

WEATHER FORECAST: Generally cloudy; moderate temperature; normal humidity; gentle westerly winds. Maximum temperature yesterday, 60; minimum, 43; river, 3; rainfall, 1.0 inches; atmosphere, cloudy; wind, southwest.

The Oregon Statesman

Of course the French government belongs to the League of Nations, but just the same the French have massed all of their best troops on the Italian frontier, indicating that they don't have as much faith in the league as do some of our own internationalists.

SEVENTY-SIXTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 27, 1927

PRICE FIVE CENTS

SOVIET BREACH WINS APPROVAL IN HOUSE VOTE

"Diplomatic Privileges Are Gravely Abused" Says Motion in Commons

DEBATE EXCITING

Labor Group's Move Questioning Ministry's Policy Argued; Act Will Not Abate Propaganda, Contended

LONDON, May 26.—(AP)—The British government's decision to break off diplomatic and trade relations with Russia, was approved by the house of commons tonight after an exciting debate, when the house by a vote of 357 to 111 adopted a motion to this effect moved by Gervais Rentoul, conservative. His motion was in the following terms: "That, while appreciating the long forbearance of his majesty's government and their many efforts to maintain friendly diplomatic relations with the Soviet republic in the face of acute provocation, applauds their decision to withdraw diplomatic privileges which have been so gravely abused, while at the same time putting no obstacles in the way of legitimate trading relations with Russia."

Labor Motion Beaten

This outcome was already made certain early in the debate, when Sir Austen Chamberlain, foreign secretary, announced the government's determination to defeat the labor motion, calling the ministerial policy in question and demanding an inquiry by a select committee into all the circumstances before such a grave decision was taken as a vote of censure. Further, the foreign secretary intimated that unless the ministers obtained a vote of confidence in their policy toward Russia it would resign and appeal to the country for a verdict.

J. R. Clynes, putting the labor case before the house, contended that Russia should not be condemned unheard and that the policy of the government was punishing would deprive Great Britain of valuable trade, but would not abate Russian propaganda. On the contrary, he said, it would be a first class advertisement for communism.

The labor resolution was as follows: "That, having heard the preliminary statement, this house is of the opinion that termination of trade agreements with Russia and severance of diplomatic relations

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MANY MAROONED BY BACKWATERS

FLOOD WATER SWEEPS OVER RAILROAD EMBANKMENT

Hundreds Remain in Threatened Area; 200 Square Miles Inundated

NEW ORLEANS, May 26.—(AP)—Hundreds of persons in the upper tip of Pointe Coupee parish were marooned tonight by backwaters from the McCrea crevasse on the east bank of the Atchafalaya river as sweeping torrents streamed over a railroad embankment on which they had relied for protection.

Failure to heed flood warnings kept the residents in the district until the backwaters became threatening. Hundreds of persons were brought out today on the last train operated by the Texas and Pacific railroad, but it left other hundreds, unable to leave except by boat. Waist deep water poured over the railroad embankment a half mile north of Morganza as the train left.

The McCrea crevasse is approximately 130 miles northwest of New Orleans on the opposite side of the Mississippi river. The rapid spread of the flood brought consternation to many who had remained in the threatened area, confident that their homes would not be flooded.

An estimated 200 square miles had been covered in Pointe Coupee since the crevasse occurred and the flood waters began spreading rapidly.

Lafayette, Bachelor and other settlements from 10 to 20 miles from the break were disappearing as they had been flooded. A six foot rise has been shown in the last 24 hours along the Texas and Pacific railroad embankment at Ravenswood.

Refugees continued to arrive at Lafayette concentration camp from the Evangeline country, although in diminishing numbers as evacuation of the area is fairly complete. More than 17,000 already were at Lafayette today.

GOOD YEAR SEEN FOR WILLAMETTE

PRESIDENT DONEY REVIEWS PROGRESS, ASKS MORE

Advises Students to Stay Away if They Aren't Proud of Alma Mater

Summing up the scholastic year now ending as one of progress and success along many lines, Dr. Carl Greg Doney, president of Willamette university, outlined further improvements which he expects to see carried out next year in the university's arrangements and activities in an address to the students at Thursday's chapel exercises.

One of the most important innovations will be "freshman week" a plan under which the new students will arrive several days prior to the time for registering upper classmen, and will be given a helpful introduction to university life.

In this connection, Dr. Doney expressed the hope that violent methods of showing the freshmen their place, will be reduced to a minimum.

The scholastic year 1926-27 has been one of success in athletics, with the victory bell ringing much more frequently than it has for several years, in forensics, and in the work of the school publications, the president declared.

