

WEATHER FORECAST: Fair, but with fog on the coast; continued high temperature and low humidity in the interior; moderate north wind. Maximum temperature yesterday, 86; minimum, 48; river, 3; atmosphere, clear; wind, northwest.

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PRICE FIVE CENTS

RAILROAD WORK MUST BE BEGUN WITHIN 60 DAYS

Oregon Trunk Granted Permission to Build South to Klamath Falls

IN LINE WITH REQUEST

President of Great Northern Favors Proceeding at Once; Joint User Plan Eliminated; S. P. May Build

PORTLAND, May 14.—(AP)—Discussing the decision today of the interstate commerce commission relative to the southern Oregon railroad situation, the Morning Oregonian in a signed article tomorrow will say:

"The Interstate Commerce Commission Saturday cleared the way for the immediate beginning of work on the Oregon Trunk's proposed extension to Klamath Falls.

"Construction, in fact, must be under way within sixty days, the commission declared.

No Other Conditions

"This condition is the only 'string' attached to the otherwise unconditional granting of the original application of the Oregon Trunk railway for permission to building 178 miles of railway between its present terminus at Bend, Ore., and Klamath Falls.

"Ralph Budd, president of the Great Northern, who was in Wenatchee Saturday, said he was in favor of having the Oregon Trunk 'proceed at once.'

"Charles Donnelly, president of the Northern Pacific, telegraphed The Oregonian from St. Paul that he could not say what the attitude of the Northern Pacific would be until the commission's decision had been submitted to his board of directors.

S. P. May Extend

"The Southern Pacific's expansion program, involving approximately \$15,000,000, including a new trans-continental outlet from Oregon and branch lines into Lakeview, Ore., and Silver Lake, Ore., was also freed by Saturday decision from all restrictions hitherto imposed, providing that work begins before June 17.

"The commission's decision was written by the Oregon member, Clyde Aitchison. A dissenting decision was submitted by Commissioner Eastman, who advocated the consideration of the Great Northern's application.

"The decision is in line with the position of the Oregon public service commission, reiterated a few days ago when it telegraphed

M'NARY HONORED AT BAR BANQUET

DISTRICT FEDERAL JUDGE GUEST OF ASSOCIATION

Attorneys from Four Counties, Supreme Court Members in Attendance

Judge John H. McNary of the United States district court in Portland, was the guest of honor at a banquet held here Saturday night under the direction of the Marion county bar association.

The banquet was attended by attorneys from Marion, Polk, Linn and Yamhill counties, members of the state supreme court, and Judge R. S. Bean of the federal court in Portland. Judge Percy R. Kelly of the Marion and Linn county circuit court acted as toastmaster.

Speakers included W. E. Keyes, President of the Marion county bar association; Justice John L. Gail of the state supreme court; Gail Hill, representing the Linn county bar; Oscar Hayter, on behalf of the Polk county bar, and Walter L. Tooe, Jr., representing Yamhill county bar. Judge Bean of Portland also gave a brief address. There were special musical numbers.

Judge McNary practiced law in Salem for many years prior to his appointment as federal judge. He is a brother of Senator C. L. McNary. During his residence in Salem Judge McNary was prominent in legal and fraternal circles.

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CENTRAL STATE LINE REQUESTED

DEVELOPMENT OF EAST AREA HINDERED, COMPLAINT

Would Construct Line Between Crane on the West and Odell Junction

The Oregon public service commission renewed their demand yesterday in a complaint for the construction of a line by the railroads of Oregon between Crane or Harriman on the east, and Odell or Odell Junction, or some nearby point, on the Southern Pacific line on the west. Copies of this new complaint have been sent to the interstate commerce commission which has jurisdiction in the proposed railroad development.

"The defendant railroads in the past," read the complaint, "have failed and refused and still fail and refuse to provide a very large area of many thousand square miles in extent in central Oregon with adequate and reasonable facilities or transportation by railroad, although the existing line of railroad from Ontario to Crane and to Harriman, is a part of a line projected many years ago by the Union Pacific system to extend from Ontario in a westerly direction across the state to a connection at some suitable point in western Oregon with the Southern Pacific company.

