

The Oregon Statesman

WEATHER FORECAST: Generally cloudy and mild; normal humidity; gentle to moderate west and northwest winds on the coast. Maximum temperature yesterday, 65; minimum, 44; river, 3.2; atmosphere, cloudy; wind, west.

Whenever you get to worrying about the international situation, just stop and console yourself that it won't be many months now until the roasting ear season will come around again.

SEVENTY-SIXTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 25, 1927

PRICE FIVE CENTS

HONORS HEAPED ON YANK FLIER; KISS BESTOWED

"Greatest Aviator in World," Phrase Used Describing Lindbergh

ONE WOMAN FORTUNATE

"Slim" Proposes Toast to France and Her Admirer, But Neglects to Drink Champagne; Unspotted

PARIS, May 24.—(AP)—Capt. Charles Lindbergh passed from triumph to triumph in Paris today. He was hailed everywhere as the greatest aviator in the world, and as true and fine an American as ever came across the ocean.

For the first time since his arrival a woman succeeded in kissing him and for the first time in his life champagne touched his lips, although he did not drink a drop of it.

Americans Entertain

His first public appearance of the day was as his own countryman—400 fortunate folk who got hold of seats for which ten times as many applied at a luncheon at the American club. Then he called on the minister of marine to thank him for his congratulations.

Later he went once more to the great flying field at Le Bourget, where on Saturday night he dropped down out of the sky on his immortal flight from America. At Le Bourget 400 flying officers of the French army and several platoons of soldiers assembled to do him honor. Overhead, army and civilian airplanes roared and went through every possible evolution.

Toasted by Aviators

In the vast hangar, converted into a banquet hall, the uniformed fliers of France surrounded Lindbergh as they drank to him as "one of us."

The glasses were raised again to "one of the greatest, finest and most heroic of Americans," this toast being given by Colonel Marchetti, commanding the 34th regiment of aviation.

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JACKSON COUNTY CASE DISMISSED

CAMERON FAILS TO FORCE ACCEPTANCE OF PETITION

Effort to Balk Removal of Court House to Medford Loses in Supreme Court

The mandamus proceedings filed by W. W. Cameron in his attack upon failure of a county clerk to accept referendum petitions were dismissed yesterday by the Oregon supreme court. This action was an attempt to force Delligia Stevens, Jackson county clerk, to accept a petition aimed at the last legislative enactment authorizing removal of the Jackson county courthouse from Jacksonville to Medford.

The county clerk refused to accept and file the referendum petitions for the reason that the law under attack carried the emergency clause and was in effect immediately upon its passage by the legislature and being signed by the governor.

The plaintiff contended that the legislature exceeded its authority in attaching the emergency clause to the courthouse law for the reason that all local and special measures are subject to referendum attack under the provisions of the constitution.

"It would seem," reads the supreme court opinion, "that unless expressly prohibited by some constitutional provision, the legislature has as much power to prescribe when an act shall take effect as it has to enact the law itself, and that in order to make it take effect at once, it has the power to declare an emergency. When so declared the act is not subject to referendum attack."

"The necessity for this power to be vested in the legislature is obvious for emergencies may arise where the exercise of the power may become as important and necessary for the protection of the public as the enactment of the law itself."

For this it follows, that in enacting the law in question the legislature did have authority to declare that an emergency did exist. For this reason this proceeding must be dismissed."

The opinion was written by Justice Rand.

In another opinion the court affirmed the decree of Judge J. A. Eskin of Clatsop county who found

NAVY DESTROYER FOR LINDBERGH

FAST VESSELS OF 25TH DIVISION AT HERO'S DISPOSAL

Foreign Flotilla Returns to America June 15, May Bring Flier and Plane

WASHINGTON, May 24.—(AP)—Navy destroyers were placed today at the disposal of Captain Charles Lindbergh, New York to Paris flier, for his return home and the transportation to this country of his plane "The Spirit of St. Louis."

This offer was flashed across the sea after a call at the White House by Assistant Secretary Robinson of the navy, as the president and all Washington continued to admire and make plans for honoring the youthful aviator.

