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PRICE FIVE CENTS

Weather Forecast: Fair; fog near the coast at night; warmer in the interior; moderate northwest winds on the coast. Maximum temperature yesterday 76, minimum 59, river 1.9, rainfall none, atmosphere clear, wind southwest.

It is estimated that two million motorists will tour New England this summer. No wonder those New England farmers don't farm any more. They don't have to.

SHOP BUILDING PLAN FAVORED BY DIRECTORS

Auto Mechanics Course Proposal Gets Approval at School Board Meet

COST ESTIMATES GIVEN

Construction of Annex South of Senior High Building Justified by Benefits Work Will Give, Declared

Approval of the plan to erect a building on the senior high school grounds, south of the main building, to house the proposed automobile mechanics department, was given by the school board last night when it authorized Superintendent George W. Hug to secure detailed plans for such a structure, and also outline the course. Superintendent Hug gave a report on the probable cost of a building and also the number of students who plan on taking the course. In his survey he found that about 60 boys in the junior high schools in the eighth and ninth grades and about 85 sophomores and juniors in the high school are anxious to enroll in the course.

Cost Reasonable

The cost of a building with 22 by 58 foot dimensions would come to about \$120,144. A building of this size would be entirely too small, although the estimated cost per square foot can be taken from these figures. The equipment would come to about \$75,120, although this could be reduced to \$60,125, as some of the equipment listed is already in the machine shops of the school and could be transferred.

The new building will be located on the vacant lot immediately south of the high school building. E. E. Bergman, head of the vocational education department in Salem schools spoke before the members of the board as to what type of building should be built and how it would benefit many of the students now in school interested in such work.

Members of the school board favored the addition of a school of this kind here and voted that Superintendent Hug draw up tentative plans, estimated cost of a larger building and get a figure on the difference in galvanized (Continued on page 4)

BISHOPS TO HOLD FOR LIFE TERMS

TENURE OF OFFICE CANNOT BE LIMITED, RULING

Constitutionality of Proposal Voted on at M. E. Conference After Debate

KANSAS CITY, May 22.—(AP)—Limiting the tenure of bishops to a set number of years rather than for life is unconstitutional, the quadrennial general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church voted here tonight after four hours of bitter debate.

By a vote of 440 to 373 the conference refused to accept a minority report from the judiciary committee holding that election of bishops for a period of years was constitutional. The conference then voted, 541 to 268 to accept the majority report declaring limited tenure of bishops unconstitutional.

Debate today followed majority and minority reports from the judiciary committee. Twelve members declared tampering with Episcopal tenure was unconstitutional, while 11 said the general conference was all-powerful, and could elect for a limited term if desired.

Settlement of the issue was ordered before the conference proceeds to the election of three bishops to fill vacancies caused by retirements.

Tenure and power of bishops has remained unaltered since 1868 when the general conference ordered the third restrictive rule which says:

"The general conference shall not change nor alter any part or rule of our government so as to do away with Episcopacy, nor destroy the plan of our itinerant general superintendency (Episcopacy)."

JERSEY CATTLE SHOW ON TODAY

HANDSOME TROPHY CUPS OFFERED FOR GRAND CHAMPS

300 at Linn Dispary; Polk Tour Thursday; Stayton Event Saturday

Marion county's annual Jersey show will be held at the horse show stadium at the state fairgrounds today, starting at 9 o'clock in the forenoon. The public is invited to attend.

According to Sidney Miller of Woodburn, president of the county Jersey organization, there will be about 75 entries, and large numbers of out of town visitors are expected. Professor Knott of Washington State college will be the judge.

The entries will include a large number of Jersey cattle which have previously won awards at other shows. Beautiful trophy cups will be awarded for the male and female grand champions. These prizes were donated by the Marion county Bankers' association.

Ribbons will be awarded to the other prize winners. That the attendance here today will be large is indicated by the success of the Linn county Jersey show held at Albany yesterday, at which about 500 persons were present.

Another event of importance to stock fanciers in Marion county this week will be the "Home Boosters' Day" program at Stayton Saturday, in which boys and girls' club clubs will be featured prominently. A parade will be held at 10 o'clock.

The Polk county Jersey jubilee will be held tomorrow, with a tour starting from Monmouth at 9 o'clock in the morning.

CHEESE CENTERS RIVAL

Head Also Wants 1929 Lions Convention; Candidates Talked

Coquille and Tillamook, rival cheese making centers, and Bend, home of stately pine trees, will be rivals for the 1929 Lions convention of Oregon at the meeting here Friday and Saturday, advance information indicates. Harry Swart of Portland is being backed for district governor, and O. F. Tate of the same club for district secretary.

