

# The Oregon Statesman

Weather forecast: Fair; continued cool; gentle to moderate north and northwest winds. Maximum temperature yesterday 50, minimum 34, river 2.7, rainfall .01, atmosphere clear, wind southwest.

Politicians will need the aid of the new invisible ray to find anything but Hoover sentiment in Oregon.—The Bend Bulletin.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 15, 1928

PRICE FIVE CENTS

## BETTER HOMES SHOW GROWING IN ATTRACTION

Crowds Continue To Flock To Armory For Second Day of Exhibition

### PROGRAM EACH EVENING

Suggestions For Easier and More Pleasant Homekeeping Proved Practical; Entertainment Accorded Applause

Salem's "Better Homes" exposition, sponsored by the Salem Realty board, completed its second day of showing last night with a good crowd in attendance to enjoy the program and exhibits of household appliances, both modern and handy, which bask for the "better home."

A large number of Salem merchants have occupied the nearly 40 booths erected in the armory and brought the latest ideas for the easing of the housewife's routine, particularly.

**Suggestions Practical**  
Here the lady of the home may view household necessities from flour and groceries to the newest quirk in washing machines or electrical appliances. There are things there of interest to the man of the house, too.

The program last night was acceptable to the audience, if applause be any indication. Each night a vaudeville show is given by Bolton and Smith, directors of the exposition, as part of the general evening's program.

The greatest attraction on the vaudeville is the "Four Merry Saxes" quartet, recently from the Orpheum circuit. This variety program is changed each night.

**Local Folk Entertain**  
Part of the evening's entertainment is furnished by local talent: Thomas Brothers orchestra; the "Cottage Garden" revue with seven Salem young ladies in Chinese attire in a pleasing arrangement and a miniature adagio by six year old Pauline Zoe Chambers

## OWN HOME PORT HAILS LINDBERGH

LEVEE FILLED FOR TEN BLOCKS BY HUGE CROWDS

Sixty Thousand Adults and School Children Acclaim Extraordinary Flyer

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 14.—(AP)—More than 60,000 school children and adults, filling the levee for ten city blocks, cheered Charles A. Lindbergh who gave a 27 minute flying exhibition on the Mississippi river front this afternoon.

The famous aviator in his ocean-spanning "Spirit of St. Louis," in which he had just returned from Central and South America, acknowledged the shouts and flag waving of the levee throng by low and sidewise flying until the crowd felt its acquaintance with him had been thoroughly established.

Then he circled East St. Louis and the downtown and residence sections of St. Louis before returning to the starting point, Lambert-St. Louis field.

Colonel Lindbergh descended once to within 50 feet of the water. The crowd got its thrills from the nonchalant way in which he tipped his plane to one side, his usual manner of acknowledging a crowd's attentions and from the way he stalled, holding his plane almost motionless against the west wind, 30 or 40 seconds at a time.

For an hour before the colonel's appearance, the levee was in carnival trim. Fire and drum corps of a dozen schools kept up a racket, vendors from everywhere

## Many Women Attending Cooking School, Armory

Hours Are From 3 to 4:30 Each Afternoon Up To and Including Friday; Helpful Instruction Given Housewives By Experts

A large crowd of interested housewives gathered at the armory yesterday afternoon from three to four-thirty o'clock and learned a number of new ways of tempting the lagging appetites of husbands and children which at this season of the year are often greatly in need of tempting.

The first demonstration of the afternoon was cooky making. Not the tedious, old-fashioned cooky-making which involved stirring and stirring, and then kneading, cutting, and re-kneading until all the

## REMODEL WING OF HIGH SCHOOL

CONTRACT LET BY BOARD TO BARHAM BROTHERS

Dressing Rooms For Girls to be Improved; Have Been Inadequate

Barham Brothers were awarded the contract last night by the school board to remodel the northeast corner of the fourth floor of the high school to provide better quarters for the girls' dressing room. Their bid was \$2290, against an estimate by Architect Lyle Bartholomew of approximately \$2,000.