"Between Crane or Harriman in eastern Oregon and Odell or Odell Junction or some point in the vicinity thereof on the existing line of railroad operated by the Southern Pacific company and commonly known as the Natron cutoff there is a practicable and feasible route for the construction of a line of railroad, which, when built, would provide such facilities. Adequate provision without delay of such facilities is demanded by public interest, convenience and necessity. The expense involved in the extension of lines aforesaid would not impair the ability of the defendants or any

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POLA MARRIES PRINCE

Countess Gets New Title; Celebrities in Attendance

SERAINCOURT, France, May 14.—(AP)—Pola Negri, whose first trip to the altar converted her into a countess, acquired another title this afternoon when she was married to the young Russian prince, Serge Mdivani. This time she did not go to the altar for the ceremony was merely a civil one performed in a little room in the tumbled down town hall of Seraincourt, about 30 miles from Paris.

Near the village, Pola Negri last year bought a chateau with a park of some hundred acres. There this afternoon her mother gave a wedding reception, comprising several score friends of the bride and bridegroom.

Under the shade of the fine old trees, scores of Russians, Poles and French and a few Americans and English celebrated the nuptials.

CLAIM LIQUOR MISSING

Recheck of Federalship Cargo Being Made at Vancouver

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 14.—(AP)—A re-check of the million dollar liquor cargo of the rum runner Federalship was proceeding slowly here today. Customs officials indicated a hasty check showed about 40 cases missing.

Many of the cases were broken. It was said, and final count may show a still greater amount missing.

The check was brought about by the complaint of Captain S. S. Stone, master of the Federalship, that members of the United States coast guard prize crew were intoxicated when they brought the vessel into San Francisco.

BOND PLAN CONSIDERED

State Engineer Leaving for California for Conferences

Rhea Luper, state engineer, will leave here today for San Francisco and other California cities where he will confer with a number of persons holding bonds issued by Oregon irrigation districts.

It was said that Mr. Luper's visit to California is the first step in a program looking to the rehabilitation of a number of Oregon irrigation projects under a law enacted at the last legislative session. The success or failure of the rehabilitation program will depend on the attitude of the bond holders, Mr. Luper said.

\$27000 AMOUNT CITY WILL GET FOR ROAD FUND

Salem Entitled to Like Sum for 1926, but May Not Collect, Stated

CHANGE IN LAW REASON

Statute Passed in 1925 Makes Refund Mandatory; Giesy Has Part in Removing Limitation on Use of Money

The city of Salem will receive from county authorities this year approximately \$27,000 as its share of the county road and bridge fund, according to County Judge J. T. Hunt. Of this amount, \$11,000 will be paid over in the next few days, and the balance sometime next fall when collection of the taxes is completed.

That Salem, under a strict interpretation of the law, has a like amount due for the year 1926, was confirmed by the judge last night. Whether or not city officials will attempt to collect this money is problematical but there is little question but that they will be able to do so if desired. County officials state that they have a verbal agreement with the city not to exact the money for that year since it has already been spent in general road improvement. None of this money was spent for improvements in the city, however.

The money is due the city under a law which was passed in the

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ROTH GETS APPOINTMENT

Members of Aeronautic Board to Hold Conference Here

Archie Roth of Portland today was reappointed a member of the Oregon State aeronautic board. The board is authorized under the law to conduct an examination of all planes operating in the state of Oregon and license pilots.

It was said that the members of the aeronautic board, secretary of state and state traffic officials would hold a conference in Salem within the next few days to discuss the regulation of aircraft and adopt a standard of qualifications for pilots.

Mr. Roth was selected as chairman of the aeronautic board at the time it was created in this state.

DWELLINGS LEAD BUILDING GRANTS

TOTAL FOR MONTH REACHES \$112,950 YESTERDAY

31 Residence Permits Average 2.21 Per Day, and \$8,061 For Each

Although the grand total value of building permits issued since May 1 is small in comparison to other months, the average of dwelling houses permitted is much higher, with 2.21 per day. This totals 31 residences to cost \$94,950, an average of \$3,061 per building.

Other permits, including repairs and the construction of a one-story concrete building at 464 North Liberty street, ran the total to \$112,950 for the first 14 days of the month. The building on Liberty street will be occupied by E. H. Burrell, electric service man who is leaving his present location in the Derby building on High street.

