

Up to 1871, Salem Was Headquarters for River Navigation in Oregon, and The Hearing Today Points to Revival of Those Times Albany American Legion Opens Airplane Landing Field; Salem Must Get Busy or Other Cities of Oregon Will Be Far in Lead

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Wonder how this excitement over a new motor car in 1928 will compare with the furor over a new popular-priced airplane in 1948.—Boston Transcript.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH YEAR

PRICE FIVE CENTS

KELLEY APPEAL WILL BE TAKEN TO HIGH COURT

Defense Counsel Confident of Final Victory On Habeas Corpus Plea

DENIED BY STATE COURT

Defense Claim That Prisoner Illegally Held Not Sustained, and Held No Excuse for Violent Escape Effort

The case of Ellsworth Kelley, whose habeas corpus plea was denied in the supreme court here Tuesday, will be appealed to the United States supreme court. It was indicated last night by Will R. King, who stated that this intention was concurred in by his counsel in Kelley's defense, Martin L. Pipes.

"Both Judge Pipes and myself having been on the supreme court of this state, we have full realization that newspapers do not always report the full situation notwithstanding their intent to. If the newspaper reports are accurate, as to which I have some doubt, it appears to be held in the Kelley case that it could only be decided in his favor in case the former decision was void.

"It is the opinion of myself and Judge Pipes that it was conclusively established that his conviction and sentence were absolutely void, in which event he should be released from prison."

"Claims Conviction Void"

Judge King observed in the course of his remarks that the supreme court of Oregon conceded that if the former conviction of Kelley is true, he had reasonable grounds to escape, which was not the intention of the law in that the criminal punishment law in Oregon is absolute.

FULOP'S TO HOLD OPENING FEB. 11

REMODELING WORK HASTENED ON DARRY BUILDING

Remodeling work is progressing rapidly on the store room located at 456 State street, in the Darry building which will be occupied when completed by Fulops distinctive men's store. The opening date is set for Saturday, February 11, at which time Fulops plan to broadcast a cordial invitation to the entire community to attend the informal opening.

The Fulops store in Salem will be one link in the chain of stores in Oregon and Washington owned and operated by the Fulops organization. The Eugene store will hold its opening on the same date as the Salem store.

N. J. Fulop, founder of the Fulops chain of stores, came to Oregon 18 years ago from Salt Lake where he was engaged in the clothing business. He started in Oregon with the intention and ambition to build the largest men's clothing business in the northwest.

Through efficient and modern merchandising principles Mr. Fulop has accomplished his task. Today it is conceded that Fulops handle more clothing than any other retail clothiers in the entire northwest.

Statesman Leads In Local News Field

In The Oregon Statesman last month there appeared 1975 local news items and stories, an average of 79 daily. This includes strictly local news written by the office news staff, and does not include country correspondence. The local news, not counting headlines, filled 7396 column inches of space, an average of a little over 13 columns daily. This in addition to all of the editorials, wire news, country correspondence and feature articles.

The Statesman's policy is to give preference to local news, affording it the right of way in the news columns over all other matter. It is the leader in the field in this respect.

QUARANTINE PUT ON MARSHFIELD

ROADS GUARDED LEADING INTO AND OUT OF CITY

Epidemic Comes to Climax With Death of H. L. Johnson, Teacher in High School

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Jan. 31.—(AP)—Marshfield tonight put on a quarantine that is expected to be effective against any future outbreak of infantile paralysis following the death today of H. L. Johnson, 28 year old science teacher in the local high school.

All avenues of ingress and egress are closed to any person under 18 years of age. Three roads leading into the city are guarded. The school board and the city council agreed on measures that should be taken to prevent the spread of infantile paralysis in the city as well as to protect any travelers who might come in recently.

Professor Johnson had been ill since last Friday night but not until yesterday was his case considered serious when various physicians called in consultation pronounced the trouble infantile paralysis.

Friends in the school among the men teachers had been with the patient often during his short illness, and since the disease has attacked those of older age there was an alarm among other teachers who were associated with him as well as students in the high school.

Last resort measures were adopted to save Professor Johnson's life and pulmotor and artificial means were used to promote respiration. Firemen of the city aided and this, together with high school communication and general exposure to what is considered a summary death and contagion, the feeling is high.