Other bidders for the general contract were J. W. Arnett, \$2,950; and Wenger Brothers, \$3,448.

J. A. Bernardi was successful bidder for the plumbing work with a figure of \$631, and Brownell Electric company was awarded the contract for electrical work on a bid of \$262.

Architect Lyle Bartholomew announced that the work would commence within a week, and that it would be carried on in such a way as to minimize interference with class and gym work.

The girls' dressing room in the past has been dark and poorly ventilated. There are practically no windows. Since the gym was remodeled two years ago, and made into additional class rooms, the girls have been using the boys' gymnasium for physical training work. The showers, however, have been kept in the west end of the building, a considerable distance from the dressing rooms.

Under the new plan, the dressing room will be enlarged, twelve showers will be installed, and a corrective room and an office for the physical director will be provided.

Changes also will be made in the boys' physical education department, with a new office established for Coach Louie Anderson near the gymnasium.

## BUS SKIDS ON HIGHWAY

Three Passengers Hurt as Pickwick Stage Goes Off Road

EUGENE, Feb. 14.—(AP)—When its wheels locked as the driver, Thomas Savage, applied the brakes, a Pickwick stage, southbound, skidded on the icy pavement of the Pacific highway six miles south of Cottage Grove early this morning and crashed into the concrete approach to a bridge. Three persons were injured and a few other persons shaken up. The injured are: George Lewis, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, back wrenched and cuts on arms and legs.

La Verne White, Clam Falls, Wis., cuts over eye and bruises. Oliver Huff, 310 East Ninth St., Portland, bruised back and leg. The injured were rushed to a hospital here by ambulance.

## WRECK KILLS TRAINMAN

Fireman Dies and Engineer Fatally Injured in Accident

ROSWELL, N. M., Feb. 14.—(AP)—J. T. Knight of Clovis, N. M., fireman of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe train number 32, northbound on the Pecos Valley division, is dead and Engineer C. G. Withers, also of Clovis, is believed to have been fatally injured when the train ran into an open switch near Acme, 18 miles north of this city at 5:45 p. m. today.

## NEW OUTBREAK OF CIVIL WAR SEEN IN CHINA

Nationalist Drive Planned Hurling 300,000 Men Against Peking

### CHIANG, FENG COMBINE

Conference Held Between Two Leaders, Who Plan to Launch Concerted Push Northward At Early Date

SHANGHAI, Feb. 14.—(AP)—General Chiang Kai-shek, who recently resumed command of the nationalist armies is now planning a new campaign on Peking and the north with a combined nationalist army of 300,000 men.

Kuomin, the nationalist news agency today announced that Chiang Kai-shek and General Feng Yu-hsiang, once known as the "Christian general" and now commander of the national peasant's army have been laying plans for the drive in a conference at Kailing in the province of Honan.

Feng Yu-hsiang and Yen Shih-shan, governor of the province of Shansi who made an unsuccessful onslaught on Peking last year, are planning to participate in the campaign and to place their forces under the centralized control of Chiang Kai-shek, who two years ago led the nationalists northward from Canton and snatched the Yangtze valley from the northerners.

**Armies to Combine**  
The plans, as announced today call for a push by the combined forces of Chiang and Feng northward into the provinces of Shantung and Chihli. Yen's troops will concentrate northwest of Peking

## HILL JURY DELIBERATES

Prosecution Makes No Demand For Extreme Penalty

OTTAWA, Ill., Feb. 14.—(AP)—A jury of which no demand for the death penalty was made tonight deliberated the fate of Harry Hill, Streator youth accused of matricide.

The case of the boy charged with shooting his mother and burying her body in the basement of their Streator home went to the jury shortly afternoon with instructions from the judge that the death penalty might be assessed, but with no request for it by the state.

An unexpected move by the defense sent the case to the jury a day ahead of schedule, when Hill's attorneys waived closing, arguing that after arraignment of the youth by Russell Hanson, state's attorney who insisted the boy's guilt had been proven, but did not ask that the youth be sent to the electric chair because he said if Hill's mother were alive she would not wish it. He asked the jury however, to fix a punishment to fit the crime.

