

# The Oregon Statesman

WEATHER FORECAST: Generally cloudy; normal temperature; moderate west and northwest winds on the coast. Maximum temperature yesterday, 74; minimum, 43; river, 3.1; atmosphere, clear; wind west.

Who remembers the old days when every town had a section which could be identified as the silk stockings ward?  
The American aviators who remained in the air 51 hours didn't break the records of some of the politicians.—Indianapolis News.

SEVENTY-SIXTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 1, 1927

PRICE FIVE CENTS

## BIDS REJECTED ON PAVING; NEW PLANS OFFERED

### City May Purchase Second Mixer or Operate Present One Two Shifts

## OFFERS SAID TOO HIGH

### City Able to Do Work Cheaper Than in 1926, But Contractors' Figures Call for Increased Unit Cost

Two new possibilities loom for expediting paving of streets in the city as a result of the summary rejection last night of all bids submitted in response to the recent call. The methods considered feasible by certain members of the ways and means committee and the street improvement committee meeting in joint session are the purchase of a new smaller sized mixer or running the present mixer on a 16-hour shift instead of eight as at present.

### Bids Too High

As pointed out by the Statesman May 21, the bids recently submitted by five private contractors were found to be too high to warrant the risks connected with contract labor. After comparing the bids with the actual cost of representative jobs in 1925 and 1926, Watson Townsend, chairman of the street improvement committee, found that only one project bid was low, the others ranging around 10 per cent higher than the estimated cost of the work done by the city.

Furthermore, it is pointed out, the city, with a lower rate on gravel, will be able to do the work cheaper this year than last year, making another element of difference in the cost.

### Foresee Objection

Opposition in many quarters would have developed, some of the committee thought, if the work had been given out on contract, as great numbers of people are opposed to having private concerns do the paving which they petitioned for in the understanding that the city would do the work.

The proposal of a Portland firm to do the street paving for the city for the cost of labor plus 15 per cent was considered. The city

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## CLARION ANNUAL ISSUED AT SHS

### DON DECKEBACH, EDITOR; DEDICATED TO HUNTINGTON

### "Vanity Fair" Section and Art Work Unusual Features of 1927 Book

Distribution of the 1927 Clarion Annual of Salem high school began yesterday afternoon, when 700 copies were placed on sale at the high school building. The editor is Don Dekebach and the managing committee consists of Don Dekebach, Robert Bishop and Marvin Headrick.

Some of the new features of this year's book, which is said by many who have examined it to be the best ever published at Salem high, are the Vanity Fair section, featuring Miss Betty Whipple and Miss Maxine Myers; the new arrangement of faculty section, the pictorial section featuring Salem winter scenes and the art work with drawings by Robert Alexander, Salem high senior.

A two-color effect, carrying out the Salem high colors, red and black, is maintained throughout the book, producing striking effects in the inserts, which are carried out in an Indian motif throughout.

The book is dedicated to Hollis Huntington, Salem high athletic coach for the last five years, who will not be back next year. The staff has entered the Clarion Annual in the state high school annual contest sponsored yearly by a national journalistic fraternity at OAC. The Clarion Annual already has taken three firsts in previous years, having been judged best in 1923, 1925 and 1926 and being judged third place in 1926. This year's Clarion Annual was printed in The Oregon Statesman printing department.

## FLOOD DISASTER MAY BE GREATER

### CROWDER TELLS OF FEAR FOR NEW ORLEANS

### Belief Expressed by Minister That Mexico Will Soon Become Mighty Nation

That the city of New Orleans might be swept out unless levees above are broken out is the fear of people in that district, according to Rev. U. S. Crowder, formerly of Salem, who returned to the city a few days ago from Texas, where he has been for some time. Rev. Crowder addressed Kiwanians yesterday at the weekly luncheon.

"When I was standing in a hotel lobby in New Orleans, I heard the chief government engineer express fear for the safety of New Orleans to Secretary Herbert Hoover," said Rev. Crowder. At the site of Vicksburg, the Mississippi is thirty miles wide, where normally it is only three-quarters of a mile, Rev. Crowder said. Dead people are picked up every day in the devastated area, and hundreds of head of livestock float down the river in bunches.

