

Be a 100 Per Cent Citizen, and Vote; Vote Right Preferably, But However You Mark Your Ballot, Vote Salem Lions Club, Youngest of Our Useful and Active Service Organizations, Was 5 Years Old Yesterday

The Oregon Statesman

It is said that most of the popular songs about my dear old home in Dixie are written by jazy young gentlemen in New York who have never been south of Coney Island.

WEATHER FORECAST: Fair weather and rising temperature Tuesday and Wednesday; gentle northwest winds. Maximum temperature yesterday, 78; minimum, 53; river, 1 foot; atmosphere cloudy; wind, northwest.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 28, 1927

PRICE FIVE CENTS

LARGEST SALE OF FLAX FIBER MADE LOCALLY

State Plant Announces Sale of 120,000 Pounds at 21 Cents

PRICE ABOVE QUOTATION

Massachusetts Firm Takes Record Quantity of Willamette Valley Product; Industry Success Seen

The largest sale of flax fiber ever recorded in the United States was reported here yesterday when the state penitentiary flax plant sold to the Stevens Linen company of Massachusetts 120,000 pounds of second grade fiber.

The state received 21 cents per pound for the product, which was four cents a pound in excess of the market quotation for the product during the past 18 months.

A smaller quantity of first-grade flax fiber recently was sold by the state at 29 cents per pound. The state flax plant is now operating at full capacity.

This shows progress in the flax industry here. It is proof of what has been claimed all along for the industry, that we can grow and manufacture a flax fiber here of such quality as to command comparatively high prices in its general classes in the world's markets.

Flax fiber is as staple as cotton or wool. It is the oldest of all vegetable fibers.

With the methods now in force for the flax plant, we will be able to turn out a higher class fiber on the average than we have heretofore been able to offer on the general markets.

And, with the new machinery in use and to be installed, and contemplated, we will be able to produce flax fiber and sell it on the general markets at a profit.

This will mean a larger acreage in flax, running up to perhaps 8000 acres for the flax plant. And it will point the way to retting and scutching plants operated, with improved machinery and

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HAWLEY PRAISES POLICY ON CHINA

"ONE OF BRIGHTEST PAGES IN OUR HISTORY," SAYS

Insistence on Open Door and National Integrity Aid World Peace

"One of the brightest pages in America's history" is this nation's attitude and activities in insisting on the open door and territorial integrity for China, Congressman W. C. Hawley declared while outlining, to an interested audience at the chamber of commerce luncheon Monday, the present situation in that much misunderstood country and the significance of present trouble there.

Through this policy and the success which the United States has had in getting other nations, especially Great Britain, to second it, American statesmen have taken the greatest step toward world peace that could be imagined, Hawley said, for these three nations, with the majority of the world's population, committed to opposing wars of conquest, can enforce that policy on the others.

The Oregon representative told the history of China's present predicament from its beginning in traditional despotism to the latest attempts at a republic which have degenerated to practically the same type of despotism as before.

The things which the foreign nations interested in Chinese have insisted upon, he explained, are personal safety and contractual rights for their subjects, and these, being impossible under Chinese rule in its present status, the foreign concessions and extra-territoriality have arisen.

At present, China is governed by 25 despots, each plotting with the other against the other, and each making laws in the territory he commands and fighting to acquire control of the Peking government and the large revenue from customs duties, which are collected by the foreigners and turned over intact, Congressman Hawley stated.

LIONS OBSERVE FIFTH BIRTHDAY

PRAISE FOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN SALEM GIVEN

Lively Entertainment Features Banquet: John H. Carlin Is Speaker

The list of things accomplished by the Salem Lions club during the five years it has been in existence constitutes a record of which it may well be proud, declared John H. Carlin, former district attorney at Medford, and district governor of the Lions' organization, at the celebration of the fifth birthday of the local den held in the Marion hotel banquet room last evening.

The Salem group was the second in the state to be organized, and is today one of 1200 clubs throughout the country having a total membership of over 50,000, all having as their motto "Liberty, intelligence, our nation's safety," the speaker reminded the group of over 150 members and guests.

