

# The Oregon Statesman

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PRICE FIVE CENTS

Weather forecast: Generally fair with moderate temperature in the west portion; locally moderate westerly winds along the coast.

It is said that fifty per cent of the soldiers discharged from the army re-enlist. And a greater percentage of men who get divorces remarry. Which shows that some folks never get enough fighting.

## CHURCH PEOPLE VOTE OPPOSING DEATH PENALTY

### Ballot Taken at Services on Sunday Favors Commutation of Sentence

## TWO ALMOST UNANIMOUS

### No Further Action Reported on Request of Portland Attorney For Hearing in Regard to Trial Errors

Sentiment among Salem churchgoers seems to be decidedly in favor of petitioning Governor Patterson to commute the sentences of James Willos and Ellsworth Kelley, according to votes taken in a number of the churches Sunday.

At the Jason Lee Methodist church the facts in regard to the Willos-Kelley case were briefly outlined by John H. Hunt, a member of the church, and then a vote taken. The congregation went on record almost unanimously as being in favor of the commutation of the death sentence to life imprisonment. Rev. Thomas Acheson is pastor of the Jason Lee church.

Rev. G. E. Erskine, pastor of the Chemeketa street Evangelical church, reported that the vote was taken in his congregation Sunday, without any discussion of the question, and that 22 persons expressed themselves as being in favor of asking for commutation. None voted against it while a number were unwilling to express an opinion.

A vote of about ten to one in favor of commutation of the sentence was given by the congregation of the Castle Chapel United Brethren church at N. 17th and Nebraska streets, reported Rev. W. N. Blodgett, pastor.

Some Favor Hanging  
Votes were taken in at least five other Salem churches, Sunday, on the same question, and so far as could be learned yesterday, none of them gave a majority in

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## MOUNT VESUVIUS ERUPTING AGAIN

### TONS OF MOLTEN LAVA POUR DOWN TOWARD TERZINGO

### Residents Leave Although Official Indicates Little Danger

NAPLES, ITALY, Aug. 1. (AP).—Countless thousands of tons of molten lava tonight continued to pour ponderously from the "Valley of Hell" under the crater of Mount Vesuvius, into ravines leading toward the town Terzigno, many of whose inhabitants already have fled the re-awakened activity of the great volcano.

Despite ominous explosions and the constant movement of lava, at a rapid rate, Professor Malladra, of the observatory, declared there was no danger except in case the weight of the gathering material should cause a break in the side of the mountain from the inner crater to the surface facing Terzigno.

The present phase of the volcano's activity, Professor Malladra said, would cease probably within a few days.

Beginning yesterday morning the eruption at Mount Vesuvius progressed steadily until early this morning when the lava, which already filled the "Valley of Hell" rose above the dikes erected to check its flow into the valley and then began to run down the paths towards Terzigno.

A large section of the population of Terzigno and neighboring regions began to flee towards Naples after dawn.

(Terzigno in 1920 had a population of 5,000.)

Within the "Valley of Hell" lava this afternoon formed a lake about 2,000 feet broad which overflowed in a succession of narrow currents over a breadth of about 300 feet into the ravine. The temperature in the crater at times reached 1,100 degrees centigrade, with the air filled with unbreathable gases.

Professor Malladra, it was learned today, by his knowledge of the vagaries of Mount Vesuvius,

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## BUSES PROVIDING BETTER SERVICE

### STREET CARS DISAPPEAR BUT NOT MOURNED

### Public Not Yet Familiar with New Routings and Time Schedule, Report

Not a hitch occurred yesterday in the conversion of the Salem street railway into a motor bus real improvement, according to system, and the Salem riding public seems to be accepting it as a Thomas L. Billingsley, superintendent of the system.

Many comments were heard yesterday, he declared, on the smooth riding of the buses. Some of the buses are equipped with balloon tires, and others will probably be so equipped in the near future, making them ride much easier than the old type of bus.

The routes of the bus lines, and the new schedules under which the buses operate were published in the Sunday statesman, and should be kept where the patrons can often refer to them until they have become thoroughly familiar with them. This will minimize the number of calls coming in to the company's office daily to ask about the schedules, Mr. Billingsley said.

Persons living in the new territory reached by the buses have not yet become familiar with the routes, and many of them walked to State street yesterday, where the buses passed almost in front of their homes.

The work of tearing down the trolley wires on the Chemeketa street line has started, with the finishing of the State street line. Black top has been laid over the tracks on State street west almost to 12th street, while the work of tearing out the rails from 12th to Church street is proceeding, with traffic moving slowly because of piles of brick alongside the track. Several days will be required to finish this work.