Rev. Crowder, who recently visited Mexico, stated that President Calles, in the present administration, is doing a great work and in 10 or 12 years there will be a mighty republic there. Contrary to general belief, there is no religious issue in Mexico, he said.

## EXAMINATION ORDERED

### Question of Butchek's Sanity to Be Probed by Alienists

Governor Patterson Tuesday sent a letter to Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the Oregon state hospital, instructing him and his assistants to conduct a mental examination of John Butchek of Portland, who is under death sentence for the slaying of his wife.

The examination was requested by John Kaste, Portland attorney, who held a conference with the governor here Saturday in connection with the case. Mr. Kaste said it was his opinion that Butchek was insane at the time he committed the murder.

The execution of Butchek has been set for June 10 in the Oregon state penitentiary. Records in the case showed that Butchek killed his wife by beating her on the head with a hatchet.

## LARK OREGON'S CHOICE

### Official State Bird Selected by School Children

PORTLAND, May 31.—(AP)—The meadow lark will be known as the state bird of Oregon, it was announced tonight by the Oregon Audubon society, sponsor of a contest among school children of the state to select a feathered candidate for the honor. An unofficial estimate gave the meadow lark 40,000 of the 75,000 votes cast.

An official check of the votes will be made June 7 by the board of directors of the Audubon society. When the canvass is complete, the board will request Governor Patterson to designate the winner as the Oregon state bird.

The bluebird ran second in the race, receiving approximately 20,000 votes, and the varied thrush third. Other contestants were the white crowned sparrow, the song sparrow and the junco.

## 13 DEAD IN KENTUCKY

### Storm Takes Three Lives in Virginia and Tennessee Each

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 31.—(A.P.)—Three deaths reported today increased to thirteen the known dead in the cloudburst and storms in the Kentucky mountains Sunday night and Monday.

Three each in Tennessee and Virginia made the total nineteen. Several also were reported missing in Kentucky.

Dr. T. B. Bailey, whose mother, wife and son were drowned Sunday night as they fled from their home, died today of shock and injuries.

## N. P. RAILROAD COMMITS SELF TO EXTENSION

### Oregon Trunk Files Acceptance of I. C. C. Condition for New Line

## WORK ALREADY STARTED

### Last Uncertainty Removed in Long Projected Construction from Bend South to Klamath Falls, Oregon

PORTLAND, May 31.—(AP)—The Northern Pacific railroad, joint owner of the Oregon Trunk, has permitted the Oregon Trunk to commit herself definitely to the extension into the Klamath basin. This was confirmed locally by W. F. Turner, president of the Spokane, Portland and Seattle line and the Oregon Trunk road.

The Oregon Trunk's acceptance of the interstate commerce commission's latest decision is looked upon as definitely terminating the long standing controversy over that line's proposed invasion of the Southern Pacific's territory.

### Right Extended

The decision in question granted the right to the Oregon Trunk to build its own line from Bend, Ore., to Klamath Falls, Ore., although the commission urged that joint trackage negotiations with the Southern Pacific be continued in order to avoid, as far as possible, duplication of existing railway facilities.

Whether the Northern Pacific will figure as a co-partner in the extension enterprise, or allow the Great Northern to assume full responsibility, could not be learned tonight.

Construction operations were actually begun several days ago and

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## THREE WILL GRADUATE

### Commencement to Be Held on June 5, 6, 7, at Kimball

Henry Cross, Oliver Gill, and Leroy Walker were recommended to the board of trustees of Kimball school of theology for graduation at a faculty meeting of the school, held Tuesday afternoon. Cross and Gill are to receive diplomas, and Walker, who is a graduate of Willamette university, will receive the degree of bachelor of divinity. Commencement exercises will be held June 5, 6 and 7.

## TWO MEN KILLED IN RAID ON JAIL

### EIGHTEEN INJURED; TROOPS ORDERED TO SHOOT

### Mob Plans Search for B. F. Levins, Confessed Slayer of Five Persons

TAMPA, Fla., June 1.—(A.P.)—Two men are known to have been killed and eighteen wounded in fighting between State troopers and members of a mob surrounding the Hillsborough county jail up to one o'clock this morning.

