

The Formal Opening of the First National Bank Quarters in the New Building Will Be on Next Saturday
"At the Feet of Buddha" Spectacular Oriental Presentation at the Elsinore Theater Today and Tomorrow

WEATHER FORECAST: Fair, except rain on the north coast, warmer in the interior; moderate variable winds becoming fresh southerly. Maximum yesterday, 59; minimum, 34; river, 8.1; rainfall, .01; atmosphere, clear; wind, southwest.

The Oregon Statesman

Usually the fellow with an interesting past has the prospect of a very uninteresting future.
Americans must pay Uncle Sam, even if Europeans don't.—Toledo Blade.

SEVENTY-SIXTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 16, 1927

PRICE FIVE CENTS

PIERS FOR NEW LONGVIEW SPAN OPEN HEARING

First Day of Argument on Proposed Bridge Comes to End at Portland

FRIENDS, ENEMIES TALK

Delegates From Rose City Contend Present Plans Do Not Provide Sufficient Clearance For Vessels

PORTLAND, March 15.—(AP.)—The first day of the hearing on the merits and demerits of a proposed private toll bridge across the Columbia river between Longview, Wash., and Rainier, Ore., closed today after proponents and opponents of the bridge plan had been heard. The Portland chamber of commerce, the port commission, and other interested parties offered testimony to show that the proposed bridge would prove an obstruction to navigation on the Columbia river and would thus prove a detriment to the Portland harbor.

The hearing will continue here tomorrow and will then adjourn to reopen Thursday at Longview where testimony and arguments in favor of the bridge plans will be presented. The hearing is being conducted before a tribunal of government officials.

The point around which most of today's arguments hinged was the question of vertical clearance of the spans and horizontal clearance of the channel piers. Portland delegates declared present plans do not provide for sufficient clearance and that this would constitute a barrier against river traffic. The plans call for a vertical clearance of 155 feet above mean low water and a horizontal clearance of approximately 750 feet between channel piers.

Portland's argument that the clearance was inadequate was attacked by Joseph H. Strauss, bridge engineer of Chicago, who said a greater distance was unnecessary and that a bridge could be built.

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DECREE IN CASE UPHELD BY COURT

BARRETT CONVICTED ON VIOLATING BLUE SKY LAW

Several Additional Opinions Handed Down By State Supreme Court

The decree in the E. J. Barrett case, which was rendered by the Multnomah county circuit court, was affirmed by the state supreme court yesterday. In December 1925, Barrett was convicted of offering for sale corporate securities in violation of the Blue Sky laws.

In appealing the case to the supreme court the defendant alleged that in making the sale of the stock in question, he was merely selling his own property and therefore that the court erred in overruling his motions for a directed verdict and in arrest of judgment.

"There was sufficient evidence offered to show that the defendant in dealing with this stock was not within the provisos, even though there had been evidence of his ownership of it," read the supreme court opinion.

"His course of dealing with the stock consisted of repeated and continuing transactions all looking to the sale and transfer of the stock to the general public. Under the evidence defendant clearly violated the statute and the motions were properly overruled."

The opinion was written by Justice Rand.

Other opinions handed down yesterday follow:
Fred Myers vs. J. H. Hatler, Nellie Hatler, Charles Dicken and Jane Doe Dicken, appellants; appeal from Clackamas county. Suit to quiet title. Opinion by Justice Bell. Judge Walter H. Evans affirmed.

Bertha Bergerson vs. State Industrial accident commission, appellants; appeal from Multnomah county. Suit for compensation. Opinion by Justice Rand. Judge John H. Stevenson reversed.

F. W. Swingle vs. Medford Irrigation district, appellant; appeal from Jackson county. Suit to re-

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NEW RADIO BODY STARTS WORKING

FEDERAL COMMISSION ENDS JOB OF ORGANIZING

First Order Continues Licenses for Amateurs and Ship Operators

WASHINGTON, March 15.—(AP.)—The new federal radio commission completed its organization today and took several steps toward establishing its authority over communication by ether.

Its first order settled all immediate concern which radio users on shipboard or in the amateur field have felt as to how the new regime might effect them, by continuing all licenses of that character hitherto granted by the commerce department for an indefinite period.

