

# Note the Editorial Article Showing the Necessity of a Reformatory for Young Men and First Offenders Shows Do Much Good; But Much More Rain or Murky Weather Will Hurt Hops in Quality and Quantity

Weather forecast: Unsettled, probably with local showers in northwest portion; moderate temperature; moderate variable winds mostly southerly. Maximum temperature yesterday 64, minimum 60, river minus 1.8, rainfall .78, atmosphere cloudy, wind northwest.

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## STUNT FLIGHTS WILL CONTINUE DESPITE RISKS

### Seven Expeditions in Progress or Planned for Immediate Future

## ALL ODDS ARE IGNORED

### Steadily Increasing Adverse Weather Conditions Fail to Halt Flyers on Many Hazardous Trips

(By The Associated Press)  
Ignoring steadily increasing adverse odds and recent heavy casualties in their ranks, aviation pioneers continued to drive forward as the week ended.  
Old Glory, the Fokker monoplane, was at Old Orchard, Maine, today preparing for the long trail to Rome. The two mile storm packed beach is expected to give a long enough runway to avert further wait for the proper wind to raise the great ship and load.  
Captain Rene Fonck, after thoroughly testing his new Sikorski biplane, has announced a program of long distance and endurance flights, designed to shatter all existing records. He proposes first a flight to Paris "within a month."  
The Royal Windsor plans to take off from Portland, Maine, today in continuation of the flight to Windsor, England.  
Captain Courtney in his Whale is at Corunna, Spain, where he was forced to land because of adverse winds delaying his passage to the Azores; but there was no hint that the project had been abandoned.  
The Columbia is at Cranwell, England, waiting only favorable weather for the hazardous "westward passage" to America.  
The Sir John Carling is wind-bound at Caribou, Maine, but only temporarily.  
Schlee and Brock, world navigators, are at Bunder Abbas, Persia, tuning up for an early start today for the next hop in their long tour.  
"Whale" Lands in Spain  
CORUNNA, Spain, Sept. 3.—(AP)—The flying boat "Whale" piloted by Captain F. T. Courtney, which set out from Plymouth early this morning landed this afternoon in a dangerous place on the Galician coast near Corunna. Help was sent to the aviators and they were brought to a place of safety.  
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## CRAZED WORKER SHOTS 7 DEAD

### STEEL EMPLOYEE ATTACKS OWN AND SON'S WIVES

### Three Grandchildren and Three Daughters Among Those Fatally Hit

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO, SEPT. 3.—(AP)—Tony De Capua, 42, steel worker, apparently crazed by brooding over lack of work, tonight shot and killed his wife, wounded his son's wife, and killed six children of the two families, including two infants.  
Police answering a call from neighbors found De Capua standing outside his home, and the man at once opened fire on them. In an ensuing gun battle, De Capua, Patrolman Leo Tyrell and an unidentified pedestrian were wounded.  
The dead:  
Mrs. Mary De Capua, Tony's wife, 42.  
Junior, 14 months and May, 4 months, and Marie, 6 years, his grandchildren.  
Anna, six, Elizabeth, 11, and Catherine, 2 months, daughters of Tony De Capua.  
The Capua home is located in a district of foreigners.  
Police at the scene reported to headquarters that they could find no one there who could speak English.  
Meager information gleaned by the police was that the shooting followed a violent quarrel between De Capua and his wife. Their children were drawn into the quarrel.  
Suddenly De Capua produced a revolver, according to the police, and began firing wildly from an adjoining room into a room in which Mrs. De Capua and the children were.

## LEGIONNAIRES TO PICNIC

### Posts from Five Counties to Send Delegates to Oceanside

Legionnaires from Marion, Polk, Yamhill, Washington and Tillamook counties will gather at Oceanside on Labor Day as guests of the Tillamook American Legion Post.  
-Extensive preparations have been made for the entertainment of the visitors. There will be baseball games, an archery contest, various other sports and dancing.  
At noon a picnic dinner will be served. Immediately after the dinner the new Legion billet will be dedicated with an appropriate program. Irl S. McSherry, department vice-commander will give the address.  
The Salem Drum corps, the Sheridan band and the McMinville "Hungry Seven" band will furnish music during the day.  
Reports from the Tillamook district indicate the roads to be in fine condition and so a large crowd is anticipated.