With no building over \$7500 this month, the total values have been held down to a minimum. Several projects are now under way without permits or announcements, but are expected to record their values within a few days. The Rodgers Paper company building.

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SALEM WOMAN ELECTED

Dr. Mary Purvine Vice President of State Association

CORVALLIS, May 14.—(AP)—Miss Moselle Hair of Eugene was elected president of the Association of Business and Professional Women of Oregon at their annual convention here today, attended by several hundred delegates from all parts of the state.

Other officials are: Dr. Mary Purvine, Salem, first vice president; Miss Minna Schassen, The Dalles, second vice president; Miss Lella May, Corvallis, corresponding secretary; Miss Emma Summerfield, Albany, treasurer. Papers were read today by Miss Edith Falbe, Roseburg; Mrs. Lena Denny, Klamath Falls; Mrs. Leola Thompson, Medford; Dr. Mary Purvine, Salem, and Miss Cecelia M. Beyer, Astoria.

ODD FELLOWS GATHER

State Convention Starts Monday at Astoria; Expect 6000

ASTORIA, May 14.—(AP)—Delegates began arriving here tonight in anticipation of the annual convention of the I. O. O. F. lodge in Oregon, scheduled here May 16 to 20. The local chapter has made extensive arrangements for the 6000 guests expected. The main body of visitors is expected to arrive tomorrow.

NEW CLUE FOUND TO FLIERS' LOSS

EXPLOSION HEARD IN NEW-FOUNDLAND LAST MONDAY

Follows Sound of Plane; Colonial Constabulary Investigating Many Stories

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., May 14.—(AP)—The Newfoundland constabulary tonight began investigation of a report that a loud explosion was heard at Whitbourne, in the interior of Newfoundland soon after the dropping of an airplane engine had been noticed above the place last Monday morning.

At 10 o'clock tonight Inspector General Hutchings of the Colonial constabulary, received a message from Sergeant Dwyer, stationed at Bay Roberts on Conception Bay, informing him of this latest development in the search for the missing French fliers, Captains Charles Nungesser and Francois Coll.

The message said that Dwyer had heard that a man who was at Whitbourne Monday morning heard a noise in the clouds like a passing plane and shortly afterward a heavy explosion. The name of the man was not stated in the telegram received here. Whitbourne is 20 miles inland from Bay Roberts.

The inspector general ordered Dwyer to proceed to Whitbourne and make a full investigation of the matter.

JERSEY SHOW DATE SET

Demonstration to Be May 26 at Fairgrounds, Decided

The date of the county jersey cattle show was set as May 26, at a meeting of Jersey cow fanciers held yesterday in the chamber to commerce rooms. The show will be held at the fairgrounds.

Dr. Edgar S. Forkner, a newcomer to Salem, was elected secretary of the Jersey cattleman's association, to succeed Mrs. W. J. Thurnley, who resigned when she moved to Clackamas county. Sidney Miller, Woodburn, is president.

MARSHFIELD YOUTH HURT

Strikes Back on Bottom of Swimming Tank, May Die

MARSHFIELD, Ore., May 14.—(AP)—J. V. Klinger, 21, was in a serious condition here today and not expected to live as the result of an accident at Bandon last night when he fell into a concrete swimming pool in three feet of water. Injuries to his back paralyzed him from the neck down. He was performing on rings over the tank when he fell. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Klinger of this city.

THREE PLANES TO MAKE RACE OF PARIS TRIP

But Attempt to Cross Atlantic Cannot Be Started Until Next Week

FOG STILL INTERVENES

Acosta May Accompany Byrd; Lindbergh Has Slight Accident, but Mechanics Repair Damage Quickly

NEW YORK, May 14.—(AP)—There was no longer any obstacle tonight to the first American flight from New York to Paris being a three-cornered race, but it was not likely that the race would start until Monday at least, and more probably Tuesday.

Unfavorable weather, which for several days has prevented the monoplane "Spirit of St. Louis" and "Columbia" from hopping off, has continued so long that today factory tests were completed on the monoplane "America" and she was turned over to the pilots.