An enlarged edition of the "Salem Lion," weekly publication of the local club, will be issued at the luncheon Friday. It will contain the convention program, and other information for the convention guests, who are expected to number over 500.

PHYSICIAN LOSES SUIT

Fred Taylor Trial Interrupted Due to Illness of Juror

The jury in the case of Lowell Mortgage and Adjustment company vs. Estella Wise late yesterday returned a verdict for the defendant. She was being sued for \$350 for the services of a Portland physician. The jury was out about two hours before a verdict was reached.

The trial of Fred Taylor for larceny in a store was not continued yesterday after getting under way Monday. The interruption was due to the illness of one of the jurors. The trial will be continued today if the juror is recovered sufficiently to sit in the jury box and hear testimony.

Legion Men Rap Pacifist Attack on Preparedness

Lack of Training Will Mean Murder, Veterans World War Declare, at Same Time Reiterating Stand Against War; Nominate for Convention Delegates

Will pacifist organizations assume the full responsibility for the young men murdered in the next war owing to the lack of proper training?

That in brief was the thought of the Legionnaires assembled at the regular meeting of Capital Post No. 3 last night. All pacifist groups, who would abolish military training, advertising of a military nature and those things leading toward a proper defense of the ideals and institutions of the United States, came in for sharp criticism. It was pointed out that during the World War many men lost their lives because they were sent to the front without the proper training and yet in view of those facts some people live in this nation today, presumably enjoying the benefits of citizenship, who would take away even the defense preparations carried on at the present time.

The American Legion is not a

COOLIDGE FIRE LEVELED UPON SENATE, HOUSE

Two More Vetoes Handed Down by President After Two Overridden

TOTAL REACHES ELEVEN

Breach Between White House and Congress Widens When Lawmakers Refuse to Follow Lead As Outlined

WASHINGTON, May 22.—(AP)—President Coolidge and congress fired a couple of salvos at each other today in their legislative warfare, the president returning two more vetoed bills to the capitol tonight after the house during the day had voted overwhelmingly to override two of his vetoes on other measures.

The disabled emergency officers retirement bill favored by the American Legion was one of the measures returned to the senate tonight by the president. The other, a bill creating a rank of bandmaster in the army, ran the total of vetoes for this session to 11, the largest number of vetoes in one session in many years.

Opposition Overridden

WASHINGTON, May 22.—(AP)—Refusing to agree with President Coolidge, the house today passed two bills over his veto. Only once before during the administration has the house decided to follow Mr. Coolidge's leadership. That lone case was the soldiers' bonus measure.

The house action in approving the bills in the face of White House opposition came in each case by an overwhelming vote. One ballot showed a margin of 78 members more than the two thirds necessary to override a veto while the other found 75 more than the required number lining up against the president.

Bills Not Important

Both measures were of a minor character. The first one voted on would provide a salary increase for postal employees assigned to night work. It was approved by a vote of 319 to 42. The other bill would provide allowances to fourth class postmasters for rent, fuel and light. It was approved by a vote of 319 to 46. Both must be passed again by the senate also before becoming law.

On both ballots some of the stalwarts in republican ranks deserted the president, who was supported principally by republicans representing widely scattered districts.

Parties Split

The first vote found 39 republicans and three democrats lined up behind the president, while on the second the party division was 42 republicans and four democrats.

The house action in twice voting as quickly as the long roll of 431 names could be called to override the president, was believed to have set a precedent. Speaker Longworth said that he could not recall a similar case, adding that

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AURORA MEETING SET NEXT WEEK

FINAL GATHERING OF SEASON FOR RURAL CLUBS

1500 Expected to Attend; Noted Speakers and Interesting Program

The final meeting of the season for the Marion County Federated Community clubs will be held at Aurora Monday evening, May 28, according to announcement made yesterday. The meeting was to have been held this evening.

The event will open at 6 o'clock in the evening. It will be an outdoor gathering, and it is expected that 1500 people will attend. Speakers will be Hal E. Hess, republican nominee for secretary of state; President W. J. Kerr of OSC, Marshall Dana of Portland, Dr. Henry Morris of Salem and Dr. Harvey Freze of Oregon City.

The Hubbard and Oregon city bands will combine to play for the occasion. Also the Ten Synchro-nizers of the PEP company from Portland, and the Kiwanis quartet of Oregon City will be present with musical offering.

