

West Salem Has No Boom, But There Is a Marked Increase of an Already Vigorous Building Activity in the Live West Side City Because It's Liveliest Center of American Legion Activity in Oregon, Salem Was Honored by Being Host to Commander Spafford

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PRICE FIVE CENTS

MERGER PLANS FOR PORTLAND SNOWED UNDER

Voters Voice Disapproval of Proposed Combination of Companies

MAJORITY ABOUT 2 TO 1

Complete Returns Show 30,028 Opposed to Consolidation and With 14,513 in Favor; 427 Precincts

PORTLAND, April 9.—(AP)—The Portland electorate today voted a decisive "no" against the proposed merger of the Northwest Electric company with the Portland Electric Power company. The election was necessary inasmuch as the Northwest franchise provides that a favorable vote of the people or an ordinance of the city council must be had before the properties may be sold.

Complete returns from the 427 precincts of the city gave: For the merger 14,513; against the merger 30,028.

The merger was proposed by officials of the Portland Electric Power company and the Northwest Electric company and because of the endorsement of the city council which in turn put the proposal up to the vote of the people.

McMAHAN FILES FOR HIGH COURT

CIRCUIT JUDGE CANDIDATE FOR STATE OFFICE

Senator Walsh in Oregon Race For Democratic Presidential Choice

L. H. McMahan, circuit judge for Marion and Linn counties, Monday filed with the secretary of state his declaration of candidacy for the republican nomination for justice of the state supreme court.

Other filings received here Monday follow: Elisha A. Baker, 728 East 21st street, North Portland, for election as a delegate to the republican national convention.

G. Lane Goodell, 944 Bryce avenue, Portland, for election as a delegate to the republican national convention.

Jack N. Barde, 800 Park avenue, Portland, for the republican nomination for representative in the legislature for the 18th representative district, comprising Multnomah county.

Frank G. Smith, 925 East Irving street, Portland, for the republican nomination for representative for the 18th representative district, comprising Multnomah county.

C. D. Wallace, Baker, for the republican nomination for district attorney for Baker county.

JURY ALL PICKED SINCLAIR'S CASE

ALL TWELVE LOCKED UP AS SOON AS SELECTED

Little Over Three Hours Consumed by Justice Bailey; Trial Starts Today

WASHINGTON, April 9.—(AP)—Establishing a record in selecting an all case jury, Justice Jennings Bailey had under lock tonight the 12 men who will decide the guilt or innocence of Harry F. Sinclair, charged with defrauding the government in the lease of the Teapot Dome naval oil reserve.

It took three panels to make up the jury. Many of the veniremen examined were excused because they said they had formed opinions as to the guilt or innocence of the defendant that could not be shaken by the evidence.

Counsel for both the defense and the prosecution announced themselves well satisfied with the makeup of the jury and as Sinclair left the courtroom with Mrs. Sinclair, he reiterated he was confident of acquittal.

MEDIUMS FALSE, CLAIM

Mother of Kidnaped Boy Declared Predictions Untrue

LOS ANGELES, Apr. 9.—(AP)—The continued promises of spiritualist mediums that her missing son Walter would return to her on Easter Sunday, led his mother, Mrs. Christine Collins, to buy him a new suit of clothes on Saturday. The boy, who had been missing since March 10, is believed by the police to have been kidnaped. Easter having come and gone with no Walter, Mrs. Collins reported the incident to the police today.

KIDDIES AT WHITE HOUSE

Roll Easter Eggs Upon Lawn in Accordance With Custom

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9.—(AP)—Joyfully pursuing the well-established custom of Easter Monday, Washington children thronged the White House grounds today to roll their Easter eggs on the spacious lawns.

COURT CARRIED ON SHIP

Marshals and Judges Taken Into Alaska on U. S. Cutters

SEATTLE, April 9.—(AP)—To bring law into the isolated regions of Alaska and to act as emergency rescuers of distressed commercial craft in the Bering sea region the coast guard cutters Haida and Unalga will sail for Unalaska April 11. The Haida will sail from Seattle and the Unalga from Dixon's Entrance. Captain C. S. Cochran in charge of operations in that section arrived today from San Francisco and will take over the Haida. The commanders of the cutters have powers of deputy United States marshals and instead of calling offenders before a district court the Haida will serve as a court and will proceed in the case of the crime. A federal judge will be taken aboard from an Alaska port.

CHICAGO WARD OFFICIAL SAID SPIRITED AWAY

Long Anticipated Election Takes Place Today; Whole City On Edge

CONTEST VERY HEATED

Fight All Along Line Is Between Forces of Mayor William Hale Thompson and Sen. Charles Deneen

CHICAGO, Apr. 10.—(AP)—Titus Haffa, 43rd ward alderman and Thompson candidate for commissioner at today's state wide primary election, was reported from his headquarters shortly after midnight to have been kidnaped.