Planes All Ready

So now, as soon as the weather man decides conditions are good, and tonight he saw no immediate likelihood of clearing, all three planes will be ready to rumble down the long runway at Roosevelt field, climb into the air, and head eastward on the race for Paris.

As final preparations for the American flights went forward today the search continued for the two missing French fliers, Nungesser and Coll, centering along the bays of Newfoundland's wilderness where a plane was heard passing last Monday. No trace of the fliers was found, however, nor any indication at all of what has happened to them.

Byrd Takes Charge

The day's preparations on Long Island were featured by the turning over of the "America" to Commander Richard E. Byrd, and by a minor accident to the "Spirit of St. Louis" when Charles Lindbergh, its pilot, swerved in landing to avoid striking a group of photographers. The tail skid was broken but mechanics were able to repair it quickly.

Both the "Spirit of St. Louis" and the "America" were in the air during the day for test flights. Lindbergh took a mechanic up with him, crowded into the single seat, and performed some daring stunts close above the field. On one of the "America's" flights Bert Acosta was at the controls and this was taken as further indication that he will be the third man to accompany Byrd and George Neville.

Report Unfavorable
If Acosta does go up with Byrd and if the flight is a race, two men who recently achieved fame together will be pitted against each other. It was Acosta who shattered all previous records for endurance flying. It was first announced that he would accompany Chamberlain in the "Columbia" but later Lloyd Bertrand's name was substituted.

When the fliers were shown the 4 o'clock weather report today they all agreed that any attempt within the next 24 hours was out of the question. The chart showed continuing fog from the coast to past mid-Atlantic and a storm was brewing off the Irish coast.

"WISP" NOW IDENTIFIED

Found to Be Former Logger, Ex-Serviceman; Committed

ASTORIA, May 14.—(AP)—The "Wallusi wisp," mysterious forest recluse captured south of here two days ago, today was identified as Ed. Wilbur, for many years employed in nearby logging camps, and connected with the U. S. Spruce division during the war period.

The identification was made by 15 local loggers who visited the Astoria jail today to see the "wisp" after seeing his picture posted in a store window.

The loggers said that Wilbur disappeared shortly after Astoria was destroyed by fire in 1923 and that it was believed he had committed suicide.

The "wisp" was examined by alienists today and committed to the state hospital at Salem. He will probably be held here a few days in hopes of completing the identification or locating relatives.

MERCURY RISES TO 86 DEGREES

HOTTEST WEATHER OF YEAR RECORDED SATURDAY

Medford Has 90.5; Yuma Claims Honor of Warmest Place in America

The mercury rose here today to 86, the highest mark of the year, and the new straw hats procured for "straw hat day" which was Friday, came in handy. Continued high temperature is forecast for today.

MEDFORD, May 14.—(AP)—The mercury here today registered 90.5 degrees in the warmest day of the year.

PORTLAND, May 14.—(AP)—The mercury mounted to 86 degrees here today, by five degrees the highest of the year. The previous high mark was 81 on April 24. Cities in the upper Columbia river drainage basin also reported unusually high temperatures. Boise reported 88 degrees, Pocatello 84 degrees, Spokane 80, and Kalispell, Mont., 70, the highest this year.

The Columbia river, it was said, may rise so far as to cause a flood of back water from the Willamette. Hood River reported a three-inch rise in the river level in 72 hours.

The weather bureau has no definite figures on the depth of snow in the high mountains, but indications are, Edward L. Wells, fore-

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STAND FALLS, ONE DEAD

Man Trampled to Death at Ball Park; Over Fifty Injured

PHILADELPHIA, May 14.—(AP)—An unidentified man was trampled to death and more than half a hundred were injured today when part of the flooring of the base of the lower grandstand of the Philadelphia National league baseball park collapsed. The collapse threw the crowd into a panic and it swarmed on the field, negotiating the umpires to end the game.

The collapse threw 300 persons from their seats into a huddle of struggling humanity. The floor did not fall to the ground, 10 or 15 feet below, but sagged down, throwing the spectators into a mass. Later it broke open and many fell through to the ground. Ambulances from half a dozen hospitals in North Philadelphia were summoned and nearly 50 persons were taken to the institutions.