Service for others is the one big reason for the existence of such a group, and the man on the street recognizes this as having been accomplished by the Lions, Mr. Carlin concluded, after telling of the beginning of the movement, and the ideals which had dominated it from the beginning.

To Jack Martin and his Fan-Club and Marco entertainers from the Elsinore belongs the credit for most of the lively stunts which kept the crowd in constant applause. The singing and dancing of the group of colored artists almost rivaled Jack's efforts to collect fines during the evening. Both attained a high degree of success.

Other musical numbers on the program were provided by Stephen Whitford, pianist and former protege of the Portland Lions club.

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SHIPS TO BE SCRAPPED

12 Per Cent of Merchant Fleet to be Sold Under New Plan

WASHINGTON, June 27.—(AP)—Close to a million tons of steel cargo ships, constituting 12 per cent of the government's inactive merchant fleet will be sold for scrapping under an economy program recommended to the shipping board by the merchant fleet corporation.

The proposal, yet to be passed on by the board, involves the sale by competitive bidding of 129 vessels with a total tonnage of 960,402, which, if carried out, corporation officials declare, would save the government thousands of dollars spent annually to keep these idle ships in a fair state of repair.

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WEATHERSON VALUABLE

Former Florence Bank Cashier in Charge of Prison Records

Miss Harriet Weatherson, who is serving a term of six years for the part she played in the robbery of the Florence State bank a few months ago, probably is the most valuable prisoner in the Oregon state penitentiary, according to Henry Meyers, superintendent.

Miss Weatherson is a bookkeeper, and has been assigned to the task of revising virtually all of the permanent records of the institution.

During the recent absence of Joe Murray, veteran bookkeeper at the prison, Miss Weatherson had charge of the bookkeeping department.

WILL FLY FROM PARIS

French Commercial Aviator Plans Atlantic Cross Over

PARIS, June 27.—(AP)—Maurice Drouhin, one of France's leading commercial aviators, who is planning a Paris-New York flight, is almost ready for the attempt, and may start within a few days.

Flying near Paris, Drouhin's plane, a giant Farman, lifted 7,000 kilograms (about 15,400 pounds) satisfactorily. Drouhin has not yet selected his navigator.

AUTOMOTIVE MEN MEET

"Fastest Growing Industry" Holds Convention at Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., June 27.—(AP)—Seven hundred persons, delegates and visitors, at the semi-annual convention of the Automotive Equipment association were gathered here today and set in motion the summer meeting of the men who represent one of America's fastest growing and most important industries.

JAPANESE LIKE GREAT BRITAIN SHIP PROPOSAL

Delegation Informs Gibson Will Wire Tokyo for New Instructions

SUDDEN SHIFT SURPRISE

Speculation Rife as to Reason for Change in Nipponese Stand; Lower Navy Expenditures Attract

GENEVA, Switzerland, June 27.—(AP)—Viscount Ishii is understood to have visited Hugh S. Gibson, head of the American delegation, late today, and to have informed him officially that the Japanese delegation was so impressed with the British proposals to discuss capital ships at the tri-partite naval conference that it had been decided to request fresh instructions from Tokyo.

Three opinions prevail concerning the sudden shift in the Japanese attitude. The first is that Japan has been definitely won over by the British to a position which is sturdily opposed by the Americans.

The second is that the Japanese will utilize the question of capital ships as a lever to obtain American consent for an increased ratio for Japan in auxiliary warships.

The third is that the Japanese, seeing the conference in danger of collapse, wish to find a middle ground which would permit settlement of the Anglo-American conflict.

In the course of his talk with the newspaper men, Viscount Ishii explained that because of the promise of diminished naval expenditure contained in the British

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MURDERERS RECEIVED

Klamath Slayers to Be Put to Work in Lime Plant

Three murderers from Klamath county were received and "dressed in" at the Oregon state penitentiary here Sunday.

Two of the slayers, James Grayson and Frank Clark were sentenced to life terms, while George Way was sent up for seven years.

The three men will be assigned to employment in the state flax plant, according to announcement made by the officials.