Progress has also been made in scholarship, he asserted.

Work of the Christian associations and religious life on the campus has been good, but President Doney expressed the hope that this phase of the university's life would be further enriched, particularly with respect to the chapel exercises.

He specifically urged all students who are not satisfied with Willamette and proud to be members of its student group, to refrain from enrolling next year.

LAWS IN EFFECT SOON

Acts of 1927 Legislature Go Into Operation Saturday

PORTLAND, May 26.—(AP)—All laws enacted by the 1927 legislature will take effect Saturday with the exception of such as became immediately operative by the emergency clause of such as have been referred to the people for approval or rejection at the special election on June 28.

Among the more important legislative changes is the law regulating speed on state highways, increasing the limit from 30 to 35 miles an hour. Another change, of importance in penal procedure, is the law under which conviction of a felony four times results automatically in a life sentence.

Most of the new motor legislation is of a remedial nature, with the certificate of title law, the light law and the so-called "peddler" tax amended.

Every state department, high and low, is affected by the law making the board of control the purchasing agent for all state activities.

PLANS EARLY VACATION

Coolidge to Leave June 13 for Camp in South Dakota

WASHINGTON, May 26.—(AP)—President Coolidge expects to leave Washington Monday, June 13, for his summer residence—probably in the Black Hills of South Dakota—stopping off at Hammond, Ind., June 14 to speak at park exercises.

The address in Hammond will be delivered at the dedication of the memorial park there under the auspices of the Wicker Park memorial committee. He will speak at 2:30 p. m., and proceed westward immediately afterward.

Mr. Coolidge is leaving Washington earlier than in past summers, but the advancement to June 11 of the budget meeting which he always addresses clears the books of any engagement which would necessitate his presence here.

RELIEF FUND MOUNTS

Boys Training School at Woodburn Gives Sum Yesterday

The Willamette district fund for the relief of flood victims is growing slowly according to Dr. Henry E. Morris, chairman. It has now reached the \$2686 stage exclusive of the proceeds of the American Legion minstrel show.

The outstanding contribution yesterday came from the boys' training school at Woodburn. They sent in \$29. Several smaller sums were received.

BUTCHEK PLEA COMING

Portland Attorney Will Ask Clemency for Wife Slayer

John Cassidy, Portland attorney will appear before Governor Patterson here today and urge that the death sentence imposed upon John Butchek, wife-slayer, be commuted to life imprisonment. Butchek is scheduled to be hanged early in June for the murder of his wife in Portland.

FILING PERIOD FOR ELECTION CLOSES TODAY

Two Referendum Petitions on Newly Enacted Laws May Be Submitted

10 MEASURES AT ISSUE

Property Assessment and Nestucca Closing Laws May Be Attacked; Income Tax Amendment Listed

Referendum measures which are to go on the ballot at the special state election June 28 must be filed with the state department by tonight, Secretary of State Sam A. Kozar has announced.

Reports received at the state department indicated that petitions were being circulated for referendum measures attacking at least two laws approved by the 1927 legislature.

Taxing Bill Attacked

One of these laws was known as house bill 72, and was the subject of several spirited debates during the legislative session. This law gives to county assessors and the state tax commission additional powers in securing information in connection with levying property assessments.

The referendum attack on the property assessment law is being sponsored by L. B. Smith of Oregon association. The law originally carried the emergency clause, but the supreme court held recently that it was subject to referendum attack.

Nestucca Law Issue

Another referendum measure, for which petitions were said to be in circulation, would attack house bill 282, which provided for closing the Nestucca river to commercial fishing. Commercial fishermen operating on this stream were said to have the petitions in.

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THREE SEEK CONVENTION

Honolulu Among Cities Aspiring to Entertain Leagueurs

PORTLAND, May 26.—(AP)—Buffalo, Philadelphia and Honolulu delegates to the conference here of the Association of Junior Leagues of America were trying to capture the next annual gathering for their home cities. Selection will be made tomorrow.

Mrs. Foskett Brown of Nashville, Tenn., today led a discussion on publicity. It was recommended that each league appoint a publicity committee.

FIRE MARSHALS CLUB ORGANIZED

YOUTHS HONORED FOR PROTECTION WORK IN STATE

Seven Charter Members Enrolled, More Boys and Girls Eligible, Says Officer

Organization of the Oregon Junior State Fire Marshal's club, with seven members enrolled, was announced here Thursday by Clarence Lee, state fire marshal. Miss Rachel Bayne has been appointed secretary of the club, while James Goodman, deputy state insurance commissioner, is president.

