

# The Oregon Statesman

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WEATHER FORECAST: Unsettled and mild weather with rain; northerly gales on the coast. Maximum yesterday, 57; minimum, 44; river, 5.0; rainfall, .08; atmosphere, cloudy; wind, southwest.

Maybe that gas which the Germans are said to have invented, a little of which will put you to sleep for a few hours, is made out of synthetic gin.

## POLICE SCOUR PENNSYLVANIA FOR 9 BANDITS

### Explosive Under Highway Wrecks Payroll Truck and Escort Machine

### DRIVERS KNOCKED OUT

### One Man Comes to Senses, Has Pistol Held at Head; Police Scour Countryside for Daring Robbers

PITTSBURGH, March 11.—(By AP.)—Planting dynamite bombs expertly under a highway, nine bandits today wrecked two armored automobiles by setting off the explosive as the machines passed, and escaped with a \$102,000 payroll of the Pittsburgh Terminal Coal company.

Most of the five drivers and guards of the two cars, an armored truck carrying the money and a lighter escorting car, were knocked unconscious by the blast, but one of them, retaining his senses, had a pistol held at his head by one of the robbers until the others had gathered up the money. All the custodians of the payroll were injured, one seriously.

The daring holdup occurred as the payroll cars neared the Cloverdale mine, nine miles from Pittsburgh. Castle Shannon, three miles from Coveade, was the scene of a holdup on Christmas, 1925, when a \$48,000 payroll of the same coal company was stolen. A guard was killed in that holdup.

All officers in western Pennsylvania tonight sought the robbers, who were reported to have made their escape in two automobiles. State police and Allegheny county detectives, augmented by groups of other officers, sped along the principal highways searching for them, while police in all towns were instructed to be on the lookout. Cutting of all telephone lines in the vicinity of the holdup gave the robbers more than an hour's start.

The robbery apparently was carefully planned. Starting out with \$175,000 in the armored truck, \$73,000 had been delivered to two mines when the two machines, the second acting as an escort, left the Liberty road, a main

## LAST OF INDIAN SCOUTS PASSES

### I-SEE-O THOUGHT OLDEST SOLDIER IN U. S. ARMY

### Kiowa, Between 75 and 80 Years Old, Sergeant on Active Duty

FORT SILL, Okla., March 11.—(AP.)—I-See-O, who although between 75 and 80 years old, was a sergeant on active duty in the United States army, died today on the military reservation here.

He was the last of the Kiowa Indian scouts and believed to be the oldest active soldier in the army. The latter distinction comes through his work in putting down a Kiowa and Comanche uprising in 1891. Because of his success as a peacemaker, he was awarded by special act of congress the unique position as regular sergeant as long as he should live.

Scorning a comfortable cottage the army built for him on the reservation, I-See-O spent most of his time in tepee, cooking his meals in the open as did his forefathers. He made a picturesque figure seated before his camp fire, his long braids of hair draped over his shoulders. The cottage did not go unused, however, for I-See-O found it an ideal storehouse.

He is survived by a widow and three children.

## TIMBER WORKER KILLED

### Choker Setter Near Longview Dies When Struck By Cable

LONGVIEW, Wash., March 11.—(AP.)—George Wayne, 19, of Kelso, Wash., was killed here today when he was struck by a heavy steel cable. He was employed as a choker setter by the Ostrander Railway and Timber company. The body was brought to Kelso.

## CHILD WANDERS STREETS SIX DAYS

### PORTLAND GIRL, 11, ROAMS CITY AND FORESTS

### Hard Problems Given By Teacher Cause Extended "Hooky" Period

PORTLAND, March 11.—(AP.)—After aimlessly roaming strange streets for seven days and sleeping in barns and woods for six nights, 11 year old Catherine Mary Melvin, missing from her home here since Friday noon, was found today by Mrs. R. O. Burdette of Portland. The girl was clad in a blue raincoat, hat, and oversized galoshes and was riding a bicycle she had appropriated. The child had been sought by police since her disappearance.

Despite her experiences of sleeping in woods and going with but little food, the girl appeared in good health. Her hands and face were clean and her hair though slightly disheveled, was tucked neatly under her pliffed rain hat. Her stockings were torn from falls at night and the galoshes were covered with mud.

