temperature; variable winds becoming fresh southerly on the coast; maximum temperature yesterday, 60; minimum, 34; river, 5.6: no rainfall; atmosphere, clear; wind, southwest,

## The Oregon Statesman

Now the horticulturists have just developed the Nordic pea, the Nordic lettuce and the Nordic asparagus. Up to this time the only blonde type of vegetable has been the

SEVENTY-SIXTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 23, 1927

# OF OLD SCHOOL

Washington School Deserted Three Years Ago: Hug to Make Survey

BIDS ON BONDS OPENED

Same Salary Schedule for Teachers to Remain in Force; Board Turns Down New Plan for Pay Scale

Rehabilitation of the old Washington school to accommodate children in the Englewood section of the city was sought last night by a delegation of voters from that Salem school board at the regular semi-monthly meeting.

Parents living in that district said members of the delegation, now find it necessary to send their small children several blocks to Carfield school across streets heavy with traffic, thus endangering life. Furthermore, contended the voters, increase in population of that district because of heavy building there recently has greatly increased the number of children who would find it more convenient to attend school at Washing- CHARLES ARMOUR DIES ton should it be reopened.

No definite action was taken by the board on the request other than to instruct Superintendent Hug to conduct a survey of the district to ascertain how many

**Building Deserted** 

Holding of classes in Washingon school was discontinued three years ago when the building was family. condemned as unsafe to house the 700 students who then attended. A certain amount was set aside in the bond issue at that time for the repair of the Washington school and Grant school, but the people voted to combine the funds for the purpose of constructing the Parrish junior high school. The Washington school has been standing unused since.

Belief was expressed by the board and by members of the delegation that the lower floor of the school could be repaired and made safe at a nominal cost. The chief reason for its being condemned. three years ago, it was said, was

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#### **CROP INCREASES** NOT WARRANTED

BUT FLAX MAY BE PROFITA ABLE, SAYS DEPARTMENT

Tendency to Over Production of Corn and Grains Decried in Report

WASHINGTON, March 22 .-(AP.) - Farmers were warned today by the department of agri- offer moral sanctions for civil govculture that their intentions to ernment. plant this year larger areas of cer-

the principal crops," said the de- social phases of life. Its aim also partment's statement, "is not de- is to create a public sentiment sirable in view of the general ag- against "all public violations of ricultural outlook, but some of the the moral law and all attempts to

"Farmer's plans to plant as much corn as last year would result in a continuation of the pres- KILLS TANKER ENGINEER ent level of corn prices.

be beneficial.

"Intended increases of acreage of oats and barley would produce larger crops of these grains, and this is not considered desirable, except where these grains are required for feed to be used on the farms. The slight changes in the acreage of tame hay and grain sorghums could not materially hange the present market situ-

The slight increase in hard red spring wheat acreage appears des:rable in view of the probable increase in harvested acreage in should hesitate to replace Harding beat her. spring wheat with durum, though it may pay to substitute some durum for cash oats or barley.

age seems desirable."

#### HARTLEY'S VETO DRAWS NEW FIRE

STATE SCHOOL SUPERINTEND-ENT MAKES STATEMENT

Act Closes Opportunity for Better Education to 40,000, Declared

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 22. (AP) -In a statement issued today, Mrs. Josephine Corliss Preston, state superintendent of publie instruction, declared that "40, 000 children are today denied bet ter school advantages by the stroke of pen of Governor Hartley in vetoing the Wilmer school COERCED, EXPLANATION equalization bill."

"Governor Hartley points out, the statement read, "in his veto Dramatic Scene Enacted When Almessage, need of a 'comprehensive reorganization of our public school which will afford general relief.

"To one familiar with school organization and procedure, this statement is unmistakable in its intent to secure highly centralized friend. Henry Judd Gray, a corcontrol of our schools. It means set salesman, were in separate either revival of the controversia! cells in the Queens county jail todistrict which appeared before the county unit plan of reorganization night after both had recanted, in long cherished by those who do not live in the country and whose districts have been exempted by Snyder's husband every plan proposed thus far, or it means control from the "kindergarten to the university,' by a board appointed by the governor of this state.

"He has further indicated in his message that he will not approve any school legislation which would tend to strengthen our present state school system."