Making known that destroyers of the 25th division now in European waters were available to Captain Lindbergh President Coolidge reflected today that the accomplishment of America's aviator was something which grew out of the more it was contemplated. The more that is learned of his feat, he considers, the greater it seems to have been.

Commander W. W. Galbraith, in charge of the destroyer division, was directed by the navy to inform Lindbergh that he could return to his homeland aboard a destroyer and that his plane would be brought back the same way. The division is sailing for America June 15.

Meanwhile other means of showing its admiration were under consideration by the administration and city of Washington. The hope has been expressed that a form of material decoration can be given Lindbergh by the government and Washington which has welcomed the heroes of many lands and wars in the past, is preparing to give him one of its best receptions that the several organizations are planning to bestow medals on Lindbergh when he reaches the capital. In addition, the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Congressional Medal of Honor will be sought for him.

EVIDENCE STRENGTHENS

Buckshot Found in Alleged Moonshiner's Leg Wound

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 24.—(AP)—The chain of evidence connecting Luther Baker with the slaying of Sheriff Wood was strengthened materially today, police said with the discovery that an x-ray photograph revealed a buckshot in each of the wounds Baker said were caused by barbed wire. Sheriff Wood fired at his assailant after he himself had been mortally wounded. One shot was fired from a double barrel shotgun.

A search today for the rifle that was used in killing Wood proved fruitless. The sheriff was shot when he and his deputies were raiding a still. Six men, relatives of Baker, and a woman are held in jail here in connection with the crime. The Bakers admit ownership of the still but declare they were not in the neighborhood Sunday afternoon when Wood was killed.

VOLSTEAD ACT 'BLEMISH'

Directors of Episcopal Temperance Society Denounce Law as Ineffective

NEW YORK, May 24.—(AP)—The 18th amendment has blemished the constitution and the Volstead act has resulted in increased drunkenness, declared a resolution unanimously passed at a meeting of the board of directors of the Church Temperance Society of the Protestant Episcopal church and made public today.

The society announced that it has commenced a nationwide campaign to appeal to the clergy and the laity of the Episcopal church in behalf of "true temperance" and to the lawmakers, state and national, "in behalf of the speedy adoption of moderate regulatory measures to replace the impractical and harmful laws now in force."

The resolution classed temperance as an "educational" rather than a "legislative" problem. It endorsed the stand recently taken by the American Medical association that doctors should be allowed to prescribe whiskey unrestrictedly.

GENERAL HELD AS SPY

Lithuanian Military Head Held for Selling Documents to Soviet

BERLIN, May 24.—(AP)—A dispatch from Kovno, Lithuania, to the Vossische Zeitung says that the Lithuanian general, Klezinski was arrested at the moment he was handing over a secret military document to an official of the Soviet legation. It was alleged, the dispatch adds, that General Klezinski sold the Russians about 13 secret documents.

The affair has caused a sensation at Kovno, and is regarded as likely to have serious political consequences.

251 APPROVED FOR DIPLOMAS AT SALEM HIGH

Large Class Will Be Graduated at Exercises Set for June 4

BOARD CERTIFIES LIST

Although Large, Class Falls Behind That of Year Ago in Numbers; Nelson Makes Recommendation

Two hundred fifty-one Salem high school seniors will be given diplomas at the annual commencement exercises June 4. This many names were approved for graduation by the school board last night, acting upon recommendation of Principal J. C. Nelson.

While this is a large class, the number of students graduating this year falls short of last year's total by 31. Last year there were 282.

List Announced

The names of those who will receive diplomas are:

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| Dwight Adams | Aileen Bealy |
| Hugh Adams | Chancy Beasley |
| Iva Adams | Dorothy Bell |
| Josephine Albert | Moody Benner |
| Robert Andrews | Virginia Best |
| Merrill Ash | Otha Bevens |
| Herbert Ashley | Virginia Billings |
| Tlene Ashliman | Henrietta Bishop |
| Donald Baker | Robert Bishop |
| Willis Baldersee | Edna Birchard |
| Verne Barlow | Dorothy Bossard |
| Dorothy Bartlett | Sherman Bostrack |
| Era Batterman | Helen Bradford |
| Gerald Beach | Thorild Brauti |

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CHILDREN DONATE \$112

Salem Scholars Give \$72 of Fund to Aid Louisiana School

School children of Oregon have raised \$112 for the rehabilitation of the Louise consolidated school which was destroyed by the recent floods in Mississippi, according to announcement made by C. A. Howard, state superintendent of public instruction.

