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STATE STREET CONSTRUCTION DEEP MYSTERY

Zone Change Voted; City May Seek Dirigible Landing Field Location

Cinder Investigation Authorized; Liberty Street Culvert Job Let

Mysterious gestures forecasting an immediate construction program of considerable magnitude on the south side of State street somewhere between Church and Winter streets, and a move in the direction of offering the United States government facilities for landing dirigibles in the immediate vicinity of Salem, were outstanding features of Monday night's council meeting...

The State street mystery came to the limelight when an ordinance was introduced providing that the two half blocks fronting on this street be changed from zone 2 to zone 3, as requested in a petition signed by all property owners affected except the First Methodist church...

Property Owners All Favor Change Alderman W. H. Dancy asked that the rules be suspended and the ordinance placed on final passage, intimating that this was of vital importance to some pending development...

Buildings Must Be Set Back Ten Feet The amendment changing the zone contains a provision that all buildings erected in this area be set back ten feet from the property line.

The matter of a dirigible landing field was introduced by Alderman Rosebraugh, who said that the government was planning to establish such a field in the northwest, but that there were objections to this site and Salem would have a good chance of obtaining the field...

The council instructed Mayor Livesley to appoint a committee to work with a committee from the Salem chamber of commerce in investigating the possibility of offering a site here.

The cinder investigation previously proposed by Alderman Hal Patton was authorized upon receipt of a letter from Prof. Boals, estimating the cost at \$300.

Proprietary of the street improvement fund was voted.

The council let a contract for construction of the culvert over South Mill creek in connection with the South Liberty street bridge, to P. L. Frazier of Salem at a price of \$7492.60.

The resolution calling for transfer of \$1000 from the lighting fund to the police fund was passed over the protest of Alderman Dancy, who thought the money should be spent for putting in lights for which petitions have been filed.

The ways and means committee recommended the transfer on the word of members of the lighting committee, who explained that although the money was in the fund, they could use it this year.

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What...

They think of...

The American Red Cross and the Work It is Doing.

A THOUSAND times the heart of humanity has been touched by tragedy and disaster and a thousand times the American Red Cross has responded with the services of its members and its money to relieve suffering and privation. In peace, as in war, the Red Cross has been prepared for every call. Now that it is undertaking its annual roll call, in an endeavor to finance a continuance of its work, the New Statesman has responded to a request to determine what Salem folk think about the Red Cross.

I. L. PATTERSON, governor of Oregon, said: "The American Red Cross has repeatedly demonstrated its usefulness by giving prompt, well-trained and efficient service in times of great emergency. The people of Oregon should make a cheerful response to the annual call for membership and contribute a generous quota of the funds necessary to carry on the work for the relief of suffering and the welfare of humanity."

OSCAR STEELHAMMER, president of the Salem Chamber of Commerce, said: "I have never seen any attention to the work of the Red Cross, and never thought much about it either. No, I can't say anything in favor of it."

GARLAND SIMPSON, salesman at Bishop's, said: "I have not had any personal experience with the Red Cross, but judging from what I have read their work must be of immeasurable value in stricken areas."

ALBERT SCHINDLER, route 2, told reporter who was in 1924, "I have never seen any attention to the work of the Red Cross, and never thought much about it either. No, I can't say anything in favor of it."

ROY M. SMITH, of the Smith and Townsend service station, said: "Well, I don't know a whole lot about the question, but so far as I have observed, the Red Cross seems to be doing satisfactory work."

JOSEPH BENNER, general delivery clerk at the Salem postoffice, said: "I think that the Red Cross reaches more people who actually need help than any other agency—with the possible exception of the Salvation Army. The Red Cross reaches the desolate and unfortunate with less waste of means and less waste of time than any other agency to help 'that I know anything about.'"

JOHN IMLAH, 1270 Fir street, said: "The Red Cross seems to be a good organization, although I don't understand exactly what it is for. Of course, we should support their membership drive to a certain extent, but all these drives have a habit of keeping a person broke. If a person should look around closer to home they would find a number of cases as worthy of attention as the national Red Cross. The Red Cross seems to function only in big catastrophes, and I guess the work it does at such times is invaluable."

MRS. FRED W. LANGE, 1055 Belmont street, said: "The Red Cross is a very good organization and is most certainly worthy of any support we can give it. Its work in war time and in the big disasters has been outstanding."

RUM DISTRIBUTION IN CANADA DECRIED

BOSTON, Nov. 19.—(AP)—Miss Rosamund Duff of Toronto, speaking tonight before the 54th convention of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, said that under government control in Canada "the increase of facilities for the sale of liquor means an increase in liquor, increase in drinking, increase in drunkenness, increase in accidents and increase in crime."