BUILDING OUTLOOK GOOD

January Falls Behind 1927 But Beats Same Month of 1926

Although falling well behind the January, 1927, total, building activity in Salem is far from dead. The total for 1927, the year in which all records for construction here were set except that for dwellings, which reached its peak last year.

The month just ended saw \$123,150 worth of construction started, as compared to \$112,650 in January, 1926, and \$207,100 in the same month of 1927.

The principal cause for failure to reach last year's mark was in the fact that in January, 1927, a number of apartment house buildings were started, at a cost of \$64,000; a store and apartment costing \$14,000 and four garages valued at \$2,850, as well as some other miscellaneous items.

In the month just past, 26 permits for new residences were issued for totals of \$71,900, as compared to 32 in the same period last year for values of \$99,850.

Remodeling projects brought the January 1928 total higher than it otherwise would have been, nine such permits being issued for totals of \$50,750 as compared to twelve a year ago for only \$9,450.

VESSEL LOCATES ITSELF

Submarine S-3 Succeeded in Repeating Wireless, Word

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—The submarine S-3 which was lost from sundown Saturday until last night, evidently "found herself."

Secretary Wilbur said today that reports indicated the submarine repaired a broken radio and reported to sister ships in the control force which for 24 hours had been in the midst of a frantic search for her off the North Carolina coast.

On account of the search the S-3 is expected to arrive at her destination, Guantanamo, Cuba, well ahead of her companion craft.

DRINKS MAKE MAN BOSS

Baltimore Wife Has Hubby Arrested When He Revolts

BALTIMORE, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Fortified "by a few drinks" Philip Nagle demanded \$2 to buy a pair of shoes and proclaimed himself boss of the household. Then Mrs. Nagle had him arrested. "I guess you've suffered enough," Magistrate J. J. Rettalata said, freeing him in police court today after Nagle told him: "I turn my pay envelope over to her unopened. She gives me four cigarettes and two street car checks every day. It's only when a friend gives me a drink that I get a chance to declare myself."

JONES MARINE BILL PUT OVER IN U. S. SENATE

Upper House of Congress Defies President Coolidge in Final Vote

U. S. WILL RETAIN SHIPS

Effort to Turn Vessels Over to Private Interests as Recommended by Administration Meets Defeat

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Over the opposition of President Coolidge and administration leaders the senate today passed the Jones bill to extend the American merchant marine and to maintain it under government control.

A combination of democrats and western republicans sent the measure to the house by a vote of 53 to 31 after rejecting by overwhelming votes a long series of amendments put forward in a last-minute attack by those who contend the measure would establish a policy of permanent government ownership and operation of the merchant fleet.

Heeding the demands of President Coolidge for early transfer of the government fleet into private hands administration republicans centered their attack on the provision of the bill requiring unanimous consent of the shipping board for the sale of any vessels hereafter.

Edge Move Defeated

An attempt, however, by Senator Edge, republican, New Jersey, to modify the bill to authorize sale of ships by majority vote of the board was rejected, 52 to 31. A move to permit by republican, Ohio, to permit by sales by vote five of the seven members of the board the narrowest vote of the day the

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COMPANY SAID BANKRUPT

Creditors of Portland Firm Ask It to File Petition

PORTLAND, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Creditors of Overbeck and Cooke company, Portland brokerage house, at a meeting tonight decided to ask the company to file a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. The action resulted from notices posted at the offices of the company this morning notifying clients that the business had been suspended because of financial reverses.

Thirty-five creditors attended the meeting. Exact figures on liabilities and assets were not available. It was said a complete check was being made.

LEAP YEAR HAS SCANT RESULTS

GIRLS FAIL TO MAKE BIG SHOWING IN LICENSES

Total For Month is Only 15, With Poor Prospect For Year's Record

Local girls failed to make a good showing in the matrimonial columns during the first month of Leap Year, statistics in the office of the Marion county clerk reveal.

During January just closed only 15 marriage licenses were issued. This sets a record among minimum totals for one month, whereas many had hopefully anticipated that the record would be a maximum one.

During the past three years, while the men were doing the proposing, it was not unheard of for a single day's total to reach more than half the number reached during the entire month of January this year.