Of the funds received at the offices of the state superintendent of schools \$72 was raised by the Salem high school.

MAY SEGREGATE BEST STUDENTS

SPECIAL CLASS FOR THOSE CAPABLE FAVORED

Advantage to Exceptional as Well as Average Pupils Shown by Miller

With the view of segregating pupils in the city schools to give greater opportunities for advancement to average pupils, and those below and above average, E. A. Miller, principal of the Grant school, and director of research and guidance, has made a study of boys and girls in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades. It was revealed at the school board meeting last night.

His investigation shows that there are a number of students in the fifth grade with an intelligence quotient of 115 or better. The plan proposed by Principal Miller is to place these pupils in a special class at the re-opened Washington school where they would be given an especial opportunity to progress. There are not enough of these "accelerated" pupils in any one school to warrant special classes, but if they could be brought together at some central point, it would be a great benefit to their development.

"Smart" children drift into slovenly habits when their progress is retarded by the remainder of the group, it was pointed out. The desirable thing is to keep the pupils up to their maximum. This

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SET NEW TRIAL DATE

June 6th Tentative Date of Hearing in Case of Alleged Slayer

MEDFORD, Ore., May 24.—(AP)—Monday, June 6, has been set as the tentative date for the retrial of Hugh DeAutremont, 23, alleged Siskiyou tunnel bandit-slayer. The first trial ended in a mistrial, owing to the death of S. W. Dunham, a juror. DeAutremont was charged with the murder of Charles O. Johnson, a trainman. Three other men were killed in the holdup in southern Oregon in October 1923.

The state today filed a motion with the court asking an early hearing of the case, as two vital witnesses were said to be making plans to visit foreign countries. Since their testimony is regarded as of particular importance, the prosecution asks that a date be fixed by the court, setting the new trial as early as possible.

FIVE CONVICTED IN KERRICK CASE

JURY RETURNS VERDICT IN MANSLAUGHTER AFFAIR

Widow and Others of Drinking Party Will Be Sentenced Next Friday

LOS ANGELES, May 24.—(AP)—Mrs. Sarah Kerrick and four others were found guilty of manslaughter here late today for the killing of Tom Kerrick, motion picture actor, at a drinking party in Hollywood early in April.

These convicted besides the widow of the slain cowboy actor, were Anita Davis, Iris Burns and Henry Isabell, small-parts players in motion pictures and Joe Hunt, Arizona cowboy, all of whom were members of the "moonshine" party which the police characterized as one of the wildest ever to come to their attention.

Mrs. Kerrick, whose testimony in her own defense was marked by hysterical fits of weeping and sobbing, evinced little emotion when the verdict was announced.

Sentence will be pronounced next Friday. The penalty for manslaughter is from one to ten years imprisonment.

The trial of the quintet, each member of which attempted to throw the blame for the shooting on another, was unusual in that defense attorneys, through cross-examination, conducted almost wholly the prosecution's case.

When the time came for summing up by the state, no attempt was made by prosecutors to fix the blame on any one, but asked that all five be convicted.

Kerrick was shot to death early on the morning of April 9 in his Hollywood flat. Widely varying stories of how and who fired the shot were told by the defendants.

DISTRICT HEADS CONFER

Methodist Problems in Northwest Discussed With Bishop

SPOKANE, Wash., May 24.—(AP)—Problems of membership and finance of the Methodist Episcopal church in the Pacific northwest were considered here today by Bishop W. O. Shepard, head of the Portland area of the denomination, and the 12 district superintendents of the three conferences it includes, the Oregon, Puget Sound, and Columbia river.

Plans for the annual conferences also were discussed. The Columbia river conference meets here Sept. 7, the Puget Sound conference at Seattle Sept. 14 and the Oregon conference at Portland Sept. 21.