## SENTENCE "FOX" EXPECT APPEAL

NEXT MOVE TO UNWIND RED TAPE ANTICIPATED SOON

Hickman Smiles Before Battery of Cameras Ten Minutes After Date Set

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 14.—(AP)—A trail of banditry and lawlessness that culminated in kidnaping and murder, brought William Edward Hickman to the foot of the gallows today.

Standing erect and pale but composed, before a veteran of the California bench, Judge J. J. Trabucco, the 20 year old killer of Marian Parker heard his sentence—death by hanging April 27 next in San Quentin prison.

Hickman dropped into his chair as the judge finished in a low tone:

"And may God have mercy on your soul," he looked straight ahead, apparently the same emotionless prisoner he has been throughout his trial for sanity.

Handcuffed, Hickman was led from the court that ten minutes later he was brought back, this time smiling, while newspaper photographers took his picture.

**Little Time Wasted**  
As it started, so ended Hickman's hearing on his plea that he was not guilty by reason of insanity of the murder of Marian Parker. The wheels of justice, under the throttle hand of Judge Trabucco, ground swiftly. Defense Attorney Jerome Walsh moved for a new trial.

"Motion denied," said the judge. The attorney questioned Judge Trabucco's jurisdiction to sentence the prisoner.

"Objection overruled," came from the bench.

He ordered witnesses put into the box to fix, by their testimony, Hickman's degree of guilt.

Dr. A. F. Wagner, county autopsy surgeon, told of the condition of Marian Parker's mutilated body as it was cast by Hickman at her father's feet the evening of December 17.

**Confession Repeated**  
Chief of Detectives Herman Cline, who obtained Hickman's confession told of that.

The court ordered Hickman to his feet and, looking down from the bench on the short, slight killer, who stood, heels together and hands at his sides, Judge Trabucco said:

"For the crime of murder, you shall suffer the penalty of death."

The remaining of the prescribed form followed, fixing the date, April 27, and ordering the intervening incarceration of the prisoner.

## MRS. COOLIDGE YET ILL

Mistress of White House Unable to be Present at Dinner

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—(AP)—For the second time since becoming mistress of the White House, Mrs. Coolidge was prevented tonight by illness from attending a "cabinet" dinner given at the president's and her honor.

Confined to her room by a cold which has bothered her for a week she was unable to accompany Mr. Coolidge to the dinner given by Secretary Work in the Pan-American Union building. Mrs. A. W. Bissell of Evanston, Ill., a daughter of the secretary of the interior, was hostess at the function.

## SALEM HOOVER SUPPORT WILL FORM TONIGHT

Arrangements Completed for Meeting At Courthouse At 7:30 o'Clock

### NEED OF BACKING SEEN

Organization in Hoover Strong; Efforts of Politicians to "Hand Pick" Nominee

Arrangements were completed last night for the meeting this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the courthouse, when local people favoring Herbert Hoover for president will organize. The meeting is scheduled to be held in the courtroom of department No. 1 of the circuit court.

Fred E. Kiddle, state manager of the Hoover campaign, is temporarily absent from his Portland headquarters, having gone to eastern Oregon for a few days, and so will not be able to attend this meeting, to which he recently gave his approval.

**Miles to Preside**  
B. C. Miles, who knew Herbert Hoover as a boy and has visited with him frequently in the intervening years, the last occasion being only a short time ago in Washington, D. C., will preside at tonight's meeting.

No special effort to obtain a large turnout of Hoover supporters tonight has been made, as this is merely a preliminary organization meeting and the task of signing up members in the club will be undertaken later.

Many friends of Hoover's candidacy are welcome to attend, those in charge of the meeting have announced.

**Seek Solid Backing**  
The reason for organizing a Hoover for President club here was outlined yesterday by persons who have been urging such a club. While Hoover is expected to carry Oregon in the primaries by an overwhelming majority, this is only one state out of forty-eight, and especially in some of the eastern states, his candidacy will be strenuously opposed by the political leaders who hope to nominate a candidate of their own choosing who will be amenable to their policies.

