another expeditionary battalion. Where this battalion will go, officers here do not know, but they say they

YWCA DRIVE NETS \$1622 ONE DAY

CAMPAIGN TO CLOSE TODAY WITH PROSPECTS OF \$6,000

Workers Expect Follow-ups to Bring Grand Total Well Over \$7000 Mark

Citizens of Salem have rallied better than ever before to the campaign call of the YWCA for the organization is now just around the corner from their goal, with a grand total of \$5631 in cash and pledges, leaving less than \$1400 unaccounted for.

This will only be partially raised by this noon but local officers believe that follow-ups which will start next Wednesday will account for the entire quota. Yesterday was the banner day of the drive with \$1622 brought in.

Dr. Carl G. Doney, president of Willamette university, served as a genuine collegiate pep leader in his address Friday noon before the group of workers who have helped put over the campaign. He expressed confidence that the ultimate goal would be reached without difficulty.

Complimenting the efforts of each team that has spent the week in active campaigning, C. A. Kells general secretary of the Salem YMCA, spoke on the efficiency which has been so evident throughout the drive, and which is typical of the work done by the organization.

More than 20 women have volunteered their services to do the final work of resocialization next week, beginning Wednesday noon, luncheons will be held during the week at the YWCA club rooms for those engaged.

Hoping to put the grand total well over \$6000 the active work will close at noon today, but this will leave approximately \$1000 dependent on the work next week. With this amount needed the workers can't afford a respite for the purses of their constituents.

EXPLOSION DEATH CAUSE

Wife of Soldier Dies at Astoria Following Explosion

ASTORIA, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Lizzie Antonette Dale, 33, wife of Private Elmer D. Dale at Fort Stevens, died at a local hospital this afternoon from gasoline burns which covered her body following an explosion at the home of Captain Percy at the fort this morning, when she endeavored to help a freshly kindled fire with the contents of a container of gasoline, which she mistook for kerosene.

Mrs. Dale had been employed as a housekeeper at Captain Percy's home for some time and was building a fire in the kitchen range when the accident occurred.

CABINET TALKS FARM AID BILL WITH COOLIDGE

No Intimation Given by Executive of Intention to Veto or Approve

OPINION EVENLY SPLIT

Supporters of Proposal Have No Reason to Hope for Passage in Case President Refuses to Sign

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—(AP)—President Coolidge already has begun conferences with members of his cabinet over the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill, which has been passed by congress, but no intimation was given today at the White House whether he intends to veto or approve the measure.

In advance of the receipt by the executive of an engrossed copy of the bill, it was said, in his behalf, that he intends to consider it just as he would any other piece of legislation.

The proposal, which would levy an equalization fee on six basic farm commodities, with a view to controlling crop surpluses, was passed by the senate last week, and was approved in identical form last night by the house.

In neither the senate nor house was the majority given the bill sufficient to give its supporters reason to believe it could be passed over a presidential veto—a step that requires a two thirds vote in both houses.

The president has 10 days after the bill's arrival at the White House to decide what he will do. Congressional speculation has been divided, some predictions being that he would sign the proposal and make it a law, while others are that a veto is inevitable.

Arriving at a decision the president is expected to be guided, to an extent at least, by the advice of Secretary Jardine, and Secretary Hoover and Mellon as well. Also it is likely that the views of certain congressional leaders will be sought.

Representative Fort, of New Jersey, a republican on the house agriculture committee, called on the president during the day to point out what he regards as defects in the bill. He said afterwards that while the president had not made known his position he felt sure the measure would be vetoed.

A group of officials of farm organizations, including Samuel H. Thompson, president of the American Farm Bureau, and B. W. Kilgore, president of the American Cotton Growers exchange, conferred with Secretary Jardine, who told them he did not know what course the president would take, but if the bill became a law the agriculture department would cooperate fully in carrying out the bill's provisions.

The engrossed bill was signed late today by Speaker Longworth and Vice President Dawes and will be sent to the White House tomorrow.

BUILDING PROGRESSING

Contractors Expect To Complete Structure By June 10

Walls of the new Leslie junior high school building are rising rapidly this week, with nine brick layers at work. The brick have been laid up to a point even with the bottoms of the first floor windows.

Material is arriving constantly, the latest consignment being slate for the blackboards. The building will be completed by June 10, it is now estimated.

The members of the Salem board of education inspected the work Friday morning.

THREE FATAL ACCIDENTS

Five Hundred and Eighteen Protected by Compensation

There were three fatalities due to industrial accidents in Oregon during the week ending February 17, according to a report prepared here yesterday by the state industrial accident commission.

The victims were John Tacac, Marshfield; Irene Agnes Yost, Medford; and Floyd Ray Paul, Gold Hill.

A total of 518 of the accidents reported were under the workmen's compensation act.