Statisticians have pointed out that unless the present average is increased there will be only 180 marriages here this year.

During the last week when the men were at the bat—the week immediately preceding January 1, 1928—there were considerably more marriage licenses taken out than during all of the first month when the women had a chance to do their stuff.

WET MOVEMENT FLAYED

W. C. T. U. Officers Says U. S. Would See Industrial Chaos

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—(AP)—The United States would be plunged into industrial chaos by the repeal of the Volstead Act, Mrs. Ella A. Boole told prohibition leaders of the nation.

Tonight speaking at a mass meeting of Women's Christian Temperance Union officers and club women from six mid-western states gathered here to inaugurate the presidential year dry crusade, she charged that advocates of repeal have failed to provide any means for control of the liquor traffic.

"Those who would repeal the Volstead act," Mrs. Boole said, "would also repeal state enforcement codes and the logical sequence would be liquor traffic unrestrained by federal or state law. The government would be powerless to supervise or control the manufacture, sale or transportation of it, and even before prohibition such control was necessary and was provided."

WORK ON S-4 CONTINUES

Thirteen Divers Descend After Weather Permits Action

BOSTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Thirteen divers took advantage of perfect weather conditions today to work on the sunken submarine S-4 off Provincetown and tonight the rescue ship Falcon was forcing air down in an effort to unwater ballast tanks.

SPEEDING ACTION ON LIGHTS PLAN

CITY WOULD GRANT TEMPORARY PERMITS, PROPOSED

Responsibility for Accidents Denied Under Purvine's New Ordinance

To speed up the handling of applications for electric street signs, for which there is now an unprecedented demand, and at the same time to safeguard the city from possible legal action in case an erected sign falls and injures someone, Alderman S. E. Purvine, chairman of the council light committee will recommend to the council next Monday that the light committee be given power to act on applications subsequent to later approval, and also to require the sign erectors to sign a paper absolving the city from any blame in case of accidents.

At almost every council meeting, several applications for signs have been read. These have been referred to the light committee, and it has been necessary in many cases for the merchants to await final action by the council two weeks later before proceeding with the work.

It has been charged that some of the signs are too heavy for the supports provided, increasing the accident hazard, and that the city might be liable to an action suit, since approval is given after supposed investigation of the sign's safety. Hence, it will be proposed that merchants be compelled to sign the paper, absolving the city before the committee grants the application.

J. C. Zancker, L. M. Moore, and Paul Meigel, officials of the Electrical Products company of Portland, who were in town yesterday stated that Salem has more electrical signs than any other city of its size on the coast. Mr. Zancker declared that the illuminated displays here were being talked of up and down the valley.

DAILY AIRPORT OPENED

State Officers of American Legion Greet First Plane

ALBANY, Ore., Jan. 31.—(Special)—The first airplane landed on Albany's new aviation field, sponsored by the American Legion post, today and was greeted by state officers of the legion who were here attending the District No. 3 conference.

The landing field is located a mile and a half out of town and consists of 70 acres with a natural gravel surface, requiring little preparation.

About 150 legion men attended the conference, meetings being held in the afternoon and evening. State Commander George E. Love explained the present status of national legislation with respect to ex-service men. Carl R. Moser, state adjutant, explained the state laws including the bonus and educational fund. Irl S. McSherry, state vice-commander, discussed legion membership from the state and national standpoint.

VIRGIN ISLANDS GREET YANKEE AVIATION HERO

Lindbergh Completes 1050 Mile Flight in 10 Hours and Quarter

21 GUNS BOOM SALUTE

Native Belle Presents Ace With Bouquet as he Steps From Famous Airplane "Spirit of St. Louis"

ST. THOMAS, Virgin Islands, Jan. 31.—(AP)—A presidential salute of 21 guns announced to Virgin Islanders today that Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh had completed another lap of his good-will tour.

Rain cut down the size of the crowd at the golf course where he landed but it was estimated that 2,000 persons were present to cheer as he dropped out of the sky at the end of the 1,050 mile segment of the Caribbean circle he is negotiating. The hop from Caracas, Venezuela, required 10 hours and 15 minutes.

The entire region was notified of his approach by the firing of two cannon and the ringing of church bells. The city of St. Thomas went wild with excitement and enthusiasm when it knew that America's favorite flier was near.