Vice President of Packing Company Passes at Age of 66

KANSAS CITY, March 22 .-(AP)-Charles W. Armour. 66. pupils would be available to attend vice president and a director of the Washington school should it Armour & Company, died at his home here today, leaving J. Ogden Armour of Chicago the only surviving member of the second generation of the famous packing

Mr. Armour, who had been in charge of the Armour interests in Kansas City since 1901, succumbed to pneumonia which de- CITY TYPHOID STRICKEN veloped as the result of injuries sustained in a fall a month ago.

Charles W. Armour was born in Madison county, New York, the son of A. W. Armour, one of the five brothers from a New York farm originally associated in the flowing with typhoid fever papacking industry founded as a tients city authorities today found butcher shop in Milwaukee by it necessary to open a special hos-Phillip D. Armour, father of J. pital with a capacity of sixty beds the business, and John Planking- ed today, bringing the total since

Prohibition and Morals Organization Makes Statement

WASHINGTON, March 22-(AP)—The Methodist Episcopal church's board of temperance. prohibition and public morals tonight defended its right to discuss the national issues designated in its name in a statement as to what the board "is and what it isn't."

Without mentioning the conditions which might have provoked the statement, the board declared that under the constitution it has not only the right but the duty to

The board was established, the tain crops, as indicated by the statement said, as an "agent and March I report, are not warranted servant" of the Methodist Episcoby the general agricultural out- pal church in its effort to coordinate the gospel of Christ with eco-"The slightly larger acreage of nomic, political, industrial and snifts in acreage contemplated may undermine and destroy civil and religious liberties."

Officer Fires Fatal Shot When Man Beats Former Landlady

WILMINGTON, Cal., March 22. -(AP)-James H. Williams, engineer on an oil tanker, was shot and killed by a policeman here today after he had seriously wounded the officer, Jack V. Wicks, who was called by the son of a woman whom Williams

was beating with a pistol. Mrs. Francis Mitchell told the police the engineer, a former boarder in her house, had rewinter wheat. In areas not well turned and ordered her to leave adapted to durum wheat, farmers with him. When she refused he

#### DAWES IN JAMAICA KINGSTON, JAMAICA, March

"Flax growers intend to reduce 22 .- (AP) - Vice President acreage, but may be more profit- Charles G. Dawes and Mrs. Dawes, able than other spring grains on who are on vacation, left Kingsland that return good yields. The ton tonight for the Panama Canal proposed reduction in rice acre- zone where they will spend some time.

#### APPROPRIATION READY FOR USE

1927 LEGISLATURE AUTHOR- SAYS FORD HAD NO PART IN IZES SUM FOR BENEFIT

Accident Commission to Have Charge of Disbursement of Allotment

Appropriations aggregating \$12. Confessions of Gray and 984.47 authorized by the 192 legislature for the benefit of the widows and children of James Milton Holman and John Sweeney, guards, who were killed during a break at the Oregon state nent tentiary here in August, 1925 have been turned over to the state industrial accident commission for distribution under the workmen's compensation act.

Woman Recanted in Court:

**Guilt Denied** 

leged Slayer's Wife Greets

Him in Courtroom; Will

Aid Defense, Stated

NEW YORK, March 22 .- (AP)

Mrs. Ruth Snyder and her

court, alleged confessions to the

murder Sunday morning of Mrs.

After a day spent going through

the formal processes of the "line-

wife and the dapper salesman to-

night were allowed a few hours

Victim Laid to Rest

late today bore to the grave the

body of the middle-aged husband,

Albert Snyder, whose murder,

with a club, chloroform and a

picture-wire garrot, was to "set

free' the young wife, whose "con-

fession" told, said the police, of

her infatuation for the salesman.

was brought home to her when

under guard, if need be, to attend

Tomorrow, District Attorney

Newcombe of Queens county said.

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Montreal Hospitals Filled, 29

Deaths Already Reported

MONTREAL, Que., March 22 .-

(AP)-With city hospitals over-

Physicians say they do not re-

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he funeral, were curtly denied.

How "free" she was actually,

respite from questioning.