Miss Duff, who is secretary of the Ontario Woman's Christian Temperance Union, declared that government control had failed to prevent bootlegging or the sale of poisonous liquor in Canada.

"We are told," she said, "that when good liquor could be obtained no one would want the poison stuff. Yet with all the enormous quantity of liquor sold by the government in Canada, so great is the use of rubbing alcohol as a beverage that one of the government liquor officials declared that 75 percent of all the rubbing alcohol now sold is being bought for drinking purposes."

"One has only to go to courts to see the enormous increase in drinking among young people under government control in Canada."

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INQUIRY BARES CONDITIONS IN INDIAN BUREAU

Persecution by Power Companies Described by Witnesses at Probe

Bitter Testimony is Given Concerning Alleged Maladministration

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 19.—(AP)—Charges of persecution of the Klamath river Indians by the power companies, including murder and arson, climaxed other bitter testimony here today during the first session of the senatorial investigation of Indian affairs in this state.

Backed by United States Senator Hiram W. Johnson, women's clubs and the California Indian Defense association, Mrs. Mary Gist Dornbach, called the "Joan of Arc" of the Klamath river Indians, made a fiery witness before the committee which is hearing the complaints of neglect and maladministration directed against the federal Indian bureau.

"The power corporations have stopped at nothing to get power sites on the Klamath river," Mrs. Dornbach testified. "My own sister was murdered and our house burned by agents of the power companies in their attempts to drive my people from the district," she asserted.

Power firms involved in the belief that a certain California power company had obtained a temporary permit to build a dam on the Klamath river was expressed by Mrs. Dornbach and also by Harry C. Roberts, district chairman of Indian welfare, Federation of Women's clubs, and Attorney Charles L. Gilmore of Sacramento.

If this dam were to be built, they said, the salmon fishing in the Klamath river, which industry supports the Indians in the reservation, would be destroyed.

Other witnesses whose charges against the Indian bureau include the maladministration of Indian affairs, "shameful neglect" of their health and education and illegal sales of the ceded lands were L. A. Barrett of the United States bureau of forestry; Mrs. Florence Ames, nurse with the state board of health; and Walter M. Dickie, state health officer.

97 Per Cent of Indian Land Said Not Tillable Barrett said that only 3 per cent of the land allotted to the Indians could be farmed. The land for the most part is sage brush and rock, Barrett testified.

Mrs. Ames bitterly flayed the "shameful neglect" of the Indian bureau and said that conditions were "almost beyond belief."

"My survey shows that 70 per cent of the Indian children die from lack of attention," she said. "I have seen a mother give birth to a baby in a sand pit under the blazing sun without medical attention of any kind—families of five and six, several with contagious diseases living in one room—other instances of pitiable suffering and poverty."

Reckless Disregard of Health Is Recounted Mrs. Ames was followed to the stand by Walter M. Dickie, state health officer, who asserted that little or no discernment had been used in transferring Indians, ill with tuberculosis, from one reservation to the other.

"Indians stricken with the disease in the southern part of the state have been sent to northern reservations where the climate is entirely unsuited," he said.

DEATH TOLL IS 18 IN FLOOD SECTION

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 19.—(AP)—Overflowing streams were spreading death and destruction in five states tonight and the thirty Mississippi river itself was out of its banks along the borders of Missouri and Illinois.

Rainfall of unprecedented proportions for this time of year brought Kentucky and Illinois in to the flood belt during the day and increased the seriousness of the situation in Missouri, while communities in eastern Arkansas and a portion of Oklahoma were slowly recovering from the most disastrous November flood on record.

Three deaths in Kentucky, where the Cumberland river was on a rampage, and two more reported in Kansas and another in Illinois brought the total known dead to 18.

PLAYGROUND WORK LEADER TO SPEAK

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Old Laws To Be Revived To Get Liquor Revenue

Investigator Traces \$34,000 Due U. S.; Class "Above the Law" Blamed

Invitations will soon be issued to a number of Marion county liquor law violators to contribute \$34,000 to the support of the United States government, regardless of penalties assessed in courts following conviction, according to statements of F. A. Hazeltime, federal prohibition investigator.

Mr. Hazeltime left here Monday after rounding up about 30 violators who are liable for revenue taxes under 50-year old laws and who have the ability to pay their penalties. The invitations will be issued by J. O. Johnson, special U. S. attorney of Portland, who will ask violators to make offers of compromise in suits he will file against them.

Mr. Hazeltime addressed the congregation of the First Methodist Episcopal church Sunday night. He said that the "Joan of Arc" of the Klamath river Indians, made a fiery witness before the committee which is hearing the complaints of neglect and maladministration directed against the federal Indian bureau.