FISHWHEEL BILL FACES TROUBLE

SENATE ADOPTS REPORT FAVORING POSTPONEMENT

December 31 Would Be Designated as Date for Bill to Be Effective

The measure eliminating fishwheels from the upper Columbia river, passed by the voters at the last general election, will probably not become effective until December 31 of this year, it was indicated today by the senate's adoption of a report signed by three members of the fisheries committee recommending passage of a bill providing that operation of the measure be postponed until that day.

Senator Staples presented figures to show that the gross values of the canneries affected exceeded \$750,000, while the taxes and fees from one of these plants aggregated more than \$112,000 in a year. It also was pointed out by Senator Staples that in event the initiative measure became operative in May a number of fish wheel owners would suffer heavy financial loss. He urged that they be given until December 31 that they might have time to dispose of their stocks and retire from business.

Senator Butler declared that the bill extending until December 31 the time for making the initiative measure effective was based on simple justice and a desire to assist a number of men who were not in a position to lose their life's savings.

"The passage of the bill introduced by Senator Staples would promote simple justice and give the owners of these plants adequate time to sell their stocks and equipment and prepare for the worst. I have not offered any trades or bargains with any members of this senate, but am supporting this bill because I know it is meritorious."

Senator Banks said he was first disposed to vote against the Staples bill and had refused to sign the report recommending its passage.

"But when I talked with the owners of some of the fish wheels," said Senator Banks, "I reached the conclusion that they were worthy of assistance. I am going to vote for the Staples bill."

Senator Upton declared that the voters of his district voted against the proposal to eliminate fish wheels from the upper Columbia river.

Senator Moser also spoke in favor of the Staples bill. He urged passage of the bill in the interest of fair play.

Passage of the bill was opposed by Senator Norblad, who reviewed briefly the history of the fishing industry. He said the initiative measure was in the interest of preserving the fishing industry in the state of Oregon, and that it should become operative in May as decreed by the voters at the general election.

The senate concurred in the house amendments to a bill authorizing cities of the state to levy taxes for advertising and publicity purposes. In no case shall the amount of taxes raised exceed \$5000.

The senate approved a bill by Senator Joseph authorizing the state treasurer to gather financial data showing the bonded indebtedness of the various political subdivisions.

STUDENTS LOSE JOURNAL

Washington's Publication Suspended Because of Article

SEATTLE, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Publication of Columns, monthly magazine of the University of Washington student body, has been indefinitely suspended by the faculty.

In making this announcement tonight, the faculty committee on student affairs said that a humorous article on the life of Abraham Lincoln, appearing in the February number of the magazine, had prompted them to order the suspension.

ELLENSBURG HAS "FLU"

High and Two Grade Schools Closed Because of Epidemic

ELLENSBURG, Wash., Feb. 18.—(AP)—The Ellensburg high school, and two grade schools were ordered closed at noon today by Dr. H. J. Felch, city health officer, as a result of absence because of influenza. The schools are to remain closed until next Wednesday. A basketball game tomorrow night between the Ellensburg Normal and WSC freshman teams will be played behind closed doors.

TITHING BILL DUE IN SENATE TODAY; RUMOR

Reports Indicate Its Defeat; May Be Held Over Until Monday Session

EARL FISHER LAUDED

Bill Approved Would Increase Property Valuation of State of Oregon Approximately \$250,000,000

The tithing bill, which has been resting peacefully on the desk in the senate for several days is up for final consideration today. It was indicated last night that some member of the senate will move to have the tithing bill considered under the head of special order of business Monday afternoon.

This motion undoubtedly would receive favorable consideration in that most of the senators desire to spend the week-end at their homes, and are not in a mood to argue the bill at today's session.

Reports indicated that the bill will be defeated in the senate. It previously was approved in the house. The senate will not adjourn until some time this afternoon, according to reports from the leaders.

A bill was approved in the senate yesterday, which would increase the property valuation of the State of Oregon by approximately \$250,000,000. This bill was introduced by Representative R. S. Hamilton and gives to the state tax commission supervisory control of the assessment and tax laws of the state, county assessors, and county boards of equalization. The Commission would have authority to fix the valuations of any property in the state. The purpose of the bill is to secure uniformity of assessments and taxation. Enforcement penalties are provided, and the emergency clause is attached.

As a safeguard to taxpayers under this bill the senate also approved a measure introduced by the committee on assessment and taxation which provides for limiting the amount of revenue that

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MORE MEN SAIL FOR NICARAGUA

TWO TROOP SHIPS BEING SENT FROM SAN DIEGO

100 Marines, Aviators, and Planes Are Ordered to Port of Corinto

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 18.—(AP)—The U. S. navy destroyer tender Melville, detached with the tender Altair from the battle fleet for temporary duty as troop ship, prepared today to sail late tonight for Corinto, Nicaragua, with 100 marines from the local marine post.

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