When taken to police headquarters, the girl at first cried, then, assured that her father was on his way to get her, she told of how she had played truant from school because of too many tests and then became lost.

"I walked a long way from the school and then asked a man for a ride. He took me way out and then I became afraid. I told him I wanted out. When he stopped the car, I ran. That night I slept in a big, empty barn."

The child, her big, blue eyes dimmed with tears, told how on her second day away she went into a store on the outskirts of the city and purchased some groceries, having them charged to some people she knew.

The rest of the food the girl had for the remaining four days was purchased with money obtained by selling milk bottles which she took from porches at night. Her supply of money ran out this morning when she bought three biscuits.

Catherine told Inspectors Nelson and Wescott that she had gone into a cloakroom at a school.

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## RUM CREW HEARING ON

### Motion to Release Men From Federalism Argued in Court

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—(AP.)—A motion to release the 19 members of the crew of the suspected rum runner Federalism, seized by force on the high seas recently, was argued in the United States district court here today, counsel for the defendants contending that the court lacked jurisdiction to handle the case. The arguments will be continued tomorrow.

Harold Faulkner, appearing for the defendants and their employers, contended that the Federalism was seized 300 miles out; that she was committing no overt act against the United States; that she was under registry of the Republic of Panama; and that neither by treaty nor by domestic law could her seizure be justified.

## HOPE FOR VESSEL GONE

### Japanese Training Ship Believed Sunk With 72 on Board

LONDON, March 11.—(AP.)—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Tokyo says search has been abandoned for the Japanese training ship Karishima Maru, which was reported in distress off Cape Inubo Wednesday. She is believed to have sunk with all hands, totalling 72, and including 40 students.

## NEVADA SEEKS GAMBLING

### State Assembly Passes Bill to Legalize Wide Open Play

RENO, Nevada, March 11.—(AP.)—The state assembly in Carson City late today passed a bill to legalize wide open gambling in the state. The vote was 20 to 11 with a spirited debate preceding the roll call. It now goes to the senate.

## YESTERDAY IN WASHINGTON

### Japan accepted the American arms conference proposal.

The senate campaign funds committee considered going on ahead on its own funds.

Rejection of the treaty proposals of President Diaz of Nicaragua was foreshadowed.

## 3 MEN ESCAPE OUT OF DEATH CELL, JOLIET

### Convicts Flee as Equal Number of Companions Battle With Guards

### CHICAGO THOUGHT GOAL

### Murderers Sentenced to Die for Slaying Deputy Warden Involved in Spectacular Prison Break

CHICAGO, March 12.—(AP.)—Two policemen were shot early today by a man believed to be Bernardo Roa, one of three Mexican convicts who escaped from the county jail at Joliet. The policemen were members of detective squads sent to Chicago outskirts to search for the convicts. Reserves were rushed to the scene.

JOLIET, Ill., March 12.—(AP.)—Three men under sentence of death for murder of a Joliet prison warden during a break from the penitentiary last summer escaped from the county jail here early today while three sentenced to die with them battled guards in the jail bull pen.

The men who escaped were reported headed for Chicago heavily armed. The six men were under sentence to be hanged for the slaying of Peter M. N. Klein, deputy warden at the model new penitentiary at Stateville, in a first short-lived prison break May 5 last. They had received several stays of execution.

Three of the men are Americans and three are Mexicans. The Americans are Charles Duschowski and Walter Staloski, reputed leaders of the first prison plot, and Charles Shader, a triple slayer at the age of 19 years.

Sawing their way from the cells where they were waiting to be hanged, the three who escaped

## BARBER BOARD CHANGED

### Patterson Appoints Three New Examiners At One Time

Complete reorganization of the state board of barber examiners was provided yesterday when Governor Patterson named three new members of the board to succeed those who have served heretofore. The new members are Roy Neer of Portland, Ed. L. Johnson of Oregon City and Clarence D. Winston of Corvallis.

## OLYMPIA SESSION WORKS OVERTIME

### WASHINGTON LEGISLATORS ADJOURN IN AFTERNOON

### Longest Period of Illegal Existence in History of State Is Claim

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 11.—(AP.)—The senate of the Washington state legislature adjourned this afternoon and the house one minute later, after they had worked overtime for 17 hours and 34 minutes.

This was the longest period of illegal existence recorded in the history of the Washington legislature, veterans declared, although the Journal will show that the body adjourned exactly on time.

