

# The Oregon Statesman

SEVENTY-SEVENTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, FRIDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 16, 1927

PRICE FIVE CENTS

## FIRST CHURCH REPORTS YEAR AS SUCCESSFUL

Increase in Membership, Finances and Attendance Noted at Meeting

### TAYLOR'S RETURN ASKED

Members Now Number 1432; Money Raised \$38,491; Large Share Goes to Support of Other Institutions

An increase in membership, finances, and attendance was shown by the church roll and budgets presented at the annual meeting of the First Methodist church. Reports from the organization, and church staff indicated that the church is in a prosperous condition. Rev. Fred C. Taylor was unanimously asked to return to the pastorate next year.

The present membership is 1,132 in residence, and there are 250 non-resident members; 120 people joined the church during the year. The Sunday school numbers 1161, including 250 in the cradle roll and 65 in the home department. An average attendance of 750 was had at the church services and 445 at the Sunday school. The Epworth League, Ladies' Aid, and missionary societies are in a flourishing condition.

**Funds Handed Large**  
The total amount of money raised during the year was \$38,491, which included \$10,754 to Willamette university, \$5,142 to missions benevolence, and \$16,448 to the local church budget of expenses and improvements. The ladies' aid society reported by Mrs. H. H. Vandenberg, president, an amount of over \$1200 raised during the year. The W. F. A. reported by Mrs. R. V. Hollenberg an amount of \$1216 and the W. H. M. S. by Mrs. G. A. Alden, \$4166 to their credit.

The Sunday school and leagues paid over \$1000 in their offerings. The year showed the addition to the church property of the lot on the east side of the parsonage which is being lawned and parked this week.

**Staff Re-Elected**  
The church budget adopted for next year was \$11,591, which goes to pay salaries and running expenses.

## FASTER SERVICE OFFERED BY S. P.

CASCADE AND SHASTA TO REDUCE RUNNING TIME

Improved Schedules on other Trains Announced; Bus Line to Start

Thirty minutes will be clipped from the schedule of the "Cascade," the Southern Pacific's de luxe train between Salem and San Francisco beginning September 25th and twenty minutes will be taken off the running time of the "Shasta" on the same date.

The "Cascade" will make the run via Klamath Falls from Salem to San Francisco in 21 hours and fifteen minutes, leaving Salem at 11:47 p. m. and arriving in San Francisco at 9:00 p. m. the following evening.

The "Shasta" will leave Salem at 10:13 a. m. as at present. Another decided improvement in this schedule is that the "Cascade" will make direct connections at Oakland Pier with the "Padre" which is a fast high class train for Los Angeles, enabling passengers to leave Salem 11:47 p. m. and arrive in Los Angeles the second morning at 9:45.

The "Oregonian" No. 13 will leave Salem at 11:45 p. m. by way of Medford and Rogue River valley, arriving in San Francisco at 7:30 a. m. the second morning. The "Oregonian" will carry sleepers for Coos Bay, Southern Oregon, and a newly established local sleeper, Portland to Roseburg, in addition to through sleepers for San Francisco and Sacramento.

This car will return Roseburg to Portland on No. 14, leaving Roseburg at 11:45 p. m. The "Pelican" No. 31 will leave Salem 3:20 a. m. using the Cascade route through Klamath Falls and making connection with the Oregonian at Black Butte for San Francisco. This train will carry sleepers for Eugene and San Francisco.

Northbound fifty minutes will be clipped off the West Coast train, the Los Angeles-Portland flyer, that train arriving in Salem at 6:45 a. m. instead of 7:20 a. m. and making direct connection at Portland for Puget Sound points. The local leaving Salem 11:00

## FARMS WILL PAY WITH IRRIGATION

TURNER MAN TURNS RAIN-DROPS INTO POT OF GOLD

Makes Enough On This Year's Crop to Pay Off Mortgage and Buy Hat

Why do not all farmers in the Willamette valley who have the right kind of land and can get water at the right cost irrigate? That is the biggest question "before the house" today.

It is going to be for a long time.

It will grow increasingly interrogative—till the prismatic colors of the rainbow of the evening will paint the very sky with an imaginary question point. Sure as you were born.

**Take This Case**  
Take this case, Bruce Browne of Turner, a very short time back, could not have induced a banker in Marion county to loan him a \$5 bill on his farm holdings.

This year, from this year's crops, he will pay off his mortgage and other indebtedness, and have at least enough left to buy himself a new hat. What did it? Water. Just water. Irrigation water, from the Santiam ditches.

There is being displayed at the Albany fair this week a hill of potatoes from Bruce Browne's place—46 potatoes out of one hill!

Yesterday two hills of potatoes were turned out; one yielded 17 potatoes, the other 21. The harvest of the two hills weighed 14 pounds. There were only two of the 28 potatoes below the U. S. No. 1 standard, so they were all No. 1 standard, because the allowance is 6 per cent for under sized tubers.