Mrs. Ella Wilson, secretary of the state fair board, will be a guest of the clubs. Dr. P. O. Riley of Hubbard, president of the county federation, will preside.

At a meeting held in Salem last Saturday, the directors decided to continue the talent contests next year and on a more extensive scale. It was also planned to have a Federated Clubs picnic sometime in the coming summer.

The joint meeting of the Marion county and Clackamas county clubs will be held at Oregon City in September or possibly sooner.

Dr. Riley has appointed the following as a committee for arrangements: for Marion county, Henry Crawford, Senator Lloyd Reynolds, Dr. Henry Morris, C. E. Wilson, Ivan Stewart, L. A. Beckman, For Clackamas, Ed. Koen, Percy Canfield, Barney Garrett, Gordon Taylor, Merton G. Ellis and Edith Hazen.

There is a possibility of having a Marion county community club day at the state fair, and this will be discussed at the Aurora meeting. The banquet and program are free and everybody is invited.

FLORAL SHOW THURSDAY

Garden Club Display to Be Held at Chamber of Commerce

The annual floral display of the Salem Garden club will be held tomorrow afternoon and evening from 1 to 10 o'clock in the chamber of commerce auditorium. Various prizes will be awarded in the 13 classifications of the show. Anyone may compete in eight of the classifications excepting professional florists, who will compete in only one classification. The other classifications will be limited to club members only.

The classification open to the professional florists calls for a display of at least 15 varieties of flowers. Classifications open to club members are for the best iris collection, best collection of low growing flowers, best collection of roses, and the best collection of rock plants.

Anyone may enter the competition for the best collection of wild flowers, best collection of old fashioned flowers, best collection of unusual or rare plants, best display of cut flowers in separate containers consisting of six or more varieties, best arrangement of flowers in vase or basket, and best collection of flowering shrubs. These classifications will not be open to professional florists.

During the afternoon show the pupils of the junior high school will show their skill in arranging loose flowers within a given time.

POPPY SALE WILL OPEN

4000 of Them to Be Sold by Legion, Benefit Wounded Men

Four thousand poppies! Every one of them is to be sold by the American Legion Auxiliary and the money will be used for welfare work.

The sale of poppies is an annual affair and takes place just before Memorial day each year. The sale will start Friday and continue until all are sold.

These poppies are symbolic of Flanders fields of the districts where they may be found after war of white crosses marking the final resting place of some fallen American soldier.

ASK PROTECTION FOR AMERICANS

UNITED STATES ACTS IN CHINESE SITUATION

"Brutal Murder" of Missionary at Hands of Nationalist Force Resented

WASHINGTON, May 22.—(AP)—Coincident with the expected arrival in Washington of Dr. C. C. Wu as special envoy designed to seek the moral support of the United States and its recognition for the nationalist government of China, the state department today made public a note presented to General Hwang Fu, foreign minister of the nationalists, in which the government asks atonement for the "brutal murder of an American citizen" by nationalist soldiers.

The United States demanded that the murderer of Dr. Walter F. Seymour, who had charge of the Presbyterian mission hospital at Tsinang, be arrested and executed. The nationalist authorities were charged with neglect in the apprehension and punishment of the soldiers guilty of killing Dr. Seymour on April 6 as General Feng Yu Hsiang's troops passed through Tsinang on their way to Tsinan where they came into conflict with the troops of Japan.

Arrest and punishment were also requested by the United States for the officers who were charged with not only failing to apprehend and punish the soldiers concerned in the killing of Dr. Seymour but also with giving "encouragement to such inhuman and uncivilized acts by subsequently permitting the occupation and looting of the mission building."

Indication was given the nationalist foreign minister that the payment of appropriate indemnities would be asked by the United States for the killing of Dr. Seymour. (Continued on page 4)

FIRES' DAMAGE SLIGHT

Two Downtown Blazes Threaten Much But Quickly Put Out

When the siren sounded and the fire trucks congregated on State street near Commercial Tuesday evening about 7 o'clock, a large crowd gathered in hopes of viewing an exciting conflagration, but was disappointed.

The fire was in a kitchen in one of the Patton apartments, facing on State street. The cupboard and part of the woodwork back of the electric range were badly scorched and there was plenty of smoke, but no essential damage. The apartment, rented by Richard Sorenson and Arthur V. Caldwell, was not occupied when the fire broke out, and the cause was a mystery, as the men said the range had not been turned on.