Mistakes made in engrossing the supplemental budget bill, the horticulture bill, and the road bill necessitated in part the long session. The senate had a quorum present at adjournment but the house had scarcely more than a baker's dozen.

After the president of the senate and the speaker of the house had signed the three engrossed bills, committees were appointed from the house and senate to inform Governor Roland H. Hartley that the twentieth session was ready to call it quits.

Going next door into the insurance building where the governor's office now is, the committee informed his excellency of their willingness to stop. He replied that he had no more messages to deliver and thanked the session for its courtesy to him.

Compromises averted a threatened deadlock after an all night vigil over general appropriations and highway allocations.

## WANDERING COLLIE ILL

### Dog Who Came From Indiana to Silverton Now in Hospital

PORTLAND, March 11.—(AP.)—Bobby, celebrated collie, who won fame a few years ago by making an overland trip alone from Indiana to his home at Silverton, is ill in a veterinary hospital here.

Dr. Huthman, who is caring for Bobby, says the dog's digestive system was so seriously impaired during the fatigue of the long journey afoot, that he never since has been in good health.

About three weeks ago the dog's owner, G. F. Brazier of Silverton, brought the dog to the hospital for treatment. Bobby then registered a temperature of 104. He seemed to recover, and was taken home, but this week he suffered a relapse and was brought back to the hospital. Today his temperature was 101. The only food he would touch was raw beef juice.

The dog's exploit in walking home to Oregon when he became lost in Indiana, has been described in a book by Charles Alexander, Oregon novelist.

## FIREMAN KILLED IN HUGE BLAST

### 10 OTHERS INJURED, 2 MAY DIE, BY EXPLOSION

### Chemical Plant Blows Up After Engine Companies Control Flames

CHICAGO, March 11.—(AP.)—The ranks of engine companies numbers 3 and 6 were depleted late today when an explosion killed one fireman and seriously injured ten others, two probably fatally.

They had controlled a fire in the plant of the Daigger Chemical company, just outside the downtown district, when a terrific explosion occurred and was followed by several of lesser degree.

The fireman killed was Edward Hichikom. Thomas Bender was so seriously burned that hope of recovery was abandoned. Patrick Kelley inhaled flames and was burned about the hands, face and body.

All the other injured firemen suffered serious body burns when their clothing caught fire.

The firemen killed and injured were trapped in the basement. Fumes filled the air and the men, bruised, shocked and burned, were bought out only after comrades had donned gas masks.

Five firemen collapsed at a street door as they sought to escape from the gas-filled basement and were dragged to safety by a bystander.

Max Woldenberg, president, and several other officials of the chemical company were taken to a police station for questioning. Twenty-five employees of the chemical company fled the building just before the explosion occurred.

More than 200 workers in nearby buildings fled to the street when they were rocked by the explosion.

Carbide of sufficient quantity to damage the building in the entire block was found in the basement.

## ROAD EMPLOYE KILLED

### George Hinkle Struck by Car Two Miles From Roseburg

ROSEBURG, Or., March 11.—(AP.)—George Hinkle, 64, state highway employe, was killed two miles north of Roseburg this afternoon, when hit by a car driven by Jess Shambrook, Umpqua farmer. Hinkle attempted to cross the road in front of the Shambrook car and became confused, said a report received by local officers. He was killed instantly.

Hinkle had been a resident of Sutherlin for many years. He leaves a widow and large family of grown children. Officers are making an investigation of the accident.

## FISH AND GAME BODIES REACH END OF AMITY

### Franklin Turns Down Offer of Averill for Friendly Cooperation

### OLD CUSTOM BROKEN UP

### Two Commissions Have Interchanged Deputizations Since First Separation in 1921; Practice Ended

PORTLAND, March 11.—(AP.)—A movement toward ending law enforcement cooperation between the fish commission of Oregon and the Oregon state game commission was made today by A. W. Franklin, master fish warden, when special game deputy commissions sent to Franklin by E. F. Averill, state game warden, for the use of deputy fish wardens were returned to the game warden.

Since Jan. 8, 1921, soon after the departments were legally separated, the two commissions have exchanged special deputizations for the use of deputies in territories where both game and commercial fishing might be practiced. Fish commission deputies were made special game commission deputies, and game commission deputies were accredited special officers of the fish commission.