COLLISION INJURES TWO

Newport Girls in Hospital; Glass Pierces Neck of One

NEWPORT, Ore., May 14.—(AP)—Miss Melba Miller, is in a hospital here near death, and Mary Humas is seriously injured as the result of an accident last night when the automobile in which they were riding collided with another machine. They are high school girls.

Miss Miller's neck was pierced by a glass splinter, and she received other serious injuries. Their automobile was driven by Rex Hall of Toledo. The other car was operated by Harlan Fietner of Corvallis.

PLUMBERS WILL RETURN

Local Union Fails in Demand for Higher Wage Standard

The Salem local union of journeymen plumbers will return to work as usual Monday after a two weeks' layoff in demand for a higher wage scale, according to leaders of the master plumbers last night.

Journeymen plumbers were on a \$44 per week scale and were demanding \$55 for 44 hours' work. No concessions were made by master plumbers, the workers returning unconditionally.

HOSPITAL PATIENTS GIVE

Red Cross Fund for Flood Relief Reaches \$2430.65

Patients at the state tuberculosis hospital furnished an example which persons more favorably situated might well follow, when on Saturday they contributed \$21 to the Mississippi valley flood relief fund of the Red Cross.

This donation with others received Saturday, brings the total in the Willamette district up to \$2430.65. It was reported by Dr. Henry Morris, chairman of the relief fund.

GLAZES SECTION DOOMED; FLOOD GAINING FORCE

Water From Southern Tributaries of Mississippi Pours Into Gaps

EMBANKMENTS GIVE WAY

Levee Board Still Hopes Part Of Rich "Sugar Bowl" District May Be Saved; Many Small Breaks Seen

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 14.—(AP)—Mississippi flood waters with all the reinforcements of the Yazoo, the Black, and the Red and other southern tributaries were assaulting five south central Louisiana parishes tonight, pouring through earthen embankments which crumbled before their onslaught.

Hope of saving the Bayou Des Glazes section, a part of the "sugar bowl" and the Evangeline country disappeared with the falling of the Kleinwood plantation levee before the attack of the waters.

Some Hope Remains

Other breaks at Moreauville, Bordelonville and Cottonport still had left levee board officials with the hope that they might be able to save a part of the rich district.

With the breach at Kleinwood, in the middle of Big Bend, along Bayou Des Glazes, work was abandoned along the 30 mile stretch from Cottonport to the southernmost of the bend. Four crevasses occurred today in Bayou Des Glazes and another levee went out at Cottonport along Bayou Rouge. Three other breaks had occurred previously, one at Cottonport and two at Moreauville.

The affected district is approximately 160 miles northwest of New Orleans and on the opposite side of the river.

Crevasses Noted

In addition to the five major breaks along Bayou Des Glazes, aviators flying over the district reported at least 15 minor crevasses through which the water was tearing.

The airplane observation also revealed serious threats along the east bank of the Atchafalaya and weak spots at Morganza, 30 miles above Baton Rouge on the west side of the river. All appeared to be under control, the report said. The escaping water tonight al-

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SALE OF WATER WORKS ASSURED

MOVEMENT STARTED TO PURCHASE PROPERTY FOR CITY

Deal for Buying of Hoquiam Water Plant Being Worked Out By Officials

That the option on the Salem Water Light and Power company property held by the Federal Water Service company, a New York corporation, would be taken up was indicated in a letter received yesterday by officials of the public utility firm. The change in management will not take place until July 1. C. A. Park, president of the company, announced last night. The consideration named will be about \$450,000.

Confirmation of the purchase of the water service corporation had been in Salem for a considerable period of time checking over the situation. Two extensions of time were allowed for complete investigations into titles, to verify appraisals, and investigate other details involved in the deal.

The old Salem water company was organized February 21, 1871. In 1892, R. S. Wallace bought out the plant and operated it until his death. On April 10, 1911, the present Salem Light, Water, and Power company was organized with its present officers and stockholders who have operated it since then.

The present officers are Charles A. Park, president, and Paul R. Wallace, vice president. These two and Mrs. Ruth Lee Lambie of Seaside, Penn., Mr. Wallace's sister, constitute the stockholders.

Last year the company owned 123 miles of pipe line and served 8750 customers. During 1926

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