The amount of \$7565.48 has been set aside by the commission for the benefit of Mrs. Holman Raymond, of Grand Rapids, Mich. and her two minor children She will receive the money on the basis of \$46 a month, \$30 to be paid during her life-time and \$8 h month for each of the two children until they reach the age of 16

Mrs. Sweeney, whose allowande was fixed at \$5418.97 will receive comprehend. He suggested dras-\$30 a month.

The state also appropriated \$4240.48 to be paid to Mrs. W. A. up" and arraignment, the blonde Goodman of Harney county at the rate of \$30 a month. Mrs Goodman's husband, the late Sheriff Goodman, was shot and killed liam Henry Gallagher, Sapiro's Shanghai's history, while in the performance of his official duties. Outside the jail, a procession

of the later Sheriff Dunlap of Linn county, will receive compensation of \$3000 in a lump amount. Sheriff Duniap was killed while DE making an arrest on May 21, 1923

The total appropriation to care for these claims was \$20,893.28

## her requests that she be allowed. ONTARIO LAW BENEFITS

Liquor Control Measure Less Border Problem, Stated

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 22 .formal indictments will be sought AP.) - Enactment of the new On-States prohibition officers at border points, in the opinion of Judge Roscoe C. Harper of this city, prohibition administrator for western and northern New York state.

This opinion, Judge Harper told the Associated Press tonight, was based chiefly on the belief that so many Americans would take advantage of easy facilities to cross the border for good liquor that Ogden Armour, present head of to care for sixty new cases report- bundreds of speak-easies and home breweries on the American side would be forced to shut down.

The majority of prohibition adtreated at the residences of the The mortality today stood at 29. Judge Harper said.

THE TREASURY SPOKESMAN

#### **EDITOR ASSUMES** RESPONSIBILITY

FRAMING POLICY

Sapiro's Complaint Unwieldly, Judge Warns; Will Be Amended Soon

Associated Press.) - The Sapiro-Ford \$1,000,000 libel suit nearly hit two high spots today and then dropped into the doldrum.s William J. Camerson, editor of

DETROIT, March 22 .- (By The

the Ford-owned Dearborn Independent shouldered complete responsibility for all articles published in the weekly and for its editorial policy, for the entire exclusion of the motor manufactur-

Then Federal Judge Fred M. warned counsel for Aaron Sapiro that in drawing their declaration of 21 counts and 11 separately alleged libels against Henry Ford they had permitted it to become insufficient in precision and too unwieldly for the average juror. unfamiliar with legal red tape, to tic revision, which Sapiro's counsel said would be made, probably tomorrow morning.

After that, with the soft-spoken Cameron sitting idly in the witness chair most of the time. Wilchief of counsel, took up one by one the various charges of libel Mrs. William A. Dunlap, widow and indentified them from the tonight, comparative quiet de-

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## VALERA TESTIFIES

Story of Irish Republic Told in Court by National Leader

NEW YOR, March 22 .- (AP) -A group of fifty middle aged lunches to court today to guard against missing any of the testitario liquor control law should de- mony of Eamon De Valera, in the hai. crease considerably, rather than suit of the Irish Free State to obincrease the problems of United tain \$2,500,000 of the money raised in the drive.

They formed in a long line in the corridor and many ate as they stood waiting patiently for the court room to be reopened. When court reconvened a few attempted to stage a demonstration as De Valera entered. Two or three joined in handclapping but a warning from the court quickly restored quiet.

The Irish republican leader occupied the stand during the entire day with a recital of his part gard the disease as virulent and ministrators from the northeast- in the strugle for complete inde-BOARD DEFENDS RIGHTS the less serious cases are being ern states and Washington officials pendence for Ireland and the camof the department who conferred paign which resulted in the raishere yesterday, share this view, ing of \$6,000,000 in the United

Cantonese Regulars Reach Native Districts of Shanghai, Riots Cease

BRITISH, CHINESE CLASH

Durhams Kill 24 Shantungeso who Atempt Break; Italian Force Has Similar Experience, Casualties 16

SHANGHAI, March 23 .-(Wednesday)—(AP) — A detachment of forty United States marines this morning was hurried out to reinforce the British troops holding the Markham road bridge on the border between the international settlement and the native district of Chapei.