TAMPA, Fla., May 31.—(A.P.)—Eleven men were wounded here tonight when a detachment of national guardsmen patrolling the vicinity of the Hillsborough county jail fired into a mob which attempted to rush them.

The militiamen had been on duty since early today when they quelled a riot of several hours' duration at the jail, growing out of the attempt of a mob of several hundred persons to search the structure for C. F. Levins, confessed slayer of five persons. It was the third night in succession that a mob had appeared.

Late tonight a large crowd congregated just outside an area two blocks in each direction, which had been roped off to prevent any approach to the jail. While mounted troops were in the midst of a sortie to scatter the groups, a portion of the crowd dashed for a squad of 16 national guard troopers marching on patrol outside the ropes. The mob was ordered back and when it failed to halt, the soldiers emptied their pistols into the advancing ranks.

Orders were given the militiamen to shoot to kill if any further

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## FALLS OVERBOARD, LOST

### Aberdeen Woman Thrown From Trolling Vessel's Deck

ASTORIA, May 31.—(AP)—Mrs. Louise Anna Judge, 23, of Aberdeen, Wash., fell overboard from the trolling boat Marathon during a trip from Eureka, Cal., to Astoria, Captain P. E. Secor of the Marathon reported today on the boat's arrival here.

Mrs. Judge and her blind husband were passengers aboard the boat. They had been warned to stay below because the vessel was pitching in heavy seas, Captain Secor said, but had gone on deck.

Secor came on deck to warn the couple to go below, but found that Mrs. Judge had disappeared. Her husband, standing nearby, was unaware of her disappearance. The boat was put about and a search made, but no trace of the woman was seen.

## AMERICAN LEGION POST ORGANIZED

### GEORGE DUNCAN ELECTED COMMANDER OF NEW POST

### Installation of Officers to Be on June 13 With General Celebration

STAYTON, May 31.—(Special)—Coming as a general surprise, Stayton was placed on the American Legion map tonight when Stayton Post No. 58 was organized with 15 members. The new post, which promises to be one of the most lively in the state, elected officers as follows:

Commander, George Duncan; vice commander, William Swift; post adjutant, David Johns; finance officer, James Hix. The charter members of the post are J. A. Hix, Laurence Pietrock, Phillip Pietrock, George Boedigher, Henry Rauscher, John Gries, Lester Smith, Joseph M. Donahue, Hugh Wietman, William Swift, Joseph Spaniol, D. M. Doll, Walter J. Herd, Alfred Martin and Glen Fox.

This first session of the post was called to order by Irl S. McSherry, district executive committee member who congratulated the Stayton ex-service men for their progressive spirit in establishing Oregon's newest Legion post.

Mr. McSherry called attention to the growing interest in the Legion membership drive and to the growing list in District No. 2, which comprises Marion, Polk, Tillamook, Washington and Yamhill counties. This district is now over the top with a good promise of a 125 per cent membership of 2300.

The second speaker of the evening was H. R. White, chairman of publicity, Capital Post No. 9, Salem. Mr. White told of the work in the Legion where the membership is nearing the thousand mark, the highest in the history of the post.

He urged Stayton members to lose no time in establishing an auxiliary, asserting that the ladies of the Legion were invaluable in helping in all Legion activities.

The June 13th meeting of the new post will be an open session with a general celebration and in-

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## SUNNYSIDE HOME ROBBED

### Thefts May Hold Clue to Whereabouts of Fugitives

Robbery of a home in the Sunnyside district, reported to the sheriff's office Tuesday, may hold a clue to the whereabouts of one of two youthful fugitives from state institutions, H. C. Park, who escaped from the penitentiary last Wednesday, or a boy who left the State training school about the same time. Among the articles taken were a suit of clothes and a .22 caliber rifle.