Another fire that looked serious but did little damage, occurred Tuesday afternoon about 3 o'clock when flames leaped out of the windows of an Oregon Electric coach while the traffic was halted at the station on High street. Traffic along the street was blocked until the fire had been extinguished.

I. O. O. F. VOTE LOOMS UP

Sessions of Oddfellows Start Today at Roseburg Meet

ROSEBURG, Ore., May 22.—(AP)—Delegates to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows grand lodge convention continued to pour into Roseburg today by the hundreds to attend the sessions which start tomorrow. A special meeting was held tonight to confer the grand lodge degree on all candidates eligible to receive the honor.

The delegations having candidates for the office of grand warden, the contested position, were busy. A large group from Eugene is determined in its support for Dr. J. J. Baker. Lester Roberts of Grants Pass is an active contestant and A. K. Mickey of Portland is seeking the office.

MCCUMBER JURY CHOSEN

Murder Trial at Goldendale, Washington, Gets Under Way

GOLDENDALE, Wash., May 22.—(AP)—After a day of questioning a jury was selected early this afternoon to try Ivan McCumber for the murder of his wife, Olga.

Rapid questioning of veniremen speeded up selection of the jury this morning and progress was much faster than yesterday when only four men had been tentatively selected at the close of the day. Following selection of the jury which is composed entirely of men, the prosecution started on its opening statement.

McCumber is charged with the murder of his wife here three months ago by poisoning her. At the time of her death he asserted that she died as a result of being kicked in the head by a horse.

ANOTHER MINE BLAST WRECKS HARLAN PLANT

Fifteen Men Lost in Second Serious Explosion in U. S. This Week

BODIES FOUND, MATHER

Working Crews Stricken in Kentucky as Well as Pennsylvania; Toll of Known Dead Mounts to 125

HARLAN, Ky., May 23.—(AP)—Two miners were killed and 16 others entombed when an explosion rocked mine number 30 of the Black Mountain Coal corporation, near here last night.

Rescuers, pushing their way into the workings, held little hope that the remaining men would be found alive.

The explosion, occurring just as shifts were being changed caught 15 of the 75 men who were then in the mine.

The bodies of Asher Hall and Fred Quintell were found by rescuers about three-fourths of a mile from the entrance of the workings.

The remaining men working in the mine made their way to safety.

BLUEFIELD, W. Va., May 23.—(AP)—An explosion in the number 1 mine of the Yukon-Pocahontas Coal company at Yukon, near Jaeger, last night killed at least 17 miners. It was reported here early today. Thirteen bodies were recovered, it was said.

The explosion was caused by gas, according to reports relayed from Yukon over several different telephone lines. Rescue crews were quickly assembled, some coming from nearby towns and mines and the workings penetrated in search of the trapped workers.

MATHER, Pa., May 23.—(AP)—All but 42 of the bodies of 197 miners killed in the explosion in the Mather mine had been brought to the surface up to an early hour today.

Rescue squad leaders announced that it virtually had been established that no more living miners remained. One man was rescued alive early yesterday.

HARLAN, Ky., May 22.—(AP)—Fifteen men were unaccounted for tonight after an explosion in mine number 30 of the Black Mountain Coal corporation at Kenvir, Ky., near here. The blast occurred just as the shifts were being changed, said a telephone report from the mine.

MATHER, Pa., May 22.—(AP)—Grave fears that death had claimed all but a handful of the 211 miners entombed in the Mather mine explosion seemed likely to be borne out late today as the known death toll mounted to 125.

But One Found Alive
Hope that had risen with the escape of a lone miner today ebbed as hours passed and rescue crews brought only more dead to the surface. Late today there still remained 72 men unaccounted for. (Continued on page 4)

TEXANS FIGHT AT CONVENTION

HOOVER FORCES LEFT IN CONTROL OF MEETING

Disorders Mark G. O. P. Gathering; Leader of One Faction Put Under Arrest

DALLAS, Texas, May 22.—(AP)—Texas republicans split their convention today under impetus of a heated wrangle between factions favoring the presidential nomination of Herbert Hoover and those holding out for an unstructured delegation to the national convention at Kansas City.

Amidst scenes of wildest disorder, marked by the smashing of a plate glass door in the city hall auditorium and the arrest and release on \$200 bond of C. C. Littleton, chairman of the republican state committee for an unstructured delegation, the followers of Littleton and Harry M. Wurzbach, the Lone Star state's only republican congressman, marched out to hold a convention of their own.