A merciful lull tonight succeeded ment various items under the head selves as never before that their one of the bloodiest periods in of liabilities, but he failed to re- regular and future buyers might

With the arrival of Cantonese regulars in the Chinese districts scended upon portions of the city in which terror, death and destruction had reigned for 36 hours during conflicts between the re treating Shantungese of the Northern army and the Kuomintang guerillas.

British in Action

ed the remaining Northern troops ishing this information to county without fear of being struck his to attempt to break through the assessors even though it was autoists. Court street, from Com-British cordon to take refuge in bonds in the drive for funds of the the international settlement, re- be held in confidence. defunct Irish Republic, took their sulting in the first real clash between the Chinese and foreign sioner, argued that the informa- dations on their favorite car. troops since the origin of Shang-

> Majority of the Shangtungese terned within the settlement, but in several places they turned Gates, Jewett and Reed Mentioned rifles and machine guns against detachments of the Durham batal lion of the British defense force. The Durhams replied in kind, kill- Wade H. Malone of Corvallis, ing approximately 24 Shantun- whose term as state highway comgese and wounding more. Two missioner expires March 31, prob-Durhams were wounded in the ex- ably will be announced within the before, the general concensus of

right also met a similar situation were said to be close to the execuand in the exchange of fire there tive department. (Continued on page 5.)

ies Results in Verdict

BOSTON, March 22 .- (AP)-Local 380 milk milk drivers and to confer with Governor Pattercreamery workers union must pay son, but the executive was out of \$61,971.44 because it attempted the city. last summer to force three milk companies to employ only union members. This amount of dam- Portland and Judge W. H. Duby of ages was awarded \*Alden Broth- Baker. Friends of the governor ers company, Childs Brothers intimated that these officials company and W. E. Noble and would be allowed to serve out Sons company, today by Judge their terms Morton of superior court. His decision recalls the similar fining of a union famous in the Dan-Danbury hatters' case.

Judge Morton, in affirming the report of John M. Maloney, master, refused only to approve damage costs for the hire of police and detectives to guard the company's property, and the personnel.

It was found that the principal trade with the petitioners and by forced marriages in an attempted box office. the strike.

## FAMED HIKER RECOVERS

Edward Payson Weston Rallies From Automobile Injuries

NEW YORK, March 22-(AP) -Edward Payson Weston, 88, famous long distance walker, tonight was out-distancing the shad- was madly in love with Violet. ow of death in St. Vincent's hospital, where it was said he will girl in some way, or if he could daring, tears and lashes at the recover from injuries received in not, he would kill her" McLaglen condor until that fearsome bird an automobile accident.

Suffering "mostly from shock" and also from a scalp wound, the veteran pedestrian was "pretty passes as a second pedestrian was "pretty passes and pedestrian was "pretty p well," hospital officials reported.

Rescued from dire need through contributions raised by the New ! York Press club and assured of an income from a \$30,000 fund provided by Anne Nichols, playwright and producer, Weston set out for charch Sunday to give thanks in prayer, when he was struck by an automobile.

#### TAX COMMISSION **CHANGES RULING**

EFFORT TO ELIMINATE OTHER ITEMS MEETS FAILURE

Fisher Declares In Favor Of Fairness But Wants Just Assessment

Division C of the sworn statement, which was to be demanded of business houses by the county assessors according to a law passed at the last session of the legislature, was ordered into the discard yesterday by the state tax commission. The action came following lively debate on various phases of the new law. The proposed information elimi-

nated from the statement by order of the tax commission included the amount of sales during the year 1926, less cost of goods, inventory at beginning of year merchandise bought for sale, cost of manufacturing, gross profit for year ending December 31, 1926, other receipts such as rentals, income from investments, etc., total last night, gaily decorated winfrom all sources, salaries of of- dows, weird lights, handsome car ficers or owner, operating expense, displays, jazz orchestras, a 16interest, rent, depreciation, total piece band and a free dance at deductions and net profits from the armory making the evening an all sources.

of the state tax commission, to Ad club. SHANGHAI, March 22 .- (AP) further elminate from the stateceive the support of other mem- judge for themselves the standards bers of the commission. Kay's motion provided for the elimination of notes payable, accounts payable, other liabilities, capital investment, surplus and undivided profits and total liabilities. It was the contention of State Treasurer Kay that a statement of the liabilities of a business concern was not material for tax-assessment purposes. He predicted that business concerns The Cantonese arrivals impell- would object strenuously to furnagreed that the information would mercial to High, was a solid mas