The rails of the Chemeketa street line will not be removed, it was announced, and the work of spreading the black top over them will begin soon.

## INDEPENDENCE BOY HURT

### Car Leaps Highway On Return From Dance At Pedee

OREGON NORMAL SCHOOL, Monmouth, Ore., July 31. (Special).—Three Independence boys suffered serious injuries at one o'clock this morning when their Ford roadster skidded on a curve on the Elkins market road about seven miles south of Monmouth. The young men were returning to their homes from a dance at Pedee and were traveling at too great speed for a gravelled road. The car cleared a wire fence, breaking only the top wire, made several end for end summersaults and was partly demolished.

The boys were rushed to the Independence hospital where the injuries to Bob Owens and Bill Craig were found to be painful but not of a serious nature. The third boy, Hank Sonecker, is still in an unconscious condition from skull fractures and glass cuts on his neck. The doctors hold out little hope for young Sonecker. The boy's parents all live in Independence.

## NEW GARAGE OCCUPIED

### Fitzgerald-Sherwin Motor Company Takes Over

The Fitzgerald-Sherwin Motor Company has moved into its new building at the corner of Chemeketa and Liberty streets. The building includes a full basement with storage space for 30 cars. The basement also houses the reading department. The main floor includes the service shop, rest room, wash rack and greasing department, show room, and office.

Members of the firm are J. E. Fitzgerald and Howard T. Sherwin. Fourteen persons are employed.

## ARREST JULIAN OFFICERS

### Manager of Petroleum Company's New York Office Held

NEW YORK, Aug. 1. (AP).—A Swanson, manager of the New York office of Julian Petroleum company of California, was arrested here today in connection with the company's collapse and consequently reported loss of \$100,000,000 to investors. He was held in \$20,000 bail on a charge of grand larceny to await word from Los Angeles where he was named in recent grand jury indictments.

## "STOP" SIGNALS IN FOUR PLACES TO BE REMOVED

### Council Reverses Ruling when Zoning Commission Attitude Explained

## SAY CONGESTION CAUSED

### Change Not To Be Effective For A Month as Ordinance Not Yet Drawn Up; Cluster Lights To Be Installed

Reversing their stand of two weeks ago, city councilmen last night instructed City Attorney Fred Williams to draw up a city ordinance amendment providing for removal of the stop signs on Church and Cottage streets from the north side of State street and the south side of Court street.

Alderman W. W. Rosenbraugh, who is a member of the zoning commission, presented the commission's attitude on the matter which was not made plain to the council at the last meeting of that group when a communication from the commission advocating the removal was disapproved. Alderman Rosenbraugh was absent from the zoning commission when the recommendation was drafted, and had no facts to present when the matter was broached at that council session.

Caused Congestion  
The maintenance of stop signs on both sides of the streets at those points has caused traffic to move so heavily to High street, said Alderman Rosenbraugh, that it has become a real problem, and a menace to safety. People will rather go a block out of their way to avoid stopping twice, he said.

That an accident hazard would be created with removal of the signs was scouted. Reasonable care exercised by motorists in driving onto State would eliminate any possibility of danger, and in time people will become accustomed to the new arrangement, Alderman Rosenbraugh declared.

Not Effective Soon  
It will be at least a month before the sign removal will become effective, as it will require that much time to get the ordinance bill through the regular legislative procedure.

A petition for permission to put up cluster lights on High street

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## PRUNE GROWERS TO MEET TODAY

### PLAN OF MARKETING THIS YEAR'S CROP SOUGHT

### Withdrawal of One Packer Disrupts Arrangement, But Hope Still Held.

CORVALLIS, Aug. 1. (AP).—Leaders in the prune marketing movement, meeting in Salem tomorrow, will endeavor to reach a solution to the problem of how best to sell this year's prune crop, and will draw plans for proceeding with the packer-grower organization for handling the 1927 crop.

The meeting was called by Paul V. Maris, director of the college extension service after consultation with Seymour Jones, state market agent.

Departure from the packer agreement by one of the packers concerned has halted arrangements for selling the crop under the plan adopted by the convention of 1926.

It is thought, however, that immediate consideration should be given means of reducing threatened losses to growers this year and that definite steps should be taken to sign up 90 per cent of the prune tonnage produced in western Oregon and southwestern Washington by the first of January, according to the agreement reached at the Corvallis convention July 9.

Among those who have promised to attend the Salem convention tomorrow are: Senator Lloyd Reynolds, chairman of the north-west dried prune convention; Kenneth C. Miller, chairman of the marketing section of that convention; R. H. Kipp, marketing manager of the Portland chamber of commerce; Henry Crawford, chairman of the organization committee of nine; Mr. Jones and Director Maris.