All boys and girls in the state who save life or property in connection with a fire are eligible for membership in the club.

The seven members now enrolled in the club include Walter Durham, 592 Albina avenue, Portland; Jack Moller, 591 Albina avenue, Portland; Austin Foss and Jimmy Noonan of Moro, and Robert George, Andrew Billy and Fermore Crane, all of the Klamath Indian agency in Klamath county.

It was said that George Billy and Crane rescued a number of girls from a dormitory which was burned on the Indian reservation a few months ago. Durham and Moller prevented a dwelling fire, while Noonan and Foss extinguished a brush and grass fire in Portland.

Letters notifying the seven boys that they have been enrolled as members of the club have been sent out by the state fire marshal. It was said that seven other boys and girls are eligible for membership, but their names have not yet been announced.

WILL DRAW NEW VENIRE

100 to Be Called for DeAutremont Trial Opening June 6

MEDFORD, Ore., May 26.—(AP)—Drawing of a venire of 100 for the second trial of Hugh DeAutremont, which is to begin June 6, was ordered today. The state will be represented with the same legal force as at the first trial with George M. Roberts as special prosecutor, United States District Attorney George Neuner, and District Attorney Newton C. Chamey.

Fred L. Smith and John L. Collier of counsel for DeAutremont, objects to the trial being set for June 6, contending that their understanding that the trial would be postponed until September caused them to make arrangements for other court cases in Eugene and Portland. They hinted that other defense counsel would have to be obtained.

DeAutremont will be tried again on the charge of murdering Charles O. Johnson, one of the four trainmen slain in a holdup of a Southern Pacific train in the Siskiyou mountains October 11, 1925. His twin brothers, Ray and Roy, jointly accused with him, have never been captured.

FEDERATION ENDS MEET

Eugene and Klamath Falls Seek Next State Convention

BEND, May 26.—(AP)—The cities of Eugene and Klamath Falls have issued invitations to the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs for the 1928 convention it was announced here today. The executive board of the federation, however, will not decide on the meeting place until later.

The annual convention closed here today with Thomas H. Gentle of Monmouth delivering the main address. The delegates took a trip to the Suttle Lake district.

CHERRY HEARING SET FOR JUNE 28

OREGON GROWERS ASKED TO ATTEND AT WASHINGTON

Higher Protective Tariff Asked; Local People Greatly Interested

PORTLAND, May 26.—(AP)—A Washington, D. C. dispatch, to the Oregonian says that Oregon cherry growers have been invited by the United States tariff commission to send representatives to Washington to attend the hearing June 28 in connection with the cost investigations of cherry production now being conducted under the commission's direction.

Pacific coast growers had requested an increase in the present tariff rate of two cents a pound on cherries, natural sulphured or in brine, in order that they might better meet foreign competition.

This announcement refers especially to cherry growers in the Salem district, who have been leaders in the move to have the cherry tariff increased. The Salem Cherry Growers association recently presented figures at a hearing here, as to the cost of growing the fruit here. Representatives of the tariff commission took the testimony.

Senator C. L. McNary and the congressmen from Western Oregon also have taken an active interest in this move, together with the Salem chamber of commerce.

Whether or not representatives would be sent by the local association could not be learned this morning.

STANFORD LIVED HERE

Served as Secretary to Supreme Court Justice Two Years

BURTON Leland Stanford who was arrested in Florida yesterday charged with absconding with securities belonging to the United States National bank of Portland, lived in Salem from 1910 to 1912, inclusive. He was secretary to Chief Justice Moore of the state supreme court. His wife, who he married in Salem, is a member of a pioneer family. Stanford's father was for many years engaged in the mercantile business in Salem.

Stanford is a graduate of Willamette law school. Upon leaving Salem he located at Joseph.

HERE COMES THE GROOM



THREE STATES UNITE TO URGE NEW RAILROAD

Line From Homestead to Lewiston and Clarkston Asked in Complaint

COMMITTEE ORGANIZED

Area Larger Than Many States Entirely Without Rail Transportation, Shown; Markets Waiting

LEWISTON, Idaho, May 26.—(AP)—Representatives of the public utilities commissions of Washington, Oregon and Idaho, forming an executive committee for promotion of a railroad from Homestead, Or., to Lewiston, Idaho and Clarkston, met here today and agreed upon a form of complaint to be filed with the interstate commerce commission by these three states.