Earl Fisher, state tax commis-

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## eventually were disarmed and in- APPOINTMENT DUE SOON

Appointment of a successor to next 10 days. This was indicated opinion was that Salem has insi-An Italian force on the British here yesterday by officials who witnessed its most succession

for Highway Position

ers back, seemed only to increase Men most prominently mentioned in connection with the appointment are C. E. (Pop) Gates UNION TO PAY DAMAGES of Medford, Warren Reed of Reedsport and W. H. Jewett of Attempt to Coerce Milk Compan- Gardiner. Mr. Gates formerly served as a member of the state

fair board. Mr. Reed was in Salem recently

Other members of the highway Present Coupon and Five Cents commission are H. B. VanDuzer of

## ALLEGE MARRIAGE PLOT

Blackmail Charges Hurled Fencing Master in Court

LOS ANGELES, March 22 .-(AP)-Charges that Lieutenant Gerard De Merveaux, Hollywood special matinee on Thursday affencing master, who alleges he damage was caused by following was horsewhipped by J. Stuart teams and inducing customers by Blackton, sought to entrap the threats and solicitation not to film director's two daughters into coupon below with five cents at the expenditures made necessary by blackmail scheme were hurled at the foils dueler at today's hearing and will be of interest to every of his \$25,000 damage suit against child, and to every adult, too. It the motion picture producer.

was called to the stand to sub- dog in the sheep-raising section stantiate the sensational charges of Eastern Oregon, who guarded made by Blackton's attorney. He his master's baby with loving care told of a conversation with De and did battle with his enemies Merveaux several months before without fear or dread. Rin-Tinthe alleged horsewhipping and Tin, wrongly accused of plandering quoted the duelist as saying he the flock, narrowly avoids death at

was asked. "He did." ery" and dies.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

Music, Style Shows, Dance and Other Things Prove of **Great Interest** 

CONTINUES FOR WEEK

'ooperation of Salea: Ad Club and Each Merchant Made Possible Success in Boost-

ing City

Accompanied by ideal weather. spring broke forth in full display eventful one for the thousands who An effort was made by T. B. thronged the streets to witness the Kay, state treasurer and member opening sponsored by the Salem

Window artists extended themof each display.

Men's clothing stores view with exceptional brilliance in the latest spring showings, rivaling even the highly colored and beautiful displays of the leading ladies' anparel stores. Several stores lifred ciever musical talent, attracting large crowds before their windows.

Automobiles Displayed Several city blocks were roped off, allowing the crowds to mingle of interested inspectors, appreciatively listening to the recommen-More than 100 of the 1927 show

cars were in display formation. with every firm in town represent-Approximately 2,000 people attended the free Spring dance at the armory. Prun-Port was served free to the large crowd by the

Salem Ad club, sponsors of the event.

Spring Display Success With a larger crowd than ever spring opening. The unusually long winter, holding Spring buy-

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## CHILDREN ASKED TO HOLLYWOOD

RIN-TIN-TIN TO APPEAR ON SCREEN AT HOLLYWOOD

at Window of New Theater for Admission

Rin-Tin-Tin will appear on the screen at the new Hollywood theater Thursday in the picture, "The Night Cry." This is the famous dog and the children all will want

to see this picture. In order to make it possible for many more of the Salem children to see this famous dog, The Statesman has arranged with the new Hollywood theater for a ternoon at 4 o'clock. All that is necessary for any child under 15 years of age to gain admittance

The picture is filled with thrills is a thrilling tale of Rin-Tin-Tin, Victor McLaglen, film actor, a courageous, powerful and loyal the hands of a revengeful shepherd "Did he say he would get the and then, in one glorious flash of of prey gives its last weird 'night

## COUPON .

SPECIAL STATESMAN MATTNEE This coupon and five cents will admit any girl or boy under fifteen years of age to the

NEW HOLLYWOOD THEATER on THURSDAY, MARCH 24, AT 4 O'CLOCK for a spe showing of "THE NIGHT CRY," featuring Rim-Tin-