A man wanted to dig some of the Browne potatoes for the culls. He started on the job—and quit. There are no culls.

Mr. Browne has 35 acres of potatoes. They will go 200 to 300 hundred pound sacks to the acre, or more. All No. 1. They are early, known to the trade as "August" potatoes. They have sold for the highest prices of the year in a 10 year record for the United States. Mr. Browne has sold a car

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## ELECT NEW COMMANDER

California Man Chosen by Acclamation to Head Grand Army

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Sept. 15.—(AP)—Eldridge L. Hawk, of Sacramento, Cal., was elected commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic in September in the same regiment. Later he organized Company F, 114th Ohio, and was made first lieutenant. He was promoted to captain after the first battle and was senior captain at the close of the war when he was detailed to assist in mustering out troops at New Orleans after his regiment was discharged.

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The Salem Street Railways, operated by the Southern Pacific company, paid for the discounting of one of its employees yesterday evening, when a representative of the company refused to one Mrs. Smith the seven cents she handed the conductor of a Chemeketa street bus, at Liberty and Court streets.

Mrs. Smith, who has but recently returned from several months spent in Portland, boarded the bus, thinking it would take her out on the 17th and Summer street line. After she had ridden a block, she discovered her error, she reported, but the conductor refused to issue her a transfer.

She proceeded to the city hall where she called up the company, and was given her fare home. Similar occurrences are said to have been reported from the Chemeketa street line.

## TARIFFS MUST BE FILED

Opinion Rendered by Attorney General Van Winkle Yesterday

All interstate carriers are required by law to file with the public service commission interstate tariffs affecting their Oregon business, according to a legal opinion prepared by the attorney general here Thursday. The opinion was requested by the public service commission.

It was said that the railroads operating in Oregon had objected to paying a fee required for the filing of interstate tariffs.

## W. U. FRESHMEN ARRIVE TODAY: 180 EXPECTED

Special Program Arranged to Acquaint New Students With University

### PRESIDENT WILL GREET

Classifying English Examinations to Be Followed by Addresses From Faculty Members, Student Officers

Between 175 and 180 freshmen are expected to arrive on the Willamette university campus today and tomorrow to participate in

activities of Freshmen week preparatory to registration.

After enrollment with the registrar, they will meet in the afternoon at Walter hall to take the English qualifying tests. In the evening, President Doney will speak to them on "The University—Its History, Customs, and

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## ROAD FILL WASHED OUT

Foundation Thought to Be Rock Slides Away; 40 Feet Gone

ASTORIA, Sept. 15.—(AP)—The location of about 35 feet of the Cannon Beach highway will be changed as a result of a slide which took place today at Humboldt Point. The slide carried away about 40 good cubic feet of earth. The slide revealed that the base of the fill was not rock, as supposed, but earth, necessitating a new location.

## LEADING AMERICAN LEGION INVASION OF FRANCE

Among the leaders of the American Legion invading France for the organization's convention are these folk, photographed on the Levee at... Left to right: Charles A. Mills, chief de chemin de fer of the 40 and 8 Legion organization; Howard P. Savage, national commander of the Legion; James M. Mitchell, winner of the American Legion poster competition, with his design "Symbolical Figure of the American Legion"; and Mrs. Adeline Wright Macaulay, president of the American Legion Auxiliary.

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### BRIDGE ENGINEER HERE

Effort Will Be Made to Complete Plans Early in October

With the arrival in Salem of R. A. Furrow, newly appointed special bridge engineer, an informal conference between Mayor T. A. Liversley, C. B. McCullough, bridge engineer for the highway department, City Attorney Fred Williams, and Mr. Furrow was held, regarding construction work on the South Commercial street bridge.

An effort will be made to get plans for the bridge completed by early October so that bids can be called for and the contract awarded in time for some progress before winter sets in.

Mr. Furrow returned to Astoria yesterday afternoon where he will arrange to move his family to Salem.

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### SCALDING WATER FATAL

Mervina Merwin Dies After Day and Half in Hospital

Mervina Merwin, 9, who was seriously scalded at her Horst hop ranch Wednesday, and who has been cared for at a local hospital since that time, passed away a few minutes after midnight this morning.

Her death marks the third fatal hop yard tragedy this week.

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### TRADE COUNCIL MEETS

Foreign Trade Expansion Stressed at Victoria Conference

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 15.—(AP)—A keynote of international good will was sounded today at the opening session of the fifth annual foreign trade council, which has attracted delegates from a score of nations.

The need for continued amity among the nations bordering on the Pacific was principally emphasized by speakers from the United States and Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. engaged in a contest for division of shipping and trade," declared William Pigott, of Seattle, president of the council. "Instead, we are trying to create new demands and find new and undeveloped markets. That is what we mean by expansion of foreign trade."