## CHICAGO MOVIE WARFARE ENDS

### Compromise Reached Between Opposing Factions

CHICAGO, Sept. 3.—(AP)—Chicago movies will move again tomorrow after approximately 400 motion picture shows and vaudeville houses had been closed since last Monday because one theater wanted to employ two operators and the union insisted that it employ four.  
The strike and lockout was ended this evening in the offices of Mayor Thompson, where exhibitors, machine operators and stage hands representatives met after the mayor had announced he represented the public which wanted movies over Sunday and Labor Day.  
The terms of settlement were divulged, it being announced by both sides had agreed to keep them secret. Mayor Thompson in a statement, however, said that "the final compromise was a compromise, which showed a splendid spirit of Americanism." The mayor's statement said that "All parties concerned left happy."  
The strike and lockout was estimated to have thrown 15,000 theater employees out of work for most of a week, to have tied up theatrical investments of upward of \$75,000,000; closed 400 theaters; resulted in lost receipts of more than \$1,000,000, and forced about 1,000,000 movie fans to seek some other form of diversion for a week.

## PERFUMED FERTILIZER

### Delightful Odor Given Off by New Product for Farmers

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—(AP)—A perfumed fertilizer has been found for meticulous farmers. It is made from the by-products of manufactured cocoa and chocolate, and has the aromatic excellence of both parent elements.  
Ordinarily the potency of fertilizer is judged by the desire it creates for a gas mask, but the federal bureau of soils has discovered the sweetly odiferous content to possess a convenient and suitable plant food.  
A press-cake of cocoa meal, the department of agriculture says, can be made containing about 4 per cent of nitrogen which is the equivalent of 4.9 per cent of ammonia.

## TOWNS FLOOD STRICKEN

### Floods Enter Cavern Where 30 Peasants Went for Refuge

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Sept. 3.—(AP)—Heavy rains wiped out entire towns in Bukovina recently according to press dispatches which on account of interrupted communications were received today. In the town of Carlibaba floods entered a cavern in which 35 peasants took refuge and 24 were drowned.  
It is estimated that hundreds of persons were drowned in various parts in the Bukovina. Bridges and roads were destroyed and the material damage is estimated at about 40,000,000 lei. The disaster is said to be one of the worst in the history of the country.

## OCEAN FLIGHTS NOT FEASIBLE SAYS VETERAN

### Oakley G. Kelly, Who Made Hop Across U. S., Opposes Stunt Trips

## LANDINGS HELD NEEDED

### Huge Barges Only Solution to Problem; Eighteen Recent Deaths Recalled by Experienced Army Flyer

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Sept. 3.—(AP)—Four years ago Lieutenant Oakley G. Kelly, in company with Lieut. J. A. MacReady, both of the United States air corps, made a sensational non-stop air flight from New York to San Diego. Their remarkable flight, surpassing all previous records by a wide margin, attracted world wide attention and may properly be called the starting point of the present non-stop air flight craze.  
**Recalls 18 Deaths**  
Today this same skilled Lieutenant Kelly, commandant of Pearson field, here, wiser by four years of experience and study, gave his opinion of the merits and the feasibility of long distance non-stop flights, particularly trans-oceanic hops. Lieutenant Kelly was thinking of the 18 men and women who have lost their lives recently in connection with trans-oceanic flights when he passed judgment.  
"Non-stop flights in commercial planes over the sea are not practical and never will be feasible, in my opinion," said Lieutenant Kelly.  
Chance too great  
"With adverse weather conditions that exist day in and out,  
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## 'SLOW CLUB' ABANDONED

### Olive Potter, 17, Changes Mind and Elopes With Man

CHICAGO, SEPT. 3.—(AP)—Miss Olive Potter, 17 years old, who a few months ago organized a "slow club" whose announced object was to promote sociability among young folks without parting and drinking, pulled a fast one today. She telephoned her parents that she eloped to Crown Point, Ind., and married William O'Donnell of Chicago. Her club is defunct.