## BIG RECEPTION FOR LINDBERGH COOLIDGE PLAN

### Cabinet Committee at Work; Early Return Sought, Cruiser Offered

## KING GEORGE WELCOMES

### England's Royal Leader Pins Air Force Cross On Aviator's Breast; Prince Of Wales Adds Greeting

WASHINGTON, May 31.—(AP)—Somewhat at sea because it does not know exactly how and when Captain Charles A. Lindbergh will return to the United States, cabinet committee appointed by President Coolidge today set about planning a national celebration for the New York-to-Paris flier.

The first act of the committee, which includes the four cabinet members who are concerned with aviation—Secretaries Davis of the war department, Wilbur, Hoover and Postmaster General New—was to cable Lindbergh an offer to return direct to Washington on the cruiser Memphis, instead of the destroyer Brock, which previously had been placed at his disposal.

The invitation to use the larger and speedier ship was extended in the hope that the aviator could

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## PERMITS SHOW INCREASE

### Forty-Seven Permits Issued In May For New Dwellings

Building permits for May barely eked out an increase over April according to a comparison made at the city recorder's office. The total for May was 64 permits involving \$245,825.00, while April showed \$245,750.00 on 61 permits, a difference of \$75.00.

The \$50,000 permit issued to the State Hospital for some repairs on a brick structure in May was offset in April by \$50,000 for the erection of the A. C. Nelson building at 311 North Liberty street, and the months showed similarity all the way through.

Forty seven permits were issued in May to erect new dwellings, involving \$157,000. 2 concrete structures, \$23,500; 1 billboard, \$75; 1 garage, \$300; and one factory, \$1500. 12 permits were secured for alterations and repairs amounting to \$63,450.00.

## "SEA DEVIL" ON VISIT

### Count Felix Von Luckner Expresses Germany's Good Will

PORTLAND, May 31.—(AP)—"The Sea Devil" in war times and good will ambassador extraordinary in peace times—so was Count Felix Von Luckner characterized today when he arrived on board the German auxiliary schooner Vaterland on a mission of friendship.

"You conquered my country in the great war," said the famous German sea raider, who ran the British blockade in a sailing vessel and sank 19 allied ships without losing one of his men or putting to death one of his enemies.

"The war is over and I am here to conquer your hearts and to win your respect for my fatherland."

Such is the inspiration that led Count von Luckner to employ his personal fortune and the funds furnished by the school children of Germany to fit out his expedition, bound on a two year cruise around the world.

## FLOOD DEATH TOTAL 114

### Possibility of More Seen; Arkansas Hardest Hit With 59

WASHINGTON, May 31.—(AP)—The known death toll of the Mississippi valley flood was placed tonight by the Red Cross at 114 persons. There may be more, it announced, these figures including only definitely known casualties reported to relief headquarters from all areas.

The list by states includes Arkansas 59, Illinois 2, Mississippi 42, Louisiana 9 and Tennessee 2. The Red Cross also announced in its recapitulation, which was the first complete statistical report covering relief operations from early in April to May 28, that it had aided a total of 568,359 persons in the flood zone.

## PRUNE MARKET PLAN PROPOSED

### MODIFICATION OF PARKER SYSTEM FAVORED

### Departs Radically from California Procedure; Vote Due Today

CORVALLIS, May 31.—(AP)—The recommendation of the committee of five for a modified Parker plan of prune marketing was presented late today by R. H. Kipp, head of the marketing committee of the Portland chamber of commerce, to the organization committee of the Prune Growers convention in session here.

The plan outlined is a radical departure from the California plan and calls for all present prune co-operatives to be represented by two directors on the central sales board of nine members. On this board the present independents would be represented by two, and the packers by four members, the ninth to be selected by these eight.

Under the compromise the four existing cooperative organizations represented 35 per cent of the production would continue to pack, sell and distribute as they do now, with the packers handling the tonnage of the present independents.

A paragraph by paragraph discussion of the plans was under way tonight with the final recommendation scheduled to come before the assembly sometime tomorrow.

Grower delegates and packer and other representatives were present early and in force so that the

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## JANNEY TO TRY FLIGHT

### Canadian Would Cross Atlantic, Taking Only Radio Man

OTTAWA, ONT., May 31.—(AP)—Captain E. L. Janney, 34-year-old Canadian flying ace, announced tonight that he would fly from Ottawa on the morning of June 30 in an attempt to make a non-stop flight to London, England.