Showers Cause

It had rained most of the day but shortly before the arrival the sun broke through the clouds to light up the golf course three miles west of the city, where bunkers, sand traps and other hazards had been leveled to give a broad fairway.

Even after the appearance of the famous "Spirit of St. Louis" there was a short period of suspense as an aviator from Porto Rico who made a test flight recently to try out the field had refused to risk landing.

Lindbergh however, who alighted

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KIDNAPING FARCE NIPPED

Nathan Sherman of Alhambra Attempts Unique Stunt

ALHAMBRA, Cal., Jan. 31.—(AP)—Nathan Sherman, previously reported kidnaped from his home in Alhambra, and held for ransom in San Diego, is being held for his parents by Saan Diego authorities.

The boy was picked up when he called at the San Diego post office for ransom money. Police said he admitted he wrote the ransom letter himself.

The boy said he had run away from home and became desperate for money when the small amount he had with him had been spent.

The idea of ransom money seemed the easiest way to get money from home he said. In a letter to his parents, received by them today, he signed the name Joe Percy and requested \$200 for his return.

HOOVER GIVEN BACKING

California Representatives Vote for Commerce Secretary

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—The republican members of the house from California tonight unanimously endorsed Secretary Hoover for the party's presidential nomination.

Representative Curry, dean of the delegation, said later that all ten of the California house republicans were present and that there was no dissenting voice.

The action was taken, he declared, not from a sectional point of view but because of Mr. Hoover's national and international prominence. The two senators from his state, one of whom is Hiram Johnson, a formidable presidential candidate in the past, were not invited to attend the meeting, Mr. Curry added.

SENATE GIVEN SHINGLE

Dill of State of Washington Introduces Unique Article

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—The senate got both a surprise and a laugh today when Senator Dill of Washington submitted a shingle for "appropriate reference" to the finance committee. It came from the senator's state and he warned that it was the forerunner of 5,000 others which will be sent to congress in the campaign for a tariff duty for the shingle industry of the Pacific northwest.

HICKMAN INSANE STUDENTS AVER

DEPOSITIONS BY SCHOOL MATES READ AT TRIAL

Physicians' Reports Given in Case of Mother, Said to Have "Simple Depression"

HALL OF JUSTICE, Los Angeles, Jan. 31.—(AP)—An array of school boy depositions was paraded through the sanity trial of William Edward Hickman this afternoon by defense attorneys who offered terms of "abnormal" and "eccentric" as the judgment of youths in their teens as to the mental condition of their brilliant school mate.

While some of Hickman's Kansas City school mates thought he acted "peculiar" and "not consistent" during his senior high school year, others believed him upset, disgusted and morose from failing to win a coveted oratorical prize and from a "bust up" with a girl friend.

Under cross examination of the state's officer, James Costello, several had admitted they did not think of Hickman as being insane until after Marian Parker was kidnaped and killed and one as late as September last did not believe him insane or see "any great change."

Mother Analyzed

Earlier in the day Mrs. Eva Hickman, the defendant's mother, was disclosed by Arkansas Physicians' reports and depositions as suffering in 1913 from "simple depression." This was held to be the result of her worry over a family of five children and a husband whom Dr. P. H. Ruth testified "generally was known as being unfaithful to her."

The woman was testified to have been legally sane or "able to distinguish between right and wrong" when she was at the Little Rock state hospital for nervous diseases. The hospital superintendent deposed that Mrs. Hickman's illness was temporary and generally considered curable, and that she was paroled as in a "natural state of health."

She attempted suicide, a witness deposed, was to spite her wayward husband and not because of any mental illness.

Formerly Believed Sane

Late in the afternoon a final deposition from a school mate disclosed that C. M. McFarland had never thought of insanity in connection with Hickman until he heard of the crime. He testified that his opinion the youth was insane was based exclusively on that crime.

Hickman's high school principal, Otto F. Dubach, testified that Hickman was a brilliant scholar but not as steady as his older

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FORBES SUED BY WIFE

Secretary of Public Service Commission Named in Action

ASTORIA, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Sue for divorce in which she charged cruel and inhuman treatment was filed in circuit court here today by Mrs. Polly Forbes against Benjamin F. Forbes, Jr., Salem, secretary of the state public service commission. Mrs. Forbes, an Astoria girl, alleged in her complaint that she moved to Salem with her husband and four days later he told her to go home. Since then, her complaint states, Forbes has refused to provide a home for her or contribute to her support.