A second decision touched upon the most congested radio phase, and by it all operators of broadcast stations are notified to apply in the near future for a renewal of permits to operate.

In the meantime, beginning on March 29 in Washington, the commission will hold four days of open hearings to consider what shall be done with radio broadcasting. It will prepare and send out special forms to all holders of permits to broadcast or to transmit radio from point to point, on which applications for the right to continue operations may be made.

The formal session at which the commission acted was called by its chairman, Admiral Bullard, who is now en route to Washington from China, and was presided over by the vice chairman, E. O. Sykes of Mississippi. In spite of being handicapped by a failure on the part of congress to appropriate funds, the commission will undertake its work, the statement said and does not expect to be too

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YOUTH LEAVES HIS HOME

Parents Seeking Some Information Concerning Their Son

Jesse A. Reinhold, 16, has run away from the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Reinhold of Toledo. He is reported to have left the home on March 7 and no word has been received of him since that time.

The boy has dark brown eyes and black hair. Two of his upper teeth are crooked. He weighs about 150 and is 5 feet 9 inches in height. At times, according to his parents, he has severe attacks of asthma.

When he left the home he wore a blue shirt, overalls and a faded gray sweater with black and orange designs. It is thought he carried with him a new brown suit, cap and tan oxfords.

He is without funds, and his parents are worried over his absence. Any information concerning the lad would be greatly appreciated by them.

RUM VESSEL CAPTURED

Flight of British Vessel Halted by Shots From Cutter

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 15.—(AP.)—Seven men, the crew of the British liquor laden schooner Vines whose precipitate flight from a coast guard cutter was halted when the guardsmen sent a shot crashing through her bulwarks, were in custody here tonight while federal officers sought warrants charging violations of prohibition, customs and maritime laws.

In addition to the charges which will be placed against the crew, the vessel will be libeled and sold. District Attorney Meyer declared. Meanwhile, the Vines cargo, valued at more than \$100,000 at current bootleg prices, remains in the hold pending removal to government storage for destruction.

WEATHERSON TRIAL OFF

Cashier of Florence Bank Not to Appear for Embezzlement

EUGENE, Or., March 15.—(By AP.)—Miss Harriet Weatherson, cashier of the Lane County State and Savings bank at Florence, who had pleaded not guilty a few days ago to the charge of embezzlement and making loans when the bank's reserves was impaired, and jointly indicted with Henry Bergman, the president, will not go to trial. It was stated at the office of District Attorney Medley today. What the next step in the case will be is not yet known, as no official statement has been made by either the state or defense attorney.

CHINESE SHOOT AT U. S. VESSEL; PROBE ORDERED

Destroyer Preble Hit by Soldiers Near Wuhu, on Yangtse River

BRIDGE STRUCK TWICE

Formal Protest Will be Made to Cantonese Government, in Case Nationalists Are Found Responsible

SHANGHAI, March 15.—(AP.)—Investigation has been ordered by the United States authorities of a new international incident which occurred Sunday when Chinese soldiers fired on the American destroyer Preble and a Standard Oil launch which the destroyer was protecting from Chinese interference 12 miles from Wuhu, on the Yangtse river.

The Preble had placed an armed party aboard the launch and was escorting her out of danger when she was fired on. The bridge of the destroyer was struck twice, but there were no casualties and the Americans replied to the Chinese fire with machine guns.

John Van A. MacMurray, American minister at Peking, has instructed Frank P. Lockhart, consul general at Hankow, to investigate the incident, and a formal protest will be made to the Cantonese government, which only recently captured Wuhu, if it is found that nationalists were responsible for the attack.

Unconfirmed news from the fighting fronts tell of fighting at Hing, which the Cantonese claim to have occupied, and near Cheng-

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CAMP INSPECTION DUE

Patterson and White Go to Gearhart to Look at Property

Governor Patterson and Adjutant General George A. White left here last night for Gearhart where they will inspect property secured recently by the federal government for use of the Oregon National Guard.

Adjutant General White announced that future encampments of the national guard would be held at Gearhart, and that property now under lease near Medford would be relinquished.

Governor Patterson will not return to Salem until early next week.