In opposition to this effort to "hand pick" a nominee, all of the organized support that can be mustered will be needed to head off a "stampeding" of delegates at the republican convention at Kansas City, it was declared.

If Hoover backers organize solidly in the states where he is a strong favorite, this danger will be overcome, it was believed by persons here who are versed in the trends of national politics.

## FOUR VALENTINE BRIDES

That Many Marriage Licenses Issued Here on Tuesday

That the girls hereabouts are at last beginning to come into their own, after a slight lull at the outset of last year, which occurred a month and a half ago, was indicated yesterday when four successful brides celebrated St. Valentine's day by leading four men to the altar.

The four marriage licenses that were issued yesterday from the office of the Marion county clerk represented the largest number that has been issued on any single day this year.

Couples to whom licenses were issued were:

Willie S. Rue, 27, of Silverton, and Teckia Rusuh, 25, of Mt. Angel.

Shuman C. Campbell, 56, of Woodburn, and Lena Hart, 42, of Salem. The marriage is his second and her third.

Alexander C. Smith, 24, Seattle, and Marian R. Sellers, 19, of Salem.

Fred A. Kampe, 32, of Meadowgrove, Nebraska, and Minnie G. Bohlsen, 22, of Salem.

## SAFE CRACKERS CONFESS

Alleged Crooks Taken at Eugene Admit Crimes at San Jose

SAN JOSE, Cal., Feb. 14.—(AP)—Archie Eddy and Bob Colman, two alleged safe crackers arrested a week ago at Eugene, Ore., and returned to San Jose, have confessed, Chief of Jolice J. N. Black said today to robbing three safes in San Jose and 23 in Sacramento. The pair were arrested on clues picked up here ten days ago when they fled as a policeman interrupted them in the act of robbing a safe.

## POWER PERMITS IN STATE HANDS

ENGINEER'S APPROVAL REQUIRED FIRST, RULING

Leaves Question of Power vs. Fishing Up to Rhea Luper, Explained

Approval of the state engineer of Oregon to a permit for water appropriation is necessary before the federal power commission will issue licenses or preliminary permits for the development of power on Oregon streams.

This was announced here Tuesday by Rhea Luper, state engineer, who while in Washington recently conferred with members of the federal power commissions.

It was said that some confusion has arisen due to a law enacted by the 1927 legislature providing that where a permit from the federal power commission is required in connection with the development of a proposed project the time to be allowed for the beginning and completion of construction under permits from the state engineer shall be made to conform to the dates for such beginning and completion in the permit or license issued by the federal power commission.

The state engineer said this law indicated that the federal permit must be issued first in order that the state engineering department would have knowledge of the terms or restrictions included in the license.

Mr. Luper said it was his opinion that the state should retain complete control over the appropriation of water and the development of its water resources and that this right should not be invaded by the federal government.

Mr. Luper said he has reached an agreement with the federal power commission that it will give advance notice of the terms that will be imposed in federal licenses or permits and that such licenses will not be issued until the applicant has obtained a water right from the state engineer.

Many controversies were said to have arisen recently relative to the construction of dams, especially in lower Rogue river and in the McKenzie river which may impair the value of these streams for fishing purposes.

The state engineer said this is

## OIL QUIZ REACHES N. Y.

Million Dollar Liberty Bond Transactions Traced

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Investigators of the senate Teapot Dome committee are in New York tracing down the \$1,000,000 liberty bond transactions which the New York Trust company had for the account of H. M. Blackmer, wealthy oil operator and exile from his country since the oil scandal broke four years ago.

In disclosing this today, Chairman Nye said that the investigators had obtained some good leads and that he hoped they would be able to furnish information as to transfers of the bonds in sizeable blocks which would materially aid the committee in quest of the \$3,080,000 in Liberty bonds which formed the profits of the Continental Trading company.