## BONDS DECLARED LEGAL FOR CITY

### BRIDGE COMMITTEE WILL RECOMMEND ENGINEER

### Chairmen Await Approval of City Council Before Beginning Operations

Doubt as to the legality of bond issues for Salem's improvement projects was removed yesterday morning in a letter from Teal, Winfree, McCulloch, and Shuler, Portland bond attorneys, to City Attorney Fred A. Williams.  
When certain members of the city council hesitated to vote for carrying out the sewer, bridge, and incinerator projects without absolute surety that the bond issues would be legal, a transcript of all proceedings from initiation of the proposals to their approval by the council was sent to the bond attorneys.  
These proceedings were reviewed carefully and the letter from the Portland firm removes every obstacle to procuring money for the improvements by the sale of bonds.  
The letter reads as follows:  
"We have examined the transcript of proceedings handed us by you covering the election of June 28, 1927, at which charter amendments were voted upon authorizing bonds in the amounts of  
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## EUGENE YOUTH KILLED

### Bookkeeper in Dental Office Inhales Gas From Range

EUGENE, Sept. 3.—(AP)—Maude C. Smith, 41, and single, committed suicide at her home here today by breathing gas from the kitchen range. Her father, Jacob Smith, a merchant, found her in a chair with her face over the gas jets and a quilt over her head. Despondency and ill health is thought to have been the cause of the suicide. She was employed as bookkeeper at a dental office.

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## 4 YOUNG WOMEN DROWN

### Small Craft Overturns in Swollen New Jersey Stream

CALDWELL, N. J., Sept. 3.—(AP)—Four girls, ranging from 16 to 29 years old, were drowned in the Passaic river at Pine Brook near here late today, when their boat capsized in the stream, swollen by recent rains. The victims, who were spending their vacations at Bethany community camp at Roseland, were: Kathrins Azarra, 20, Newark; Anna Lynch, 16, Newark; Jane Harak, Irvington; Cora J. Barbara, Newark.

## LICENSE MARK EQUALLED

### Ten Couples Secure Marriage Permits in one day here

The high mark of the year for marriage licenses issued in the county clerk's office in a single day, established Saturday, July 2, was again equalled yesterday when ten couples secured licenses.  
The two-day holiday is believed to be the reason for the over-time work of Dan Cupid.  
Those securing licenses yesterday were William A. Dunigan and Helen L. Yarnell, both of Salem; Lester W. Coiner, Cottage Grove, and Mildred E. Hayes, Salem; Quinn L. Jones and Gladys G. Wilson, both of Salem; Kenneth V. Maguren and Alta M. Chapman, both of Salem; Benjamin D. North of Salem and Mary J. Broker, Portland; Fred Taylor Powers, 31, Rt. 2, Independence, and W. Lillian Richards, 16, Beaune Vista; Byron T. Kendall and Irene V. Koehn, both of Rt. 5, Salem; William Albert Garrett, Corvallis, and Muriel A. Webb, Silverton; Albert S. Panoast, Mill City, and Emma F. Herren, Salem, and Adolph G. Airick and Martha Louise Peterson, both of Silverton.  
A license was issued Friday evening to Walter S. Lankin, deputy county clerk, and Violette M. Peters, whose marriage was an event of last night.

## HOPYARD SERVICES HELD

### Salvation Army to Hold Two Sessions Each Week at Yard

Local Salvation Army forces visited the Horst brothers hopyards Friday night and conducted a campfire meeting at camp three, with an estimated attendance of nearly 500. Assisting the local workers were Captain and Mrs. Guest, and son Verlon, of Oregon City.  
Camp talent was utilized in the program which consisted of vocal and musical numbers.  
Ensign and Mrs. Pitt will continue the Army's services at Horst brothers as they have been doing for the past three seasons, conducting two weekly meetings and two Sunday school sessions at both camps regularly. "There is no service that renders more satisfaction than that of working among hop pickers, whom we have always found to be a respectful as well as enthusiastic audience," said the local army leader.