George Ringler, Haffa's secretary, sent 10 men in search of the alderman who recently was indicted by a federal grand jury on charges of prohibition law violation. Haffa was last seen at 8:00 o'clock last night in front of a hotel at Clark street and North avenue.

Eighty detective squads early today were sent on patrol duty to prevent the kidnaping of candidates following threats of such action. The squads were ordered to stop all cars between 2 a. m. and dawn to see that no candidates were being taken from the city against their will.

ESCAPE FROM DROWNING

Two Men Rescued from Columbia River; Boat Capsized

RAINIER, Ore., April 9.—(AP)—After clinging to their capsized boat in the middle of the Columbia for more than an hour, Roy Johnson, 35, and a boy 13 years old, his brother-in-law, were rescued last night by two deputy fish wardens passing in a patrol boat. The rescue was made off Bradbury slough, near Mayer.

OREGON HELD MULCTED

County Paid by This State on California Scaps, Claim

ASTORIA, Apr. 9.—(AP)—Charges that a large share of sea lice on which Oregon pays a fixed bounty were taken from animals killed off the coast of California, were voiced here Sunday when the state council of fishermen conducted a one-day meeting in preparation for the opening of the spring commercial fishing season.

FIERCE GALE HITS LAKES

Total of 22 Automobiles Swept Off Two Steamers

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Apr. 9.—(AP)—Weathering a severe storm that stood them on their beam ends at times and swept twenty-three automobiles overboard, two steamers reached here last night from Detroit, opening navigation from the lower lakes.

WALSH LAUDED BY MR. McADOO

SYMPATHY WITH PRESIDENT WILSON BROUGHT OUT

Montana Candidate Called Intellectual, Sober, Just and Able By Friend

WASHINGTON, April 9.—(AP)—Describing Senator Walsh of Montana as "one of the strongest supporters of President Wilson's administration," William G. McAdoo in a lengthy letter to a party colleague in California, has expressed the view that "there is no new era of prosperity and law obedience. Fundamental democratic principles will operate again for the benefit of all classes and the best traditions of Jefferson, Jackson, Cleveland and Wilson will find new expression and new power."

These statements and others, all highly complimentary to the Montana senator, who recently entered the contest for the democratic presidential nomination with the support of McAdoo and many of his followers in 1924, are contained in a letter sent by the former treasury secretary last Friday to John B. Elliott of Los Angeles, and made public today.

MECKELSEN OUSTED TOO

He and Forbes Removed for Cause Commissioners Say

Following the removal Saturday of Ben F. Forbes, secretary of the public service commission, an announcement was made Monday that Thomas Meckelsen, chief auditor of the department, also had been requested to submit his resignation.

PEACE IDEAL SOUGHT BY U. S.

Efforts Made to Secure Peace Treaty

Frank B. Kellogg (upper left) secretary of state, is attempting to bring about worldwide denunciation of war as an agency of policy through new peace treaties. M. Aristide Briand (right), French foreign minister, proposed negotiations for a anti-war treaty between the United States and France. Below is scene at signing of new bilateral treaty with France, showing M. Paul Claudet, French ambassador, and R. E. Olds, under secretary of state.



CROWDS MEET TO HONOR WAR LEADER OF '65

Unveil Features of Robert E. Lee Preserved in Granite Mountain

MAYOR WALKER SPEAKS

New York City Officials Accept Famous Memorial in Behalf of United States; Ceremony Elaborate

STONE MOUNTAIN, Ga., Apr. 9.—(AP)—The adoration of the nation was lavished today before the greatest stone carving in history, immortalizing the Confederate chieftain, General Robert E. Lee, and those who followed the "lost cause."

On the 63rd anniversary of his defeat in 1865 when Lee surrendered to General Grant and bade his veterans return to their homes, a vast assembly watched two flags drop from the mountainside, revealing the features of Lee, preserved in granite for all time.

CRISS GETS SIX MONTHS

17 Year Old Wife Freed; Theft Laid to Man Here

The criminal career of Ernest Criss, robber of automobiles on the streets of this city, came to a sudden halt when he was sentenced to serve six months in the county jail for petty larceny. Sentence was imposed in justice court yesterday by Justice of the Peace Brazier Small.

LAUNCH DRY MOVEMENT

Meetings Called at Six Churches Tonight to Organize

Notices have been sent out calling for a meeting of voters interested in a dry organization of both political parties, to meet in six gatherings tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

KU KLUX CHARGES MADE

Attempted Lynching, Riots, Kidnaping Recited in List

PITTSBURGH, Apr. 9.—(AP)—Riots, a kidnaping and attempted lynchings were laid at the door of the Pennsylvania realm. Knights of the Ku Klux Klan by Roy I. Barclay, former exalted cyclops and private investigator for a Pittsburgh lodge of the hooded order, who testified today at the federal court hearing on Klan injunction suits.