## CLEVELAND FETES LINDY

### Conqueror of Atlantic and Historic Making Plane Visit

CLEVELAND, Aug. 1. (AP).—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, ambassador of Good Will between nations, who brought his Spirit of St. Louis to Cleveland today, was lustily greeted by thousands at the municipal airport, received the freedom of the city and tonight was a guest at a civic banquet.

Police estimated that 150,000 people jammed in and near the municipal airport to see Colonel Lindbergh land, the greatest throng they ever handled. Seats surrounding the speaker's stand had been provided for several thousand, but these people were lost in the press that came forward soon after the plane landed.

## BRAMWELL OUT RUMOR ALLEGES

### RESIGNATION ON WAY TO GOVERNOR, BELIEVED

### A. A. Schramm Said to Have Inside Track for Bank Superintendency

Capitol gossip here Monday indicated that the resignation of Frank C. Bramwell, state superintendent of banks has been requested and would reach the state banking board sometime this week.

Appointment of Mr. Bramwell's successor will follow within a few days after the resignation is received.

Persons close to Governor Patterson and other members of the state banking board expressed the opinion that A. A. Schramm, Corvallis banker, has an edge on the appointment.

It was said that Mr. Schramm has been engaged in the banking business for many years and at one time served as examiner for the state banking department. He has received the indorsement of a large number of influential bankers in various sections of the state.

Others persons mentioned in connection with the appointment are ex-Governor Ben W. Olcott, for the past years a resident of California; Wm. M. Thorne, bank at Roseburg and E. D. Cusick of Portland.

Mr. Cusick was engaged in the banking business in Albany for many years prior to his removal to Portland. The office carries a salary of \$6000 a year and is one of the most coveted jobs in the state.

The state banking board which has the selection of Mr. Bramwell's successor is composed of Governor Patterson, Secretary of State Kozer and State Treasurer Kay.

## SALEM CHIEF TO ATTEND

### Hutton Authorized To Go To State Firemen's Convention

Fire Chief Harry Hutton will attend the State convention, the Pacific coast convention, and the international convention of fire chiefs at the expense of the city, it was decided at the council meeting last night.

The state convention will be held in Portland August 4, when the largest accumulation of fire fighting apparatus ever assembled in one place at any one time will be on display. All members of the fire committee are planning also to attend this gathering.

## MARINE STARTS GRUELING SWIM PORTLAND GOAL

### Marvin Lewis not Reported Since Passing Wheatland on Monday Afternoon

## ROW BOAT ACCOMPANIES

### Test will be one of Most Severe Ever Attempted in Fresh Water; Careful Preparations are Made

Starting on what will be, if successfully completed one of the hardest tests of endurance swimming ever attempted in fresh water, Marvin Lewis, 19 year old member of the U. S. Marines, began yesterday at 10:45 the 72 mile swim to Portland.

No reports of his progress had been received yesterday after 3:15 p. m., when he was reported to be swimming easily at Wheatland ferry. He was observed at Spang's Landing earlier in the afternoon, at 1:10.

Rowboat Goes Along  
Accompanied by a rowboat carrying Sergeant Carnes, of the marines, Jim Jacobs, Dr. G. E. Prime, uncle of the swimmer, and his father, W. P. Lewis, the young marine expects to make the distance in from 24 to 30 hours, finishing in Portland sometime tomorrow afternoon.

Just before entering the water, Lewis was heavily coated with grease, as a protection against the cold. Provision had been made for feeding him while in the water, from the boat accompanying him.

May Not Leave Water  
Provision for going through the locks at Oregon City had been made beforehand, so that the swimmer would not be stopped there, it was said. The distance to Oregon City from Salem is 58 miles, and would in itself be a record, should he get no farther than that.

Captain John Spong, who for years made the trip up and down the river on the river-boats said yesterday that he doubted if anyone could make the swim all the way to Portland.

Spong pointed out that the latter part of the swim was in still

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## DWELLINGS TO BE BUILT

### Building Activity Starts With a Rush As Month Opens

Permits for the building of new homes in Salem got a good start for the month of August yesterday, with the issuance of three permits for new dwellings, totaling an expenditure of \$12,500.

George W. Hug, superintendent of city schools took out a permit yesterday to erect a two story dwelling at 1805 Fir street, in the Fairmount Park addition, at a cost of about \$6,500.

A 707 Union street, near Cottage, a \$3,000 home will be built soon for G. H. McElroy, according to the application for building permit yesterday.

A one and a half story dwelling to cost approximately \$3,000 will be built at 490 S. 21st street, near Bellevue, for A. Hunt.