PART OF REWARD GOES TO CARSON

MURRAY CAPTURED FOLLOWING TRIP OF MEN NORTH

Centralia Policeman Gets Half of \$1,000 Offered for Capture by Convict

The reward of \$1,000 offered by the state of Oregon for the apprehension of Tom Murray, who with James Willos and Ellsworth Kelley, made a sensational escape from the state penitentiary here in August, 1925, will be divided equally between Charles D. Pilling, chief of police of Olympia, Wash., and Phillip Carson of Portland. This was the decision reached by Governor Patterson yesterday after he had listened to the statements of Chief of Police Pilling, Mr. Carson and a number of other persons interested in the distribution of the reward. Carson originally filed a claim with the governor for the entire reward but this was protested by Chief of Police Pilling, and a number of Centralia police officers who participated in Murray's capture.

Mr. Carson alleged that he met Murray in the railroad yards at Vancouver, Wash., and accompanied him as far as Centralia. He said he later notified the Centralia officers that Murray was in a lodging house there. The fugitive subsequently was arrested by Chief of Police Pilling and a number of his officers. At the time of Murray's apprehension Mr. Pilling was in charge of the Centralia police department.

The prison break resulted in the slaying of Milton Hollman and John Sweeney, guards, and the wounding of Lute Savage, also an employee of the institution.

Kelley and Willos were captured in Eastern Oregon after they had robbed a store and committed other criminal offenses.

STATE BOARD CONFERS

Discuss Qualifications; Superintendent To Be Named

Members of the state board of control held an informal conference in the executive department yesterday and discussed briefly the qualifications of applicants for the office of superintendent of the state penitentiary. The appointment probably will not be announced until the return of Governor Patterson, who left last night for Clatsop county.

The office of superintendent of the state penitentiary was created under an act of the last legislature. Under this law the warden and deputy warden would be appointed by the superintendent, subject to confirmation by the state board of control.

The legislature also transferred the management of the prison from the governor to the board of control. This action was in line with a recommendation contained in Governor Patterson's message.

GETTING NOWHERE FAST



HAWTHORNE WAY PROPOSED NAME

MEETING CALLED AT RICKREALL TO DISCUSS PLANS

Best Decorated Mail Boxes Along Highway to Be Awarded With Prizes

"Hawthorne Highway" will in the near future wind its way for 15 miles between Salem and Dallas, if plans now started by the chambers of commerce of both towns finally mature.

The new name proposed for the Salem-Dallas highway, after the proposed beautification of the road is complete. A meeting has been called for Friday evening at Rickreall, under the auspices of the Salem chamber and Dallas chamber, at which plans for the beautification will be discussed.

Residents living along the highway are specially urged to attend. The Salem chamber and the Dallas chamber are each offering prizes for the best decorated mailbox along the 7.5 miles of road nearest to each one's own town.

Each chamber is offering a \$5 first prize and a \$2.50 second prize.

The meeting Friday evening at Rickreall is the first one that has been called to consider the proposed beautification.

SNOOK LEAVES HIS HOME

Disappearance of Youth Mystery to Parents; Word Wanted

Richard Snook, 16 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Snook, 1140 North Front street, disappeared from his home shortly after noon Monday, and no trace of him had been reported up to an early hour this morning.

The boy wore a gray sweater, blue overalls, laced boots and a light colored cap when last seen. He is five feet six inches tall and fairly heavily built. His disappearance was not reported to city authorities until Tuesday evening.

Richard has not been inclined to waywardness and had no quarrel with his parents, so that his disappearance is a mystery and the family is greatly worried.

GAMBLING BILL DELAYED

Nevada Measure Sent Back to Lower House for Correction

RENO, Nevada, March 15.—(AP.)—After a day spent in parliamentary discussions of the wide open gambling bill in the senate, it was sent back to the assembly late today for corrections and then returned to the upper house for probable action tomorrow. A concerted drive against the bill was being made by Senators Scott and Henderson.