They left the Hoover adherents in charge of the municipal auditorium. Both sides presented speakers at their separate conventions, however, to proclaim positive assurance of success when the matter of recognition was put before the national committee at Kansas City.

The Hoover supporters, headed by R. B. Creager, of Brownville, republican national committeeman, met to name 26 delegates to the national convention and to instruct them for the secretary of commerce.

Those favoring an unstructured delegation contended that only four delegates at large legitimately could be named, because 22 delegates recently were chosen at district conventions.

Those demanding an unstructured delegation forced the reading of a minority report upholding their position, and it was then the trouble started.

Littleton was seized by a policeman as he entered through the smashed auditorium door.

Mr. Littleton was placed in the city hall under charge of defacing public property. He insisted he had not smashed the door, and it was said that someone else had hurled an ink well through it while Littleton stood in the corridor barred from the convention.

Creager rushed to the platform and roared that the convention was not going to be "taken."

The exodus of the delegates demanding an unstructured delegation was led by Harry Beck, white leader of a "black and tan" group, who shouted for followers to another convention in objection "to this high handed action."

SMITH, LOWDEN BACKED

South Dakotans Select States Without Opposition

PIERRE, S. D., May 22.—(AP)—Unopposed states of delegates and alternates to the republican and democratic presidential conventions were elected in today's statewide primary in South Dakota. While they are not legally bound to do so, according to party leaders here, they are expected to abide by the action of the recent state conventions in supporting Frank O. Lowden and Governor Smith, nominations.

Both of the state's United States senators—Norbeck and McMaster—are among the 13 republican delegates while Governor W. J. Bulow is included in the democratic list of ten delegates.

COLLEGE FRATS ASK EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION

Kappa Gamma Rho Files Injunction Suit to Provide Test Case Here

U. OF O. GROUPS AIDING

Claim Presented that Residence Organizations are Non-Profit, Charitable Corporations, Like Churches

What reports indicate will be a concerted fight by college fraternities and sororities throughout Oregon to escape payment of taxes on their houses was instituted in circuit court here yesterday.

Kappa Gamma Rho, local fraternity of Willamette university, filed suit against Marion county, O. A. Bower, county sheriff, and O. A. Steelhammer, county assessor, asking an injunction prohibiting them from collecting taxes now levied against their property and restraining them from levying taxes in the future. The Kappa Gamma Rho house is situated at the corner of North Church and Chemeketa streets. Its taxes amount to something less than \$100 a year.

Reports from those back of the suit indicate that fraternities and sororities at the University of Oregon are standing behind the Kappa Gamma Rho to the extent of \$25 each, the expectation being to make a test case of their suit, which will probably necessitate taking it to the state supreme court. Campus organizations at Oregon state agricultural college may also give their support.

Several members of the Kappa Gamma Rho fraternity are known to have started agitation some time ago which culminated in yesterday's suit. County Assessor Steelhammer was interviewed and asked to take the property off the assessment rolls but Steelhammer refused to do so.

Non-Profit Claimed
The contention that their fraternity is organized and incorporated (Continued on page 4)

SUMMER SCHOOL PLANS ARRANGED

OPENS JUNE 18 AND CLOSES JULY 25 ANNOUNCED

Instruction Offered Grade School Pupils of Salem and Marion County

Summer school for grade pupils of Salem and Marion county will be held at the Grant and Park schools, beginning Monday, June 18, and closing Wednesday, July 25, according to announcement Tuesday from the office of George W. Hug, city superintendent. Classes will be held from 8:30 until noon.

The Oregon Normal school at Monmouth is sponsoring the summer classes for pupils from the first to the eighth grades inclusive. Miss Margaret Cosper, principal at Garfield, will direct the schools and Miss Minnie Duncan, Washington principal, will be primary critic and the normal school will supply the other teachers from its students.

The summer classes will be of benefit to pupils who are weak or just average in their school work and desire to work up, to those who have lost time through absence or illness or for other causes and, in instances where the principal and teacher recommends it, pupils may do advanced studying fitting them to enter a half grade higher next fall than their otherwise would.

J. S. Landers, president of the state school at Monmouth, has been in Salem completing arrangements for the two schools. Credit will be allowed only in case of satisfactory grades and regular attendance. Registration closes May 29.

A U. S. Army Poster Contains These Words in Big Type:

"Your army builds men. See what it did for the Patent Leather Kid."

You will want to see what it did. This is a great war picture, made in the Pacific Northwest. Showing at the Elsinore theater till Saturday.