66 LOCAL FIRMS PLAN BARGAINS

SCOPE OF ANNUAL BARGAIN DAY BIGGER THAN EVER

Out-of-Town and Local Shoppers Promised Big Opportunities Friday

With the addition of several more names yesterday afternoon and evening, the list of Salem merchants and business men who will participate in the tenth annual Bargain Day to be held Friday and Saturday of this week, now totals sixty-six.

The rapidity with which stocks are disposed of and replaced determines the profits in the retail trade, in the opinion of local merchants, and it is with this in view that arrangements are being made for Bargain Day. A great many stocks that have previously been held higher will be sold to make room for other stocks coming in, although fresh stocks and latest styles have been promised by all merchants.

Additional reasons for holding an annual bargain day lie in the increased prestige Salem will gain as a shopping center where good merchandise may be purchased at a reasonable figure.

Bargain day will see a renewal of the opportunities residents of the city and out-of-town shoppers enjoyed during the spring style week, when hundreds took advantage of the reduced prices to save money.

Both the Oregon Statesman and the Capitol Journal are cooperating with Salem merchants in arranging for Bargain Day.

Merchants participating in the

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D'AUTREMONTS AT WORK

Ray and Roy Become Wheelbarrow Chauffeurs at Lime Plant

Ray, Roy and Hugh D'Autremont who were received at the state penitentiary here last Friday to serve life terms for the slaying of four Southern Pacific trainmen during a holdup of train No. 13 in Siskiyou tunnel in October, 1923, Tuesday were "dressed out" and assigned to employment in the institution.

Ray and Roy D'Autremont were assigned to the wheelbarrow squad in connection with the operation of the state lime plant. Hugh D'Autremont, whose health was impaired because of his long incarceration in the Jacksonville jail, has been given lighter employment. Officials said he eventually would be placed at work in the lime plant.

Henry Meyers, superintendent of the prison, said the brothers appeared in good spirits today and expressed a desire to join the other convicts in the yards.

GREAT DAMAGE DONE BY FLOOD

CLOUDBURST CAUSES LOSS OF NEAR HALF MILLION

Two Eastern Oregon Towns Clean Mud and Wreckage From Streets

ARLINGTON, Ore., June 27.—(AP)—Damage from yesterday's cloudbursts will amount to between \$300,000 and \$350,000 in Arlington and Weston, the two towns hardest hit, it was believed here today, while damage to roads and railways outside the towns may increase this figure considerably. The report of a new flood at Weston proved groundless.

This city awoke today to find itself buried under an avalanche of mud and debris. Wreckage of all kinds choked the streets, carried there by the wall of water as it raced through the town.

Automobiles were lodged against buildings and trees. Many of the cars have not been identified. Household furnishings lined the ditches and streets.

Mud, from six inches to a foot in depth, lay on the floors of most of the business houses, and men with shovels and wheel barrows were put to work cleaning out the buildings.

The furnishings in some of the rooming houses in the city were discovered buried two or three feet under an avalanche of mud. The owner of one of these houses estimated his loss at \$3000.

The Vendome hotel, an old landmark, is virtually a total loss. The kitchen and rear of the structure was washed away in the flood.

The John Day highway was destroyed from the city limits of Arlington to a point seven miles out. The Columbia River highway at both ends of town was washed out. The water in its rush down the canyon, took out miles of railroad track of the Condon branch line.

Police are patrolling the stricken area.

FOUR FACING CHARGES

Held to Grand Jury on Complaint of Mash Possession

Art Kieper, route 1, Jefferson; Sanford Smith, Arthur Gotthardt and Carl Porter were bound over to the grand jury yesterday by justice court, charged with the unlawful possession of mash, and bail of \$1,000 set for each.

The four were arrested on June 9 by Officer W. T. Barber, and Keiper and Porter were later released on bail. Porter was returned to jail yesterday, however, to serve a 60-day sentence on the charge of driving his car while intoxicated. He was also given a fine of \$100.

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THREE AIRSHIPS READY FOR HOP ACROSS PACIFIC

Two Planes at Oakland, One at Honolulu Scheduled for Flight Today

CIVILIAN, ARMY RIVALS

Aviators Give Final Tests to Planes Prior to Big Ocean Jump; Service Men Plan to Start 7 A. M.