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HEARING SET FOR OFFICE BUILDING

Supreme Court to Consider State Case December 3; Moore to Appear

Hearing of the case involving the proposed construction of a state office building in Salem at a cost of \$600,000, has been set for December 3, according to a telegram received here Monday.

Wills Moore, assistant attorney general, will represent the state. Erection of the building was authorized by the 1927 legislature under a law allowing the state board of control to borrow \$600,000 from the state industrial accident commission. This money was to be repaid out of rentals received from state departments occupying space in the building.

The law was attacked by the Eastern & Western Lumber company of Portland, contributors to the workmen's compensation fund, on the theory that the accident commission funds were held in trust and for a specific purpose. It also was alleged that the state has no authority to contract an obligation in excess of \$50,000.

The Oregon supreme court held for the state, whereupon the plaintiffs appealed to the United States supreme court.

Knowland Talks At West Salem Club's Meeting

WEST SALEM, Ore., Nov. 19.—(Special)—Chas. E. Knowland of Salem was the principal speaker at the West Salem community club meeting here tonight. He spoke on the subject "Community Building."

President Arnold of the club appointed two members of a committee of three to arrange for entertainments, profits from which will be used to help various public enterprises. Fred Gibson and Elmer Cook were named on the committee. The third member will be named later.

Smith Regaining Much Vitality In Southern Climes

EDGEWATER GULF HOTEL, Miss., Nov. 19.—(AP)—Governor Alfred E. Smith, of New York, is rapidly regaining his vitality and energy here, it was announced by his associates today, as the governor continued his program of recuperation and golf.

RADIO RECORDS SHOW CAPTAIN DELAYED SOS

Superiors on Land Not Notified of Condition Until Request Made

Passing Ships Told "Nothing to Communicate" as Crisis Loomed

NEW YORK, Nov. 19.—(AP)—The records of two commercial wireless telegraph companies produced in court today indicated that officers of the steamer Vestris made no report to their superiors on land that they were in trouble at sea until after they sent out a general S O S, which was hours after there were definite signs that they were in serious danger.

And on several instances after the ship had begun to keel, it was also shown, they reported "nothing to communicate" to a sister ship approaching them.

Officials of the Radio Marine corporation and the Marconi Wireless company occupied the stand for the greater part of the fourth day's session of the federal inquiry into the sinking of the Vestris off the Virginia capes a week ago today with the loss of more than 100 lives.

Nothing testified indicated the captain of the ship delayed his S O S until 10 o'clock Monday morning, almost a full day after he had had to leave the Vestris to, on any authority other than his own.

United States Attorney Charles H. Tuttle, conducting the inquiry before United States Commissioner Francis A. O'Neill, had subpoenaed the radio records to determine the truth or falsity of rumors that during those long hours when the Vestris was keeling over Capt. William Cary had asked for instructions from ashore as to the advisability of asking aid and had been told to make effort to get along without a distress call.

Young Mate Claims That Everything Done Efficiently The only other important witnesses of the day was Herbert G. Welland, 23-year-old third mate of the Vestris, who had charge of launching the lifeboats. His testimony of the launching was at striking variance with previous testimony.

The fourth and only other witness in the case was a 20-year old steward in the second cabin who told of being assigned to investigate a leak in the side of the ship.

At the close of today's session the federal attorney said that he still had some radio records to be produced but he intimated that he believed those already read from the stand were fairly conclusive evidence that Captain Carey withheld his S O S as long as he did solely on his own responsibility and not in submission to instructions from ashore.

Messages Read From Radio Firm's Records The first witness today was Arthur J. Conigan of the Radio Marine corporation, who had conducted a search through the files of several of his company's coastal stations.