Another permit was issued for the repair of a one story dwelling and garage at 1638 S. Church, in the Nob Hill addition. Repairs will cost about \$1900, the permit stated.

## FIVE INJURED IN CRASH

### Automobile Driven By R. H. Varley Forced Off Highway

Five persons received bruises and other slight injuries, Sunday, when a car driven by R. H. Varley, 1170 Fairmount avenue, was forced off the highway by an unidentified driver, six miles north of Salem.

According to Varley, the driver of the other car drove onto the highway from a service station at the side of the road, and swung directly in front of him. Varley went into the ditch, rather than be struck, he said. His car was badly smashed.

Those in the car at the time of the accident, all of whom received bruises, were Mr. and Mrs. John Elmer, 362 N. Church street, Roberts Varley, and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Varley.

## ISSUE OF BONDS TO BE PROVIDED

### ORDINANCE BILLS CALL FOR TWO LARGE BLOCKS

### Bids on Incinerator to be Opened At Next Meeting of City Council

Ordinance bills 2511 and 2512 providing for issuance of blocks of bonds in the amount of \$100,000 for Salem bridge improvement and \$100,000 for sewer construction were introduced at the city council last night, and given first readings.

Aside from this, no reports were given by any of the committees in charge of the improvement work called for under the measures passed at the last election.

It is understood, however, that just as soon as the bonds are issued, and funds provided, actual work on the projects will be under way.

Bids on the incinerator which have been called for are due at the next meeting of the city council, August 15. No ordinance providing for issuance of bonds in this project will be introduced until these bids are made known.

A. C. Forrester and W. D. Smith, Portland consulting engineers, have applied for the job of advising with the city engineer in surveying the city of the new sewer system. Their application was referred to Alderman Grabenhorst, of the sewer committee.

## RESCUER HAS ACCIDENT

### 16 Year Old Heroine Involved In Near-drowning Next Day

LONGVIEW, WASH., Aug. 1. (AP).—Lucille Chamberlain, 16 year old heroine of the thrilling rescue of little Lila McVior, who was snatched from death in the Columbia river yesterday, tonight was in a hospital suffering from injuries to her head and from a possible spinal fracture, herself the victim of near-drowning. Yesterday's rescuer was today rescued from Coweman river after she had gone down a second time, Mike Price, timber baseball umpire, figured in the rescue.

The Chamberlain girl had been diving from the Hammond Lumber company roll way into about seven feet of water from a height of 25 feet. It is believed she hit a submerged log. She came up waving her arms and evidently in serious distress. A youth whose name was not learned, saw her condition and dived to the rescue. She grabbed him and both went down. Price rescued the boy and girl.

Miss Chamberlain is an aquatic star and a senior in the Longview high school.

## McNARY-HAUGEN BILL DEMANDED

### SENATOR, CAPPER BRINGS WORD TO PRESIDENT

Administration's Cooperative Measure Not Adequate, Kansas Declares

RAPID CITY, S. D., Aug. 1. (AP).—President Coolidge turned from the perplexities of naval armament long enough today to hear from Senator Capper of Kansas that the farmers urge for the McNary-Haugen relief bill persists while an "adequate substitute" remains unannounced.

Coming in to the Black Hills for a conference at the summer White House, Senator Capper is the first to bring Mr. Coolidge a message that the farmer still wants the equalization fee provision in that long-controverted measure and while he was convinced the farmers who favor the McNary-Haugen bill are ready "to listen to reason," he did not think they would give any ground so far as the fee was concerned.

Next winter in congress, he added, the fight for the essential provisions of the measure would be continued, which, if the Kansas senator prophesies correctly would be the fourth session in which this long hard fight has been carried.

Mr. Capper confirmed reports the administration's cooperative marketing bill was being reworked under the direction of Secretary Jardine. Similar to administration proposals in the past this new bill would set up a federal farm board with power to lend up to \$200,000,000 to cooperative and farmers. Although Senator Capper long has been an exponent of cooperative marketing, he disapproved this measure would meet the present need.

"It would be a fine piece of legislation," he said, "but it does not go far enough."

The senator joined with his Kansas colleague, Senator Curtis, republican leader in the senate, against a special session of congress.

He brought Mr. Coolidge an optimistic report on crop conditions, especially as to wheat and corn.

## SCENES AS RIOTERS SWEEP THROUGH VIENNA



Scenes in Vienna, Austria, during the recent outbreak of Socialists against the Seipel government, costing the lives of 81 persons, chiefly workmen. Top photo shows the burgomaster of Vienna, Karl Seits, trying to calm rioters. Lower photo shows striking workers from country districts arriving to participate in the demonstration.