LAST DRY LAND OF WIDE BASIN NOW VANISHING

None Remaining Between Mississippi and Hills Beyond Atchafalaya

DIKE BREAKS AT M'CREA

Homes of 80,000 People Placed in Danger From Five Additional Parishes Of Over Million Acres Opened

NEW ORLEANS, May 24.—(AP)—The last dry land between levees of the Mississippi and rolling highlands beyond the west banks of the Atchafalaya was vanishing tonight as water streamed through a rent in the dikes at McCreas, on the east bank of the Atchafalaya, to form a solid sheet of water almost 50 miles wide.

Before the flood waters have vanished into the Gulf of Mexico, they will have cut a path 50 miles wide and 200 miles long from the Arkansas border to the gulf.

Cover Five Parishes

Five additional parishes with an area of 1,100,000 acres and the homes of 80,000 people were thrown open to invasion by the inland sea, when the river tore aside the protection barriers, at McCreas, and spread over the lowlands of Pointe Coupee parish.

Large portions of thirteen parishes in northeastern Louisiana still were under water as the flood moved down upon the south central Louisiana "sugar bowl" through a torn levee line along Bayou Des Glaisses and at Melville, on the west banks of the Atchafalaya and striking into new territory through McCreas levee.

Evacuation Begun

The evacuation of five parishes added to the flood's conquest began several days ago when John M. Parker, flood relief dictator, warned residents at Pointe Coupee parish, in which the break occurred, that such was the volume of water in the Tensas basin that the levee line could not be held intact. He urged that women and children be sent out of the parishes.

A desperate fight had been kept

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MARION BRIDGE BIDS REPORTED

LINDSTROM & FIGENSON GET CONTRACT ON DECKING

O. M. Olds Low Bidder on Pudding River Structure; Commission Meets

PORTLAND, May 24.—(AP)—The state highway commission today decided to close the gap between Mitchell and Dayville as soon as finances permit, completing another trans-state highway, and providing a trans-continental chain of roads, with Florence, Or., on the Pacific coast as the western terminus, and New York city on the eastern end.

This gap, 31 miles long, will be costly of construction, owing to the nature of the terrain. The gap will bring traffic westward across the John Day highway to the Ochoco and through Prineville and Redmond. Sisters, thence over the McKenzie through Eugene westward to Florence. It is considered the most important gap on the present road map, as it will, when completed, link the primary roads.

Among the contracts awarded today were the following:

Concrete bridge deck at Salem, to Lindstrom & Figenson, \$21,850.

Bridge at Pudding river, low bidder, O. M. Olds, \$4532. Referred to Marion county.

Newberg bridge reconstruction, Clackamas Construction company, \$28,750, and bridge approaches, Earl McNutt, for \$2356. Bids referred to county.

A law passed by the legislature and which becomes operative Saturday authorizes the highway commission to place signs at the intersections of all roads entering through highways, and that under the law all traffic must come to a stop before entering such highway.

The commission today decided to start placing signs at intersections on the Columbia highway between Astoria and The Dalles, and the full line of 350 miles of the Pacific highway. Where the highways pass through cities it was believed that the signs should be provided by these municipalities.

M'KINLEY WINS CONTEST

Junior High Scores Highest in Identifying Selections

The McKinley Junior high school won the music memory contest conducted in the Salem schools, in the final contest held Tuesday forenoon in the high school auditorium.

McKinley scored 799 points out of a possible 1000, Garfield school taking a close second place with 796, also ranking as first among the grammar schools. Englewood was second in this classification with 682 points. Individual scores have not yet been announced.

The music memory contest was directed by Miss Gretchen Kreamer, supervisor of music in the Salem schools, with the assistance of the music instructors in the various schools. Two hundred pupils who qualified in the preliminaries last week competed.

ITALIAN ACE TOWED IN

Do Pinedo Has Accident But Uninjured; Reaches (zores)

LONDON, May 24.—(P)—His "Rome-to-Rome" flight interrupted by another stroke of ill-fortune, Commander Francesco Do Pinedo was safely at or near Fayal, Azores, tonight.

Details are still lacking of the mishap which brought him down near the end of his 1600 mile jump from Trepassey, N. F., but dispatches from Lisbon said Do Pinedo was not injured in the landing, and his craft, the Santa Maria II, was being towed into port. An examination undoubtedly will be made there before a decision is reached as to continuing the original route to Portugal and thence to Rome.