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FORD TO TAKE STAND MONDAY IN LIBEL SUIT

Aaron Sapiro Charges Automobile Manufacturer Injured Reputation

JURORS CHOSEN EASILY

Six Men and Six Women Chosen to Sit on Case; All Anxious for Duty and Give None of Usual Alibis

DETROIT, Mich., March 15.—(AP.)—Henry Ford will take the witness stand Monday in the \$1,000,000 libel suit filed against him by Aaron Sapiro of Chicago, organizer of cooperative marketing associations, who claims his reputation was injured by articles appearing in Ford's publication, The Dearborn Independent.

This was decided at a conference of counsel for both sides today after a jury had been sworn in before Judge Fred M. Raymond of the United States district court.

Ford will appear as a witness for Sapiro, counsel for the plaintiff who declared they subpoenaed him, have announced. The manufacturer will be in the unique position of testifying against himself, but will benefit by the federal court rule which prohibits counsel impeaching the testimony of its own witnesses.

Six women and six men parried with attorneys and the judge in the tiny marble-walled courtroom and succeeded in being chosen to sit as jurors in what promises to be a long drawn out trial. No alibis were forthcoming as to business duties, illness in the family or prejudices. It was obvious all wished to serve.

Carefully the white-haired senator from Missouri, James A. Reed, appearing for Ford, questioned the veniremen to bring out possibilities of prejudice, religion, of unfavorable fraternal alliances. One man was excused after he informed the court he had been a member of the Ku Klux Klan, although he had never been active, and two members of the Jewish race were excused.

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MONEY FLOWING RAPIDLY

Treasury Has Perhaps Greatest Turnover Since War Days

WASHINGTON, March 15.—(AP.)—Money flowed in and out of the treasury today in perhaps the largest volume for any day since the war, the turnover reaching into the billions.

At night Secretary Mellon, still deluged by reports from all sections of the country, estimated that holders of at least one third loan bonds had accepted in place of the outstanding second liberty of those securities, which fall due next year, the latest offering of five year treasury notes.

Likewise, Mr. Mellon was confident that his estimate of \$600,000,000 would be good for the total of income tax collections for the first quarter of the year, which were due today.

SCHOOL BUILDING BURNS

EUGENE, Or., March 15.—(AP.)—The three-room school building in the River Road district a mile north of Eugene, was destroyed by fire today. The loss is estimated at \$6,000 with \$2750 insurance. Pupils will be accommodated in the Eugene schools during the rest of the term.

HEROIC WOMAN FIGHTING DEATH

MOTHER IN SERIOUS CONDITION AFTER FREEZING

Little Rest in Store for Mrs. D. W. Amburgey Following Storm Tragedy in Hills

LAKEVIEW, Or., March 15.—(AP.)—At pitch and toss between life and death, Mrs. D. W. Amburgey tonight sought what little rest was in store for her as she here up bravely under the aftermath of a tragic odyssey amid the snows of Palsley mountain, when two of her little children fell victims of death by freezing after the party had become lost in the thicket-covered hills. A third child, a tot of two years, was saved by its mother's love when she took her threadbare coat from her back and wrapped it around the babe.

Grave medical men gave little hope as they announced that the woman was in a very serious condition. They thought that it may be necessary to amputate a part of her frozen feet. On account of her weakened condition from exposure and the fact that she is to become a mother within a short time, this will not be done unless it becomes absolutely necessary.

Lost when they went to a neighboring farm house to obtain food,

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MOTHER ADMITS MURDER

Woman Says Children Died From Poison Meant for Husband

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, March 15.—(AP.)—Kenneth Peterson, 27 months, and Margaret Bateman, 17 months, died March 8 of poison administered by the hand of Mrs. Bernard Peterson, of Murray, Utah, as the result of a plot aimed toward the destruction of the husband and four children. Mrs. Peterson confessed late today. Mrs. Peterson declared that love for another prompted her action.

The poison used, the confession states, was brought to the Peterson home from Los Angeles, but authorities believe that the person who supplied it had no idea of the purpose for which it was intended.

HOYT STREET TORN UP

Pressure To Be Brought To Bear To Have Paving Put In

Pressure will be brought to bear on the authorities responsible, to bring about the improvement of the part of Hoyt street that is used as an approach to the City View cemetery, it was decided at Tuesday's luncheon of the Kiwanis club.