Under the agreement 75 per cent of the fish commission's revenue from fines levied on fish law violators who were arrested by

## 2 HURT IN PLANE CRASH

### Fliers Run Into House While Attempting Forced Landing

GLENDALE, Cal., March 11.—(AP.)—Two men were injured today, one of them seriously, when an airplane crashed into a house near the Glendale airport in making a forced landing.

Earl Lee of Glendale, owner and pilot of the plane, was unconscious tonight and it was believed that he was injured internally. Clarence Peterson of Port Angeles, Wash., his passenger, was cut about the head and could not remember any details of the accident. His injuries are not considered serious.

Reports to the police indicated that the plane's motor stopped in midair. The plane went into a slide slip and the pilot evidently was unable to bring it back under control.

## SHIP SELLS AT AUCTION

### White Flyer Vessels Disposed of to Meet Company's Bills

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—(AP.)—George Wisebaum, who yesterday purchased the White Flyer liner Fort Bragg at public auction, today bought another of the freighter San Antonio, for the company's vessels at auction, \$5250. This is the fourth White Flyer vessel to be sold to satisfy creditors, and the last ship, the freighter Cleome, will be disposed of tomorrow. None of the purchasers of the vessels has intimated into what service, if any, the vessels will be placed.

## BOATS HIT, TWO DROWN

### Fishing Schooners Sink After Collision in San Diego Bay

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 11.—(AP.)—Two members of San Diego's fishing colony were drowned and the 60 ton fishing schooner MK No. 1 and Invincible were sunk as a result of a collision between these two vessels 45 miles south of Point Loma early today. The victims were Lawrence Bagalini, 19, and C. Aguilar, 21, both of the Invincible.

## 3 WORKMEN LOSE LIVES

### Total Of 525 Industrial Accidents Reported In Week

Three workmen lost their lives through industrial accidents during the week ending March 10, according to the report of the state industrial accident commission. They were Geo. Myles, logger, Portland; J. J. McElroy, steelworker, Portland; and F. M. Wallace, carpenter, Medford. A total of 525 accidents subject to the provisions of the workmen's compensation act were reported to the commission during the week.

## LOCALS TRIUMPH IN SECOND TILT

### SALEM TEAM TAKES MEASURE OF LA GRANDE MEN

### Victory Gives Red and Black the Right to Meet Eugene for Championship

Basketball played by teams from the larger high schools of the Willamette valley outside of Portland is superior to that played in Portland or in any other section of the state, it was demonstrated Friday evening when Salem and Eugene high schools emerged victorious in the semi-finals of the state tournament, defeating the strongest quintets from two other sections by decisive scores.

Salem won from La Grande, the best team that eastern Oregon could produce, 29 to 11, and Eugene defeated Marshfield, the coast's representative, 38 to 21. Salem's victory, as shown by the score, was overwhelming, but in reality it was nothing of the kind. There was a lot of the factor that is called "psychology" by people who know more about sports than they do about the mental sciences, mixed up in it.

The teams started at high tension, and for the first eight minutes they tore up and down the floor, fighting like madmen, but too highly keyed to do any effective shooting. Zundell of La Grande sank a free throw, and then Duffey, the only man on the floor who had kept his head, looped the basket from the floor. At the rate that they were playing,

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## McNARY TO TRY AGAIN

### Oregon Senator to Draft a New Farm Relief Measure Soon

WASHINGTON, March 11.—(AP.)—Although defeated twice in an effort to obtain farm relief legislation, Chairman McNary of the senate agriculture committee already has turned his attention toward drafting a new measure for presentation to congress when it convenes in December.

He plans during the summer to confer with agricultural leaders from all parts of the country in an effort to devise a proposal that will meet the needs of the farmers and at the same time avoid another presidential veto.

The Oregon senator will make a particular effort to get around the controversial equalization fee, which he believes caused the failure of the last two bills which he introduced jointly with Representative Haugen, republican, of Iowa.

## FUTURE TO BE DISCUSSED

### Mayor Livesley And C. P. Bishop To Be Chamber Speakers

A "double header" program will be given by the chamber of commerce at its weekly luncheon Monday noon, which will be devoted to discussing Salem's future, and the prospects for municipal growth.