## THUNDER ROARS IN FOREST FIRE

### TREMENDOUS EXPLOSIONS CAUSED BY GASES, SMOKE

### V. F. Horton, Supervisor, Tells Experiences; Is On Way to This City

PORTLAND, SEPT. 3.—(AP)—Thunder claps heard when the only cloud in the firmament was one of smoke, explosions caused by gases which had been pent up by other gases, cyclonic swirls of air which carried large logs high into the sky as if they were strewn and other phenomena were described by men returning from the scene of the big fires in the Columbia national forest, bordering the Columbia river in the state of Washington.  
F. V. Horton, supervisor of the forest, came from the Hemlock ranger station in the Wind river valley today, and Bruce Hoffman, logging engineer, arrived a day or two ago. Horton was enroute to Salem, where Mrs. Horton is ill in a hospital.  
A large smoke cloud which an aviator estimated was 15,000 feet above the earth apparently caused a thunder storm one day during the fire-fighting. Supervisor Horton told John D. Guthrie, assistant district forester here. There were no other clouds in the sky. Lightning was not seen, but thunder was heard, and the foresters concluded that there must have been lightning.  
Similar phenomena have occurred over volcanoes. Major Guthrie said. It is assumed that during the forest fire an enormous amount of heated air rose from the earth. The rise caused cooler air to rush in below. This condition caused a thunder storm without precipitation.  
Several almost inexplicable explosions were told of. In some cases a curtain of fire, smoke and gas in the tops of the trees set fire to green stuff below; the flames near the ground then generated gases which were pent up by the layer of smoke, heat and fire above. The foresters conjectured.

## Signs Indicate Continuation of Prosperity

### Secretary Hoover Says Everything Points Toward More Good Times

## PRESS GETS INTERVIEW

### Estimates Based on Railroad Freight Volumes, Production of Pig Iron and Other Industrial Conditions

(Following is the first of a series of special articles for Sunday morning newspapers, in which the Associated Press will present interviews with leading figures in finance, industry, agriculture and labor.)  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—(AP)—Trends of trade in the field of American business during the first two thirds of the year 1927, as depicted in commerce department reports and indices, convince Secretary Hoover that the outlook in the next few months is very fair.  
For the Associated Press today, Mr. Hoover set down the bases: "This department does not engage in any opinion, it can merely make a summary of the currents now in progress," the secretary said. "The first seven months of 1927 have disclosed generally a higher state of business activity than was expected after the peak year of 1926.  
**Iron Production High**  
"Loadings of railroad freight for the first seven months are but very slightly under the record loadings experienced in 1926. Pig iron production in the country has been but slightly less than 1926, but greater than 1925. There has been an unanticipated volume of construction kept up  
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## HELD FATHER'S SLAYER

### 20 Year Old Bride Accused After Confessing to Evangelist

REIDSVILLE, N. C., Sept. 3.—(AP)—Arrested as a result of a tip furnished police by an evangelist, Mrs. Alma Gatlin, 26, a bride of two months, is in jail here, charged with the murder of her father, J. Smith Petty.  
Petty has been missing more than a year. Today a body was found buried in the basement of his former home and declared by Sheriff G. F. Smith to be that of Petty.  
Two weeks ago, the Rev. Thomas F. Pardue informed the authorities that a young woman had come to him after one of his revival meetings and confessed slaying her father and disposing of his body. The evangelist could give no clue, however, as to the whereabouts of the body.  
The young bride, whose husband, Eugene S. Gatlin, is chief of the Reidsville fire department, appeared unworried by the charge against her. She said she believed her father had left home and was still alive.

## BIG CLASS ANTICIPATED

### State University Prepares to Handle 1000 New Students

EUGENE, Sept. 3.—(AP)—Preparations to handle at least 1,000, and possibly more, new students at the University of Oregon have been completed, according to Earl M. Pallett, registrar. A total of 857 have already been admitted to the university for the first time and this number is expected to be greatly increased between now and the time the "freshman week" opens Sept. 19, it was stated. Applications are now coming in at a rapid rate, said Mr. Pallett, and officials of the university are urging all prospective students to file their credentials as soon as possible in order to avoid a last minute rush.

## NORTHERNERS IN ATTACK

### Make Attempt Against Nationalists in Vicinity of Shanghai

SHANGHAI, Sept. 3.—(AP)—The northerners today made two unsuccessful attacks against the nationalists in the vicinity of Shanghai.  
A northern military airplane tried to demolish the important Kiangnan arsenal, three miles above Shanghai, on the Hwangshui river. Four bombs fell in the arsenal yard, injuring a workman. All work was suspended immediately.  
Four northern gunboats shelled the Woosung forts, 11 miles north of Shanghai at the mouth of the Woosung river. The forts returned the fire. No damage was done.