OAKLAND, Cal., June 27.—(AP)—Two planes here, and one in Honolulu, were reported ready tonight to hop off within the next few hours on non-stop flights over



LIEUT. LESTER MAITLAND

the Pacific, between San Francisco and Honolulu.

The giant tri-motored army Fokker and its smaller silvery monoplane opponent here, were expected to take the air from Oakland's municipal airport early tomorrow, for flights westward over the Pacific toward the Hawaiian Islands.

Honolulu Flier Ready Reports received from Honolulu stated that the specially constructed runway on the "barking sands" near Mana, on the island of Kauai, was completed for the take-off of the third plane, piloted by Richard Grace, who plans to wing eastward toward the American continent at an early undetermined hour.

Following an official inspection for the army by Major-General Mason Patrick here today of the plane to be flown by Lieutenants

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STORM PREVENTS HOP

Commander Byrd Delayed Still More by Adverse Weather

ROOSEVELT FIELD, N. Y., June 27.—(AP)—The storm that set this flying field a-wash, Sunday morning, and prevented a take-off of the monoplane "America," was hanging off the Grand Banks tonight, an effective barrier against starting the flight to France before Wednesday.

"There won't be any take-off tomorrow morning," Byrd said. "The way the winds are now, they'd cost us ten miles an hour all the way to New Foundland, and 15 miles an hour across the ocean. And the low pressure though that runs from New Foundland south to the steamer lanes, forms an effective barrier."

3 YOUTHS BOUND OVER

Boys Charged With Thefts Placed Under \$2500 Bond

Curtis Townsend, Adrian Loomis and Henry Jatri, Salem youths arrested recently in connection with a series of house robberies which they are said by the police to have admitted, were yesterday bound over to the grand jury, and bail set at \$2500. They are being held in the Marion county jail.

LINDY GUEST OF MORGAN

Invitation To Magnate Dining Room Extended by Morrow

NEW YORK, June 27.—(AP)—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh was the luncheon guest of J. P. Morgan today in the private dining room of J. P. Morgan company's Wall street offices.

The invitation had been extended through Dwight W. Morrow, a member of the firm, and former president of the aircraft commission, soon after Colonel Lindbergh arrived in Washington from France.

CROSSING DANGER SEEN

Investigation of Center Street Intersection Ordered

Investigation of the grade crossing of the Oregon Electric tracks, near the approach of the Marion-Polk county bridge, on Center street, has been ordered by the public service commission. It was alleged that the crossing is hazardous.

MARSHALL GETS FEDERAL OFFICE

SENIOR MEMBER OF ACCIDENT COMMISSION RESIGNS

Leaves To Begin New Duties As Deputy Federal Official At Seattle

Notice of his appointment as deputy commissioner in charge of administering the Longshoremen and Harbor Workers compensation act, passed at the last session of Congress, was received Monday by William A. Marshall, who has been since 1913 a member of the state industrial accident commission.

Mr. Marshall was instructed to open offices at Seattle July 1 pending receipt of further orders from the federal employees compensation commission at Washington. The district over which Mr. Marshall will have jurisdiction includes both Washington and Oregon. The office carries a salary of \$5200 a year and is under civil service.

Mr. Marshall was first appointed industrial accident commissioner at the time the department was created in 1913. He has served in this capacity under five administrations and has had 11 associates. His term would have expired January 1, 1928.

The law creating the industrial accident commission provided for the appointment of three commissioners. One of these represented labor, another the employers and the third the state at large. Mr. Marshall has represented the workers.

It was said that Mr. Marshall's promotion to deputy commissioner under the longshoremen and harbor workers act came unsolicited.

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CHAUTAUQUA AID ASKED

Program July 20 to 25 to Be Best Ever Given Here

Support for the annual Salem chautauqua, which will be held July 20 to 25, was urged at the chamber of commerce luncheon Monday by Fred J. Tooze, Sr., representing the local chautauqua association.

This year for the first time, Mr. Tooze announced, any surplus over the cost of the entertainment will accrue to the chautauqua association, to be used in securing even better attractions for succeeding years.