T. A. Livesley, mayor, will speak for the first 15 minutes. He will tell what he hopes to do during his administration as mayor, and why he has confidence enough in Salem's future to erect an 11-story office building here.

C. P. Bishop will speak for the second 15 minutes, telling why he paid \$80,000 cash for a corner lot in Salem, and also what he thinks should be done to insure a big future development for the city.

## YACHT BELIEVED STOLEN

### Vessel Disappears With Two Persons Who Inspected It

SAN PEDRO, Cal., March 11.—(AP.)—A yacht owned by Robert F. Belcher of Los Angeles and valued at \$20,000 was reported to the police to have disappeared from its moorings here today shortly after it had been inspected by a man and a woman who said they were considering purchasing it. A radio set said to have been purchased by the couple was delivered to the boat, which was well stocked with provisions. A description of the yacht was broadcast to coast guard vessels.

## FIRM'S HEADS JAILED

### Violation of "Blue Sky" Law Charged to Sugar Refinery

PORTLAND, March 11.—(AP.)—Charged with selling corporation securities without first qualifying securities without first qualifying under the Oregon "blue sky" law, Gerard Gerritsen, president, and Ross W. Watt, secretary of the Oregon-Washington Sugar Refinery company, Oregon corporation with \$1,500,000 capital stock, went to jail today in default of bail.

## SALEM, EUGENE MEN TO TANGLE IN FINAL TILT

### Valley Quintets to Battle for Title in Second Successive Year

### INVADERS GIVEN EDGE

### Erratic Start of Local Squad Against La Grande Lowers Stock With Dopesters; Hard Fight Forecast

## TODAY'S PROGRAM AT STATE TOURNAMENT

### Consolation Series

9:30 a. m., Astoria vs. Medford.

2 p. m., Tillamook vs. La Grande.

3 p. m., Astoria or Medford vs. Marshfield.

### Evening Program

7:30 p. m., Consolation finals.

8:30 p. m., State championship finals. Salem vs. Eugene.

### Friday's Scores

Championship Series—

Marshfield 34, Franklin 26.

Eugene 21, Medford 13.

Semi Finals—

Salem 29, La Grande 11.

Eugene 38, Marshfield 21.

Consolation—

Tillamook 50, Pendleton 23.

Astoria 43, Wasco 17.

Medford 30, Franklin 13.

Once more it is Salem or Eugene for the state high school basketball championship, and the victory will be decided tonight at 8:30 in the final game of the state tournament which has been drawing record crowds at the Willamette university gymnasium.

To the 2,300 people who saw both of these teams perform in the semi-finals Friday night, there is not a shadow of doubt that tonight's championship contest will be a battle such as has never before been waged between high school teams in Oregon.

Eugene is the favorite, due to its steady playing against Marshfield as compared to Salem's erratic start.

## LACK OF LIGHT DOOMS STEAMER

### STATUE OF LIBERTY HOLDS TORCH ABOVE WRECK

### Vessels Collide in Thick Fog That Settled Down Over New York Harbor

NEW YORK, March 11.—(By AP.)—The Statue of Liberty enlightening the world held high her torch tonight and stared out over New York bay with unseeing eyes while at her feet the water rippled over the projecting spars of an ocean freighter that had sunk for lack of light.

A million dollar cargo sank with the freighter after it was in collision with another in a fog, but the crew of 44 men were rescued with one exception, a ship's carpenter, who could not swim.

El Sol, of the Southern Pacific Steamship company, and Sac City, of the American Diamond line, were nosing through the channel off Robbins reef, one in and one out, when the fog swirled in from the sea. It looped around the base of the Statue of Liberty on Bedloe's island, enveloped the freighters and blinded the lookouts, deafening even the shrieks of the fog sirens.

Head-on the boats came together and both were torn open. Sac City was able to limp to a safe anchorage, but through the rent bow of El Sol the waters of the bay cascaded in a flow that could not be stemmed.

El Sol sank in 50 feet of water, flush in one of the world's most congested ship lanes, as her crew plunged into the bay, many of them having not even time to procure life preservers.

Wireless messages soon sent every available craft in the harbor to feeling its way to the rescue. The Morgan line tug El Anselmo was the first to arrive and 43 shivering seamen were pulled aboard. John Brown, ship's carpenter, was last seen by his mate clinging to the boat's rail as it went down.