Captain Janney explained that he would make the flight as a part of Canada's jubilee celebration, hoping to arrive in London the following evening, Dominion day. He said he would have a companion in the person of a radio operator who would take no part in the operation of the plane.

## RUNS IN FRONT OF AUTO

### Little Craven Girl Hit by Tender and Slightly Injured

Little Ethel Craven, 1245 Waller street, was bruised yesterday afternoon when she ran in front of a car driven by John Creech, 180 South 14th street, to catch a piece of paper. The front fender of the car struck the little girl and threw her away from the wheels.

In his report to the police station, Creech said he could not have been traveling more than 20 miles per hour when the accident happened. Several children were playing on the street, and it was his belief that the girl ran in front without seeing him coming.

## OPPOSE MILITARY DRILL

### Congregational Council Asks Congress To Find Remedy

OMAHA, Neb., May 31.—(AP)—Believing that compulsory military training in schools and colleges "fosters a general attitude conducive to militarism and sole reliance on force," the resolutions committee of the national council of Congregational churches, tonight, in a report to the council, demanded congressional action to remedy it.

Such training, the resolutions read, "gives ground for other nations to question the peaceful purposes of the United States."

It condemned compulsory military drill in public schools or in tax-supported or land grant institutions of higher learning.

## START EQUIPPING CAMP

### Carload of Supplies to Arrive Today; Work Progressing

## NORTHERN COLLAPSE REPORTED

### Anxiety Felt for Safety of American Citizens in Peking Vicinity

## LEGATION MOVE NOW DISCUSSED

### Despatching of Marines From Islands Considered

## ADMIT RETREAT

### Other Powers Reported Planning to Send Expeditionary Troops to Chinese Cities; Warnings Sent Out

WASHINGTON, May 31.—(AP)—With anxiety over the safety of American citizens and diplomatic officials in northern China revived by news of the collapse of the northern Chinese attack south of the Yellow river, the Washington administration is considering removal of the American legation from Peking to a more easily defended point, possibly Tientsin.

Despatch of American marines from Shanghai and possibly the Philippines to Tientsin also is under consideration and there developed little indication today that the reported plan to send marines under command of Brigadier General Butler at Shanghai to Tientsin to form an allied brigade for defence of that point would be objected to here.

Flight Reported

With the northern Chinese army reported in flight from Honan and Anhwei provinces to the north bank of the Yellow river, before the onrush of the southern nationalists, it is felt by President Coolidge that the Peking legation, because of its general inaccessibility, should be moved to Tientsin and that remaining Americans in north China should be concentrated there according to prearranged plans.

No official confirmation was obtainable in Washington today of the conclusion reported to have been reached by allied command-

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## FRIENDS MOURN PLANE'S VICTIM

### EARL KILPATRICK POPULAR AS PRINCIPAL HERE

### Took Great Interest in Students and in All Local Activities

News stories of the death of Earl Kilpatrick in an airplane accident while serving as assistant director of Mississippi flood relief work, have recalled to the minds of hundreds of Salem people the work which Kilpatrick did while serving as principal of the Salem high school in 1912 and 1913.

Kilpatrick came to Salem from Springfield, Oregon, where he had served as superintendent of schools. He succeeded Robert L. Kirk as principal of the Salem school.

During the two years in which he served in Salem, Kilpatrick laid the foundation for the success in athletics which has come to Salem high school. He personally directed the preparation of the athletic field at 14th and B streets, which had then just been purchased by the school board, and he took a personal interest in the athletic teams which represented Salem high at that time.

Although a strong disciplinarian, Kilpatrick tried to rule his pupils by kindness rather than by force. Many amusing incidents are recalled by some of the leading business men of Salem about pranks which were played by his pupils. Many of these pupils became among the closest friends of Kilpatrick, because of the just way in which he handled their cases.

E. B. Millard, teller of the Ladd & Bush bank, who was chairman of the school board during Kilpatrick's administration, recalls

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