The meeting was attended by Judge J. C. Denney, director of public works of the state of Washington; James P. Neal, legal adviser of the department of public works; H. H. Corey, member of the public service commission of Oregon; and W. H. Gibson, chairman of the public utilities commission of Idaho.

A general committee representing the various communities was organized and at the conclusion of the meeting the representatives of the three public service bodies authorized the following statement quoted in part: "To the public: "In eastern Oregon, eastern Washington and central Idaho there is, as you know, an area larger than many states that is entirely without railroad transportation. This district contains considerable agricultural land, some timber, and vast mining resources which are undeveloped by reason of lack of transportation.

TWO SHOT; MAN DYING

Turns Gun on Himself When Hotel Proprietor Enters

MARSHFIELD, Or., May 26.—(AP)—Ralph Morgan, Portland, late today shot Mrs. Harry Hull of Portland and then turned his revolver on himself, inflicting a wound from which hospital attendants say he will die. Mrs. Hull is in a serious condition. The bullet struck her in the back of the head. Morgan shot himself in the temple.

Morgan had lured Mrs. Hull into his room under the pretense of discussing an offer he had made of securing work for her in the restaurant he contemplated buying, the woman said.

After he had made advances which she spurned, and as she was attempting to get out of the room, Morgan fired at her, the bullet striking her in the neck.

William Shoup, one of the owners of the hotel, broke down the door and as he did so Morgan turned the revolver on himself.

INJURED YOUTH BETTER

Ralph Kinzer Expected to Leave Hospital in Few Days

Ralph Kinzer, 1860 North Summer street, high school senior who suffered concussion of the brain Wednesday when he fell from the back end of an automobile, will be out of the Willamette sanitarium in a few days, it was reported yesterday by Dr. R. Cartwright, attending physician. After a long period of unconsciousness Wednesday night, he showed great improvement yesterday.

Kinzer was bounced from the rear of a car driven by Alden Adolph, 240 North 14th, when the boys were returning from the senior class picnic at Taylor's grove.

WOMAN LEAPS TO DEATH

Victim of Ross Island Bridge Tragedy Identified

PORTLAND, May 26.—(AP)—A woman who leaped from the Ross Island bridge and ended her life this morning, was identified late today as Mrs. Elsie Weir, 32. She was despondent over financial difficulties, her husband said. They have no children.

The second violent death of the day occurred an hour after Mrs. Weir jumped to her death when J. Eilsberg, a furniture store employe, shot himself in the head.

MUSHROOMS ENDANGER 4

Entire Family Taken to Hospital Suffering From Poison

PORTLAND, May 26.—(AP)—Suffering from the effects of a luncheon of poisonous mushrooms, an entire family was taken to the county hospital here today. They were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Riker and their two children, Mary Ellen, 5, and Roy, 3 years old. Mrs. Riker and the girl were said to be in a dangerous condition. Riker and the boy are seriously ill.

PARDON GRANTED TO LEO ROBERTS

FOUR MONTHS OF YEAR SENTENCE SERVED BY MAN

Petition Signed by Judge, Attorney, Eight Jurors and Citizens

Leo Roberts who was serving a term of one year in the Oregon state penitentiary for manslaughter in connection with the slaying of John Macomber at Dallas on January 4 of this year, was released from the institution yesterday following issuance of a conditional pardon by Governor Patterson.

The pardon was recommended by the district attorney who prosecuted the defendant, the trial judge and eight of the 12 members of the jury. A petition also was received at the executive department bearing the signature of more than 500 residents of the Dallas vicinity. Mr. Roberts was received at the prison Jan. 27.

Evidence introduced at the trial indicated that Mr. Roberts had accused Mr. Macomber of stealing his umbrella. Macomber was said to have resented the inference and went to Roberts' home where he demanded an explanation. A verbal altercation followed. The testimony showed that Roberts fired the shot that killed Macomber as the latter started to leave the Roberts home. Mrs. Roberts subsequently declared that she fired the fatal shot, but her statement was not accepted seriously by the prosecuting officials who said she was hysterical.

Mr. Roberts has a wife and four children, one of the children being ill, and all needing a husband's and father's help and care.

The pardon was taken to the prison by members of Mr. Roberts' family, and there was a happy reunion.

There is little doubt but the average citizen might have acted as did Mr. Roberts under the circumstances. Any way, the people who know him best and understand all the surroundings and circumstances, joined in the petition for his release and will be pleased with the action of the governor in granting it.