The plaintiff asks that her maiden name, Polly Tingosvik, be restored.

McAFEE DIES SUDDENLY

Secretary of Salem Business Men's League Passes Away

George E. McAfee, 61, for many years secretary of the Salem Business Men's league, died suddenly at a local hospital at 10:45 last night. Death came following a surgical operation.

He is survived by his widow, Rovilla McAfee, daughters Mrs. Gladys R. Gosser of Freeport, Illinois, Mrs. Lottie G. Stettler of Salem and Miss Janice E. McAfee of Salem, his father, Samuel B. McAfee of Augusta, Illinois, as well as four brothers and two sisters, also living in Illinois.

Mr. McAfee lived on the river road a few miles north of Salem.

POPULATION ESTIMATED

U. S. to Have Over 128 Millions in 1980, Prediction

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—An estimate that the population of continental United States in 1930 will total 123,283,325 was given by Dr. Joseph A. Hill, assistant director of the census bureau today to the house census committee which is framing the bill for the operation of the census two years hence.

The 1920 census placed the population of continental United States at 105,710,620.

NAVIGATION HAS EARLY HISTORY ON WILLAMETTE

Hearing Today Attracting Old Time Boatmen; See Great Development

FREIGHTS WILL BE LOW

River in Use 116 Years; Biggest Steamboat Company in Oregon Had Headquarters Here Prior to 1871

For 116 years the Willamette river has been utilized for carrying produce from Salem. Before the coming of the railroad, for a number of years, Salem was headquarters for the largest river navigation company in Oregon, and the officers and stockholders were among the most prominent people of the capital city. This was the People's Transportation company, and at the time of the sale to the railroad people that company had 18 to 20 steamboats, operating on the Willamette from Canemah to Eugene.

The Hearing Today

These facts are recalled by some of the old time steamboat men who are in Salem to attend the hearing of the United States engineers, beginning at 10:30 this morning, at the Salem Chamber of Commerce rooms—to take testimony concerning the feasibility of improving the river so as to maintain a boating and barging stage the year through.

Capt. Wm. Lumm, who owns the Geo. W. Bates and the Relief, is here. The Bates is doing towing now, and the Relief is idle.

Capt. Geo. M. Walker is here. He owns the Woodland, which is idle at Portland at the present time. This was formerly a government boat.

More river men will be here to

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FIRST REVIEWER TELLS OF HELEN

EVERYONE CRITICS; OPPORTUNITY TO TELL STORY

Wonderful Picture Opened Yesterday at Elsinore for Brief Showing

We knew it! Every man, woman and child in Salem is a critic at heart. Every mail brings a new flock of manuscripts in our "Helen of Troy, Amateur Review Contest."

We print today one of the first contributions received today. Remember we will pay \$1 for every manuscript printed, whether or not it qualifies for a prize. And next Saturday we will print the name of the grand prize winner of the week who will receive \$16 in cash.

"The Private Life of Helen of Troy" opened only yesterday at the Elsinore theater, and already we are deluged with amateur reviews. But keep up the good work. We have arranged to examine all manuscripts received as they arrive, and will keep the judges working overtime to select the winners.

The prizes, remember, will be awarded at the office of The Statesman each day following publication and during the showing of the First National production "The Private Life of Helen of Troy."

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Review "Private Life of Helen of Troy" Rules

The contest is open to everyone, irrespective of age or sex, except employees of this newspaper, First National Pictures, Inc., and the Elsinore theater and members of their families.

Reviews must be legibly written on one side of the paper, must not exceed 100 words in length, and must be addressed to the "Helen of Troy Review Editor," Statesman. No review can be returned.

For reviews selected for reproduction in this paper \$1.00 each will be paid. For the best review received during the period of the contest, which ends Feb. 4 a grand prize of \$10.00 will be given.

The decisions of the judges shall be final. Manuscripts must be in this office before 5 p. m. each day starting the day picture opens Tuesday, Jan. 31.