The program this year will be one of the best ever presented here, as all of the numbers are also showing on the biggest chautauqua of the country, it was declared.

WALLOWA IN DARKNESS

Flood in Eastern Oregon Fills Intakes of Light Company

ENTERPRISE, Ore., June 27.—(AP)—All Wallowa valley towns were in darkness today. The intake of the Pacific Power and Light company's plant was completely filled by the freshet in the east fork of Wallowa river, above Wallowa lake, as a result of the heavy rains yesterday and the power plant was forced to close.

The emergency plant at Joseph was started but had run but a short time when a rock went through the wheel, wrecking the plant.

LEAPS FROM PORT HOLE

Woman Passenger on Ocean Liner Dives From Ship to Death

SAN PEDRO, Cal., June 27.—(AP)—A death leap from the port hole of her cabin, by Miss Cora L. McAtee, 42, of Portland, Ore., was reported to harbor authorities here, today, by Captain Harry Gries, master of the Admiral Line Admiral Pebles arriving here from Portland.

Captain Gries said he stopped the ship as soon as he was notified that Miss McAtee had leaped overboard. Boats were lowered and a two-hour fruitless search was made.

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CITY MEASURES TO DRAW MANY TO POLLS HERE

Light Ballot Predicted for Entire State at Special Election Today

ISSUES ALL FINANCIAL

Income Tax, Limitation Amendment Hold Center of Stage in State Contest; Incinerator, Sewer Bonds

Polling Places Today

Salem 1—Portable schoolhouse at Washington school

Salem 2—First floor of Bun-galow Christian church, 17th and Court streets.

Salem 3—Cameron's paint shop, 21st between Chemeketa and Center streets.

Salem 4—Swedish tabernacle, Mill and 15th streets.

Salem 5—Richmond school.

Salem 6—Yew Park school.

Salem 7—St. Vincent de Paul school between Highland and Columbia avenues.

Salem 8—Jason Lee church, Jefferson and Winter streets.

Salem 9—Baptist church, Cottage and D streets.

Salem 10—Basement Salem Woman's club building, 460 North Cottage street.

Salem 11—Court house.

Salem 12—Vick Bros, 280 South High street.

Salem 13—E. Sherwood's residence, 787 Cross street.

Salem 14—Store building, 1894 North Commercial street.

Salem 15—Hunt Bros. packing company warehouse, 765 North Front street.

Salem 16—City hall.

Salem 17—Bonesteel Motor company, 470 South Commercial street.

Salem 18—Basement of Friends church, Washington and Commercial streets.

Although predictions point to a light ballot throughout the state, and not more than 40 per cent in Marion county as a whole, interest in the city measures is expected to bring out a large ballot in Salem both on the city and state issues. Still, as there are no candidates to be voted for, the vote cannot be expected to compare

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FISH WHEEL LAW NOT IN CONFLICT

DISTRICT COURT DECLARES BILL CONSTITUTIONAL

Appeal To U. S. Supreme Court Expected; Many Operators Represented

PORTLAND, June 27.—(AP)—The anti-fish wheel bill, passed by the electorate of Oregon, in November, is not in conflict with the constitution of the United States, nor with the Oregon-Washington compact governing the commercial fishing on the Columbia river.

A decision to this effect was handed down in federal district court, here today, when a motion for an injunction against the operation of the law was denied. Suit had been filed by P. J. McGowan and Sons, Inc., Pacific county, Washington, against the state of Oregon.

A temporary injunction was granted early in the case. This suspended operation of the law on May 1, the opening of the season.

The law was placed on the ballot in November. It is known as the "anti-fishwheel law," although its provisions not only bar the operation of fishwheels upon all parts of the Columbia river, but also prohibit the maintenance of drag seines on the Columbia above Cascade locks.

The plaintiff company has for many years operated drag seines in Hood River county.

The legislatures of Oregon and Washington, several years ago, passed similar legislation governing the exercise of commercial fishing rights on the Columbia river, and congress ratified this compact providing for concurrent jurisdiction in 1913. The law was particularly attacked upon the ground that it violated the provisions of this contract.

The 14th amendment to the con-

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