### MIKE BEST BULLDOGGER

Annual Event Won by Contestant Who Has Two Ribs Broken

PENDLETON, Ore., Sept. 15.—(AP)—With two broken ribs and with his body braced with tape, Mike Hastings today made the fastest time in the bulldogging contest on the second day's program of the annual Pendleton roundup. The ribs were broken a few days ago in a rodeo in Washington. First place in the bulldogging event went to Hastings with an elapsed time of 19 seconds. Bob Crosby was second with 19.1 seconds.

The parade of Indians was the most spectacular event of the day, with hundreds of the tribesmen of the Cayuse, Walla, Walla and Umatilla tribes participating in a gorgeously resplendent array of color and vivid scenes.

### FRANCE HAILS LEGIONNAIRES' HUGE ARMADA

Paris and Other Cities A-flutter With Flags as Convention Nears

CHERBOURG, FRANCE, Sept. 16.—(AP)—(Friday)—The liner Leviathan bearing General Pershing and a contingent of American Legionnaires to the legion convention opening in Paris next week arrived here this morning.

PARIS, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Paris and the Atlantic ports of France were gay with bunting and flags tonight ready to welcome tomorrow and the next day that great peace-time armada which brings the American Legion. A dozen ships with thousands of former American soldiers aboard was nearing the French coast.

Tenth Anniversary  
General John T. Pershing who ten years ago stepped across a sea infected with submarines and entered this country then in the midst of war with a few staff officers will return tomorrow aboard the Leviathan with bands playing and flags flapping in the breeze. The booming guns of French warships and the roar of the motors of the airplanes circling overhead will welcome him and his companions who were once soldiers in his victorious army.

The Leviathan will anchor off Cherbourg sometime after 3 a. m. tomorrow and during the next 24 hours a whole host of warships will disembark an army of hundreds on the shores of France and Belgium, all of them bound for Paris and the convention which opens Monday.

The steamer Republic which reached Cherbourg late tonight and a whole host of warships will arrive tomorrow morning will land hundreds more of the legion. In a drizzling rain that continued throughout the day, Paris workmen finished the job of decking out the French capital for its holiday attire. Tonight along the boulevards and the Champs Elysees and other principal avenues the tricolor of France and the Stars and Stripes fly side by side from hundreds of lamp posts.

### BANK OFFICIALS INDICTED AGAIN

22 COUNTS CHARGE CONSPIRACY AND OTHER CRIMES

Legal Machinery Gets Under Way Against E. Olmstead and J. E. Wheeler

## LINDY WILL FLY LOW OVER CITY THIS MORNING

America's Idol of the Air to Appear Here Between 7:30 and 8 a. m.

### HUNDREDS WILL WATCH

"We" Leaving Portland at 6:30; Silvery Glint of Wings to Differentiate From Flight Manager's Plane

Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh will appear above Salem between 7:30 and 8 o'clock this morning, and probably will circle the city.



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His coming will be heralded by one long blast on the fire department's siren.

The Colonel is also scheduled to fly low over Chemawa and Silverton. Superintendent McGregor, of the Indian school, will telephone immediately when "The Spirit" appears there so that the siren can warn people of his coming.

Manager to Proceed  
The plane bearing Captain Donald Keyhoe, department of commerce representative, and flight manager for the Colonel, will precede that of the lone pilot by half an hour, it is believed.

It is suggested that people observe the time closely and remember that the wings of "The Spirit" have a very pronounced silvery glint, so as not to confuse the two planes.

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## COURT DEFINES PAPER'S RIGHTS

PRIVILEGE ENDS WHERE DEFAMATION BEGINS, HELD

Expression of Opinion in Good Faith and Without Malice Permitted

A newspaper, under the guise of qualified privilege, has no right to defame a person or to injure that which is his most valuable property rights—a good name, but on the other hand, a newspaper is no longer overruled in reference to matters of public interest, to speak with bated breath.

So reads the opinion of the Oregon supreme court, written by Justice Belt in reversing the decision of Judge Evans of the Multnomah county circuit court in a libel action brought by A. K. Peck, Marshfield attorney. The Coos Bay Times Publishing company of Marshfield was the defendant in the circuit court action in which judgments totalling \$1,500 were awarded Peck against the publisher.

Peck charged the Times with publishing two alleged libelous editorials in which Peck was branded dictator of politics in Coos county, and said to have been affiliated with the Ku Klux Klan.

The Marshfield attorney declared the alleged libelous articles brought him into "public hatred, contempt and ridicule."

"When a man enters the political arena, even though not a candidate," the supreme court opinion said, "he must not be too sensitive about criticism. There are generally blows to receive as well as to give."

The Coos Bay Times, as a newspaper, had the right to make fair comment and criticism upon the plaintiff's alleged unavailability in political matters affecting public interest, and it also was within its province to criticize his advocacy of doctrines which it deemed to be fallacious and inimical to the public welfare.

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