The dense fog which compelled the flyers to abandon their long hop after they had digressed considerably off their course, continuing to drop the island archipelago all of today and atmospheric conditions made radio communication difficult.

FILING TERM NEAR END

Referendum Petitions Must Be Filed by 26th; Pleas Not In

The time for filing referendum petitions with the secretary of state attacking laws to be referred to the voters at the special election June 28, expires next Friday.

It was said that petitions are now in circulation attacking at least two laws referred to the voters by the 1927 legislature. One of these laws was known as house bill 72, which gives county assessors and the state tax commission additional additional powers in levying property assessments.

RUSSIAN PLOT REASON GIVEN BRITISH MOVE

House of Commons Hears Most Momentous Speech Since Close of War

TRACE STATE DOCUMENT

Announcement Comes on Empire Day; Official Paper Photographed and Copy Sent to Moscow, Report

LONDON, May 24.—(AP)—Premier Baldwin made in the house of commons today perhaps the greatest announcement parliament has had to listen to since the war—that the British government had decided to sever all relations with Russia.

By a curious coincidence it was Empire day, when the whole nation celebrates its loyalty and unity. Also by the chances of travel, Ramsay MacDonald, former labor premier, whose government it was which first recognized the soviet government, arrived just too late to hear the prime minister make his momentous statement, which was listened to in a tense silence by a crowded house and a large diplomatic gathering, including the German and Japanese ambassadors.

Raid Described

Describing how the missing document from the British war office had been photographed and sent to Moscow, Mr. Baldwin told of the police invasion of a photostall office in soviet house, which answered exactly the description previously given by the police and which was occupied by a senior clerk, Anton Miller, known to be connected with the activities of the secret agents.

This room, occupied by Miller, adjoined the private office of M. Khinchuk, head of the trade delegation. When the office was entered Miller was found burning secret documents.

Propaganda Alleged

The premier gave details of how men employed by the trade delegation were also secret soviet agents engaged in communicating information and instructions from the red international and red trade unions to communist organizations in England and America, all of the most recent date. He quoted letters and documents showing, as he said, that Arcos, Ltd., and the trade delegation had been habitually used as a clearing house for subversive correspondence, dealing with the "hands of China" movement, and the distribution of communistic propaganda in the United States.

OSTEOPATHS ASK CHANGE IN RULE

CHARGE DISCRIMINATION IN TEACHER PROVISIONS

Mandamus Action Planned Unless Request Granted, Says Dr. Lynch

Charging discrimination engendered by prejudice against the osteopathic profession on the part of the medical doctors, Dr. John L. Lynch and Dr. L. C. Marshall, local osteopaths, appeared last night before the school board and asked that the provision in the teacher's examination forms excluding osteopaths from giving examinations, be eliminated.

Under the state law, the representatives pointed out, osteopaths are given every right that the medical physicians have, such as signing death certificates. That there is also a drugless practitioner on the state board of medical examiners, it was pointed out. While conceding that insurance companies as a rule do not accept examinations given by osteopaths, Dr. Marshall stated that they were influenced strongly by the medical profession in this regard.

The Surgeon General of the United States also favors the medical profession unfairly, Dr. Marshall said.

Unless the school board would take some step to rescind the action, the intention is to institute mandamus proceedings to compel the change, Dr. Lynch stated.

The provision excluding osteopaths from giving examinations was put in at the recommendation of the Marion-Polk Medical society, for the best interests of the people and without any intention to discriminate. Chairman Olinde pointed out. Many people complained that osteopaths are not competent to give the examinations, he stated further.

No action was taken by the school board last night on the matter.



Top, telephoto of Charles A. Lindbergh shaking hands with Charles L. Lawrence, president of the Wright Aeronautical Corporation, as the young dare-devil aviator took off lone-handed, from Roosevelt Field, Long Island, N. Y., bound across the Atlantic ocean for Paris, France. Middle, view of Lindbergh's plane, "The Spirit of St. Louis" on a trial take-off. Below, a snapshot of the plane in the air on a preliminary flight.

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