HOOVER CARRIES HAWAII

Territorial Convention Pledged to Commerce Secretary

HONOLULU, April 9.—(AP)—The republican territorial convention voted late today to instruct delegates to support Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce for the presidential election at the national convention at Kansas City.

Peace Legion Objective National Leader Shows

Education and Universal Conscription Practical Means of Avoiding War, Says Edward E. Spafford in Address Before 2000 Veterans and Auxiliary Members

"The American Legion is not in any sense a military organization; it is a militant organization for peace," National Commander Edward E. Spafford told 2000 members of the legion and its auxiliary who gathered at the armory last night for the final event of the only public reception accorded the highest officer of the ex-service men's order in Oregon.

WEST SALEM'S GROWTH RAPID

50 ACRE PARK PLANNED FOR KINGWOOD

\$25,000 Business Structure Under Way; Nine Beautiful Homes Rising

West Salem is not having a boom. But it cannot be denied that West Salem and Kingwood Park are having a very rapid growth, and, especially in the past several months, this has been a very substantial growth.

While West Salem is an incorporated city and independent of Salem, and in Polk county, with the Willamette river between, in the matter of mail facilities, it is a part of Salem—is served by the free city delivery from the Salem postoffice. So the growth over here affects the destinies of the capital city.

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STATE'S MASONS ELECT

Woodburn Man Elected to Head Oregon Grand Council

PORTLAND, April 9.—(AP)—Thomas Sims of Woodburn, was elected most excellent grand high priest of the Oregon grand council of Royal Arch Masons at the Masonic temple here today, succeeding Frank S. Baillie, Portland.

BREMEN MAY FLY TODAY

Weather Conditions Over Atlantic Improved, Report

BALDONNEL AIRDROME, Irish Free State, April 9.—(AP)—Weather reports tonight indicated improved flying conditions over the Atlantic and should a similar one be forthcoming, tomorrow morning, the Junkers monoplane Bremen may hop off for America tomorrow noon.

Special Matinee

The special matinee for the patrons of those merchants who advertised in the Green Section will be this afternoon at the Bignone. The picture will be "The Legion of the Condemned" and the regular Fauchon and Marco production "In Holland." A sales slip for one dollar from a merchant advertiser in the Green Section of last Friday, the coupon and fifteen cents admits anyone.

SPAFFORD WELCOMED TO SALEM

Two Thousand Legionnaires and Auxiliary Members Attend Reception

SALEM HONORED

Program Here Only One of Its Kind in Oregon

BANQUET GIVEN, PARADE STAGED

Two Brass Bands and Four Drum Corps, All Legion Organizations, Participate; Thousands Witness

Two thousand American Legion and Legion Auxiliary members representing practically every post in the Willamette valley, gathered in Salem Monday evening to welcome Edward E. Spafford, national commander of the legion, at the only public reception which he was accorded in Oregon.

Landing at Silverton at 5 o'clock in afternoon, after coming from Portland in army airplane piloted by Captain G. R. Beeme, the national head of the ex-service men's organization was brought to Salem by automobile and was welcomed at the state house by state officials, then escorted to the Marion hotel by the drum corps of Capital Post No. 9.

CITY CANDIDATES MAY FILE LATER

HAVE UNTIL 18TH; COUNTY HAS SAME PROVISION

But For State, District and National Offices, Friday Is Last Day

Running for office?

If it's an office to be voted on at the May 15 primary election in more than one county—in other words a state or national office, or a district office in a district which comprises more than one county, then the declaration of candidacy and nominating petition must be filed not later than Friday of this week.

But if it's a county or city office, then declaration of candidacy and nominating petitions may be filed up to and including April 18; and the same applies to district and precinct offices within a county.

This is the law of Sam Kozer's a liar. But there seems to be some misunderstanding in Salem, where, it is reported, City Attorney Fred Williams has given his opinion that declaration of candidacy must be filed 35 days, instead of 30 days, before the election.

At the May 15 election there are to be elected for each national party, seven delegates at large to the party conventions, and two for each party from each congressional district, unless the democratic national committee changes the number to be allotted this state.

Officers for which nominees are to be selected include president and vice-president of the United States, five electors, a representative in congress, secretary of state, state treasurer, two justices of the supreme court, attorney general, dairy and food commissioner, and in Marion county, circuit judge, district attorney and four state representatives.

The above offices are the ones for which candidates must file not later than Friday of this week.