## HARRY H. HILL TAKEN, SEATTLE

### ARREST MADE AFTER SEARCH THROUGHOUT COUNTRY

### Fugitive Wanted on Charge of Murdering Own Mother in Illinois

SEATTLE, Sept. 3.—(AP)—Harry H. Hill, wanted in connection with the murder of his mother in Streator, Ill., was arrested here late tonight. "Hill denies the charges that he killed his mother. He admitted his identity, police announced, but declared that he knew nothing of the murder and left Streator because of "trouble" he had had there.  
Hill, sought throughout the United States for the last two weeks, was arrested in the lobby of a hotel two blocks from police headquarters by a police detective.  
He told his captors that the day after his mother's body was found in Streator, he left that city "on account of some difficulty" in which he had become involved. He declined to amplify that statement or give the nature of the supposed difficulty.  
The sale of an automobile in which Hill drove from Streator to Seattle led to his arrest.  
The car, which bore a Minnesota license, was sold here yesterday to a garage. When the sale was reported to the police pawn shop detail, detectives recognized the engine number as that of the machine in which Hill was reported to have left Streator.  
In Hill's hotel room, which was rented under the name of H. Jackson, the detectives found a suitcase containing a set of automobile license plates bearing Illinois number 102-354.  
A detective sat down in the lobby  
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## Young Woman Recounts Her Past Trouble

### Mrs. Irving B. Priest Motors to Salem to Be Near Her Husband

## SILENT ABOUT TRAGEDY

Tells of Meeting Priest at Pocatello; Chance Brought Them to Werline Hop Yard; Dislikes Oregon  
By Victor D. Carlson  
"If another man ever starts to bother me, I'll—"  
Pretty Mrs. Irving B. Priest, who sat in the upstairs lobby of the Capitol hotel last night, recounting for the writer her experiences with men, did not finish the sentence. Her tone and manner, however, were such as to indicate a complete loss of faith in members of the opposite sex.  
The young woman motored in her own car from Dallas Friday evening to be near her husband who is in the Marion county jail here charged with slaying George M. Werline, wealthy independence hop grower, during a quarrel over her affections.  
Mrs. Priest was reticent about the hop yard tragedy which sent one man to his death and another into the hands of the law. But it is her belief that Priest had plenty of reason to challenge Werline.  
"What would you think if a man hung around you all the time and bothered you?" she queried.  
Priest had always been jealous of her, she said. At one time when they were living in Pocatello, Idaho, she wanted to enroll in a business college to study shorthand and typing. Her husband  
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## SHOW ATTRACTS BLOODED HORSES

### SPECIAL STAKES CAUSE MANY TO PLAN FOR EXHIBIT

Seven Sign for Six Horse Hitch Contest; Popularity of Event Grows  
With the purses made up, the classification lists in the hands of the printer and the judges selected, fair officials are rushing final preparations for the opening of the night horse show, slated this year to be a six-night feature of the annual state fair, opening September 26.  
Attracted by three special stakes of \$500 each, one provided by Aaron Frank of Portland for three-gaited horses, another by W. F. Turner of Portland for hunters, and the third for five-gaited animals by an unnamed donor, entries for the show promise to exceed in number and quality of horses those of any previous year. Inquiries and requests for classification lists have been received from owners in all parts of the Pacific coast.  
Out of state entries already listed are E. S. Munford, Stockton, California, Dr. A. E. Graham, Montague, California, J. E. Farrell, of Seattle, and others.  
The entry by Aaron Frank of his \$25,000 team of imported English hackneys, now exhibiting in the California shows with great success, is exciting more than usual comment.  
Success of one of the most popular of the regular horse show events, the competition for six-horse hitches, is assured this year with seven entries already listed, according to J. M. Reynolds, of Corvallis, manager of the show.  
Two hitches have been entered by Frank Burgo, of Albany, and one each by the Damascus Creamery company, Portland; H. V. Merritt, Rosalia, Wash.; George Mills, St. Johns, Wash.; Robert McCroskey, Garfield, Wash.; and Andrew Schab, of Salem.  
Judging in the ring will be done this year by Matt Cohen, of Beverly Hills, California, and draft horses will be judged by Albert Hunter of Le Grand.  
Included among the elder exhibitors who are returning this year are Oswald West, Dr. J. H. Held, Mrs. C. E. Grella, Portland Riding Academy, James Niemi, Mrs. Stanley Smith, Aaron Frank, and W. F. Turner, all of Portland.



BRINGING HOME THE BACON