JERSEY CATTLE SHOWING HELD

63 Thoroughbreds Among Entries by 22 Marion County Exhibitors

KEEN INTEREST TAKEN

Salem Business Men Assure Cattlemen of Support in Efforts to Improve Stock; Congratulate On Success

The annual Marion County Jersey Cattle Club show closed yesterday afternoon with the announcement of prizes. A total of 63 thoroughbred entries were listed, all of which were judged by Professor William Regan, of the University of California. Twenty-two exhibitors participated in the event which was held at the State fair grounds.

During the afternoon addresses were made by C. P. Bishop, Charles Archerd, Ivan Louguary, and Henry Crawford. Bishop and Archerd assured the exhibitors that the business men of Salem were thoroughly interested in the annual show, and because of the scarcity of good cattle emphasized the value of the competition to stir up interest in cattle raising.

QUALITY PRAISED

Louguary, who is a member of the fair board extended the courtesy of the grounds to the cattlemen, and Henry Crawford, who is Western representative of the Jersey cattle people, made the chief address of the day, congratulating the people sponsoring the show on the quality of the entries.

M. G. Gunderson won the Marion county bankers' cups for the grand champion bull, Eagles Buster Boy, and Grand Champion female, Eagles Pollyanna.

MORE SHOWS PLANNED

Today the Clackamas county show will be held at Canby, followed by the Willamette valley show next Saturday at the fair grounds stadium, in which champions of five counties will compete for prizes.

Counties in which the shows have already been held are Yamhill, Linn, Polk. Sixty three exhibitors probably will enter their champions at the valley show Saturday.

The awards are as follows: Three year old bull—First, John Fick, Woodburn, with Editha Oxford Rinda Lad. Two year old bull—First, J. A. Kramer, Silverton, with Eagles Spotted Boy; second, Warren Gray Marion, with Graymere Gambore. Senior yearling bull—First, S. J. Smith & Son, St. Paul; second, Hansen & Anderson, Turley. Junior yearling bull—First, E. O. Loe, Silverton; second Samuel Torvend, Silverton; third, John Fick, Woodburn; fourth, M. G. Gunderson, Silverton.

Senior bull calf—First, M. G. Gunderson; second Guy Looney, Salem; third, John Fick, Woodburn.

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LINDBERGH SAYS HE WON'T ENTER

WILL TRY NO MORE DISTANCE FLIGHTS FOR A YEAR

Arnold and Chamberlin Planning to Attempt Pacific Non-Stop Flight

PARIS, May 26.—(AP)—Capt. Charles A. Lindbergh is not interested personally in any long distance flights, and won't be for a year at least, he told the Associated Press tonight.

His statement was made in connection with news of the proposed competition for a \$25,000 prize for the first flight between the United States and Honolulu. "Of course," he added, "I will be interested in any one making the flight, that goes without saying."

LOS ANGELES, May 26.—Lieut. Leslie Arnold, one of the American round-the-world fliers, today announced he probably would attempt a non-stop airplane flight from Los Angeles to Hawaii and return some time in August.

A final meeting with his backers at which time contracts are to be signed, will be held tomorrow, Arnold said.

MITCHELL FIELD, N. Y., May 26.—Clarence D. Chamberlin, pilot of the Bellanca monoplane "Columbia" today said that he was "interested" in the flight to Hawaii, proposed by James P. Dole. He said that his plans were indefinite and that he is considering other flights.

"We cannot make the Hawaiian flight until August 15, and there is no telling what we will do in the meantime," he added.

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HOWARD TO BE SPEAKER

Memorial Day Program at Armory Now Being Arranged

C. A. Howard, state superintendent of public instruction, will be the principal speaker of the Memorial day services at the Armory next Monday afternoon, it was announced yesterday.

Other details of the program have not yet been developed and will be announced later. The remainder of the program probably will consist largely of music arranged by some of the daughters of the American Revolution.

MUSIC TEACHERS MEET

Over 100 Gather in Eugene for 12th Annual Convention

EUGENE, May 26.—(AP)—More than a hundred music teachers from all parts of Oregon, were gathered here today for the 12th annual convention of the Oregon State Music Teachers' association which opened for a two day session here today.

By tomorrow morning 150 are expected to be in attendance. A large caravan of automobiles of Portland teachers came in this morning for the meeting.

WOODBURN CITIZEN DIES

F. X. Beck Was Prominent Merchant and City Councilman

WOODBURN, Or., May 26.—(AP)—F. X. Beck, 59, prominent merchant and member of the city council, died suddenly tonight. He operated a clothing store here and owned another store in Klamath Falls, managed by his son. Mr. Beck is survived by his widow, and by three daughters and two sons.