## EARL OF OXFORD PASSES

Death Takes Prominent Member of British Nobility

SUTTON COURTENAY, England, Feb. 15.—(AP)—The Earl of Oxford and Asquith Henry H. Asquith died here at 6:50 a. m. today.

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## BRIBE CHARGE RELATED

Jury Hears Sensational Account of Indiana Politics

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 14.—(AP)—The story of the alleged effort to bribe Governor Warren T. McCray in 1923 to name James E. McDonald as Marion county (Indiana) prosecutor was told the jury in the trial of Governor Ed Jackson here today.

The indictment on which Governor Jackson was brought into court charges him with having had a part in the alleged bribery attempt.

Introduction of testimony followed a sensational flapup by D. C. Stephenson, former grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan, brought from prison where he is serving a life sentence for murder, to be the state's first witness.

## BUILDING'S FINANCING AFFIRMED

Supreme Court Decides Board of Control May Borrow for Building

### RULING BENEFITS STATE AND CITY

Structure Will Be Started This Spring, Indicated

### REVERSE OPINION

No Violation of Constitution Found In Proposal To Borrow from Accident Commission; Obligation Technical

One more \$600,000 skyscraper in Salem, adequate housing for offices of the state of Oregon for many years to come, elimination of the excuse for maintaining these offices elsewhere; these are some of the things that the supreme court decision of Tuesday holding that the state board of control has authority under the constitution to borrow \$600,000 from the industrial accident commission means to Salem.

This decision is taken to mean the removal of all impediments to construction of the new building, and according to State Treasurer T. B. Kay, work will probably be started early in the spring.

**Opinion By Rossmann**  
The opinion was written by Justice Rossmann and reversed Judge L. H. McMahan of the Marion county circuit court in a suit filed by the Eastern and Western Lumber company to restrain the state board of control from borrowing funds of the industrial accident commission for building purposes.

Concurring in the predominant opinion were Justices McBride, Belt and Coshaw. Justices Rand, Brown and Bean dissented.

**Decision Reversed**  
The suit came before the supreme court on a rehearing. At the time the case previously was argued Justice Burnard wrote an opinion in which he held that the board of control was without authority to contract an indebtedness in excess of \$50,000. Justices Rand, Brown and Bean concurred in the opinion written by Justice Burnard.

Following the death of Justice

## TRIAL STARTED ANDERSON CASE

RADIO SETS ALLEGED STOLEN ARE IDENTIFIED

State Also Traces Them To Turner Garage When They Disappeared

A network of testimony by means of which the state hopes to convict Walford T. Anderson of receiving stolen radio sets, was given by Anderson at his trial in circuit court here yesterday afternoon, following selection of the jury in the forenoon and early afternoon.

When court adjourned until today the state had finished putting on a large part of its evidence. Radio sets had been traced as far as Ball Brothers' garage in Turner, from which it has been charged the sets were stolen and subsequently came into Anderson's possession.

Then two Stayton residents were put on the stand, each testifying that he had received a radio set from Anderson with a view to purchasing it.

John Thoma of Stayton testified that he had received such a set, indicating that the price of the set

## PROPOSED STATE OFFICE BUILDING



The above drawing is an exterior view of the state office building as it will appear if the plans prepared by W. C. Knighton, architect employed by the state to design this structure, are adopted by the board of control. The building in this picture is viewed from Court street looking south, and shows how the lower three stories of the proposed structure are planned to duplicate the present supreme court building, while the remainder will extend upward eight stories with a smaller area.

## FREE COUPON AFTERNOON ONLY

This Coupon will admit one free to the Better Homes Cooking school at the Armory today, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday afternoons.

The Coupon is furnished through the courtesy of The Willamette Grocery, H. L. Stiff Furniture Store and The Statesman Publishing Co.

## Green Matinee

Elsinore Theatre

Saturday Afternoon

Watch for the coupon in the Friday Market section of The Statesman. The picture will be "Under the Tonto Sign," from Zane Grey's latest book.

See Coupon in Friday's Market section for particulars.