This street, over which funeral processions are forced to make their way nearly every day, is a disgrace to the city. Rev. E. H. Shanks declared. Because of the slope, it washes out with every rain, and hard surfacing alone will make it passable, it was explained.

The difficulty, one of the members said, lies in the fact that this road is half inside and half outside the city limits, and neither the city nor the county will claim it.

HAITIANS AWAIT KING

Public Intends to Welcome U. S. Senator, Deputies Learn

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic, March 5.—(AP.)—The Haitian public is continuing its preparation to receive United States Senator King of Utah, says a message received here today from Percival Thoby and M. Jolibois at Port Au Prince, leaders of the opposition to President Borno.

The message was received by the two Haitian deputies, Pierre Hudecourt and Pierre Paul, who arrived here today to await the arrival of Senator King, whose criticism of the United States policy in Haiti has led to the decision of the Haitian government to exclude him from the country.

14 THOROUGHBREDS DIE

Barn of Fancier Destroyed; Blue Ribbon Steeds Destroyed

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., March 15.—(AP.)—Fourteen thoroughbred horses, many of them being groomed for national shows, were burned to death when fire destroyed the barns of N. K. Sneed, horse fancier, today. The fire, which caused \$40,000 damage, was believed to have resulted from defective wiring. Among the more valuable horses destroyed were American Maid and Gold Crown, winners of numerous blue ribbons.

HUG REELECTED SCHOOLS' HEAD FOR TWO YEARS

Twelve Months' Pay System Favored by Teachers While Board Considers

SALARIES UNANNOUNCED

W. H. Burghardt and Miss Crowley Also Elected for Two Year Period; Teachers and Principals Named

Superintendent George W. Hug of the Salem public schools was reelected for a period of two years to begin at the termination of his present contract next spring, by the local board of education at a special meeting Tuesday evening.

W. H. Burghardt, clerk of the board, and Miss Carlotta Crowley, elementary school supervisor were also elected for two years.

All of the present principals and teachers were reelected for one year. The salaries agreed upon were not announced, as they have not all been determined. It is probable that not all of the teachers will accept the contracts offered.

The board has not definitely adopted the 12 months pay basis arrangement which was proposed by Superintendent Hug. This plan was favored by the teachers in a meeting held Tuesday afternoon. The list of principals and teachers reelected follows:

Senior High School
J. C. Nelson, principal; R. W. Tavner, assistant principal.
Ada Ross, head of the English department; Edith Bragg, Marjorie Christensen, Ellen A. Fisher, Grace T. Hockett, Dorothy Nicholson, Pauline Rickli, Leah Ross, Constance Small, Naomi Taylor, English instructors.
Beryl Holt, head of the mathematics department; Ola L. Clark, Lella Johnson, Margaret Lucius, mathematics instructors.
June Philpott, head of science department; Hulda Guild, Gurne Harra, Caroline Rhubetz, Merle

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FRANCE, ITALY GIVEN NEW NOTE

NATIONS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN NAVAL PACT

Assurance Sent to Both Governments That All Questions Are Still Open

WASHINGTON, March 15.—(AP.)—Invitations to France and Italy to participate "in some manner" in the three-power naval conference at Geneva were made public today at the state department. While similar in form, and also in language in part, they differed in that reply was made to arguments advanced by each country in rejecting the original five-power conference invitation.

Assurance was given both governments that while the United States had no desire to reopen questions as to naval limitations already settled by treaty, it regarded all other questions as open for discussion and had no preconceived ideas as to French or Italian tonnage ratios in the classes of auxiliary ships to be dealt with.

To the French suggestion that success of the preparatory commission at Geneva, organized by the league of nations, might be risked by simultaneous treaty negotiations between the naval powers, the American note said:

"The government of the United States is of the opinion that all appropriate measures taken by the large naval powers cannot but contribute towards facilitating the task of the commission."

Italy's assertion of the interdependence of every type of armament was answered similarly that in the American view "limitation of the naval branch of armament must greatly contribute in advancing the solution of the problem as a whole."

Dealing with Italy's suggestion that her geographic position and strategic considerations made it impossible for her to enter into binding agreements to limit naval armament without grave risks, the American note said:

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