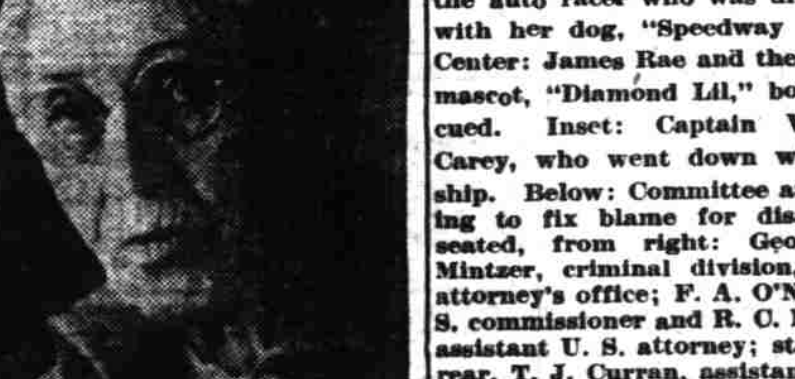
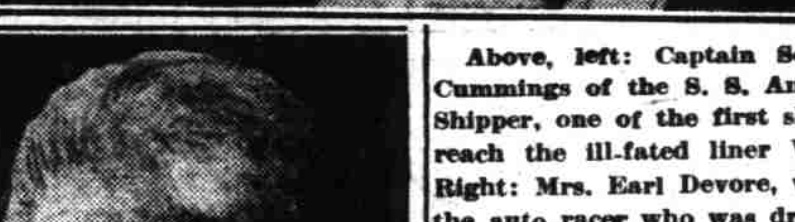
Proclamation of Thanksgiving Made Governor I. L. Patterson's annual Thanksgiving proclamation, urging observance of Thursday, November 29, as a day of thanks, was issued Monday night. The message to the people of Oregon said:

"At all times and in all places," read the proclamation, "men have gathered together at the close of the harvest to give thanks to the Divine power which has blessed their labors and made them to prosper. Deep rooted in the heart of mankind is the instinct to make grateful acknowledgment to a guiding Providence which is above and beyond the work of human minds and human hands."

"Our national observance of an annual day of Thanksgiving is a heritage from the Pilgrim Fathers, who assembled at the turn of the year to offer prayer and praise to Almighty God from whom came their strength to endure daily hardship and to face unknown dangers. It is fitting that we should annually continue this day of prosperity and security the institution they founded amidst adversity and peril."

"Let us on this day give thought to man's fellowship with nature in achieving the fruits of the harvest. Let us confirm and strengthen the ties of family life and renew the bond of health and home. Let us express our gratitude for peace by extending the spirit of good will to all the world and for prosperity by lending generous and kindly aid to those in sorrow or need. Let us give thanks for manifold material blessings by turning our minds and hearts to the things of the spirit."

From the Vestris Wreck



State Aided Institutions Plan to Disentangle Work And Save Money on Budget

Important possible savings as well as elimination and closer investigation of cases seeking the benefits of these homes, were discussed at a meeting at the state house Monday attended by the state child welfare commission pointed out that through the employment of two additional field workers it would be able to save for the state between \$30,000 and \$40,000 each biennium. The cost of the two field workers was estimated at \$10,000.

Reference was made to the existing practice of several institutions in receiving non-resident mothers and children who, after being in the institutions six months, are held to be eligible for state aid. The law provides that non-resident cases shall not receive state aid until they have been in the state for two years.

A committee was appointed by Governor Patterson to investigate the status of the non-resident commitments, and recommend any legislation they may deem desirable. Members of this committee are Henry L. Corbett, member of the state senate from Multnomah county; Clarence H. Gilbert, member of the child welfare commission; and Carl Abrams, secretary of the state board of control. The committee will report prior to the legislature.

It was agreed at the meeting that hereafter the child welfare commission will act as a sort of clearing house for the state aided charitable institutions in conducting field operations. In other words, the welfare commission will attempt to eliminate duplication in field operations with a material saving to the taxpayers.

Sam A. Koser, state budget director, addressed the meeting and stressed the necessity of economy during the next two years.

HOOVER GIVEN 21 GUN SALUTE AS SHIP SAILS

Cheers Mark Departure of President-Elect on Good Will Mission

High Naval Officers in Full Regalia Honor Representative of U. S.

By W. B. RAGSDALE Associated Press Staff Writer

ABOARD THE USS MARYLAND AT SEA, Nov. 19.—(AP)—With every honor except that of the presidential flag, Herbert Hoover today left United States soil on a mission of friendship and understanding to the sister republics of the western hemisphere. This battleship, which is to be his headquarters until the trans-Pacific journey from Chile, steamed steadily southward tonight through the calm Pacific.

The Hoover party was cheered from its arrival on a special train at San Pedro to the dock where it boarded the barge of Admiral William V. Pratt, commander-in-chief of the United States battle fleet. They were carried two miles across the harbor to the wing Maryland under escort of navy launches filled with cheering officers in full dress.

Presidential Salute of 21 Guns Is Fired Rear-Admiral Louis M. H. Nulton, commander of the battleship division, Rear-Admiral William C. Cole and other high ranking naval officers stood at the rangefinder to receive the president-elect while the guns of the Maryland and of nine other battleships boomed out a salute of 21 guns.

The men of the Maryland lined the deck at attention and a full guard saluted while Mr. Hoover passed. The band gave four ruffles and a flourish and a boatwain pipe blew over the side. As soon as the guests had been escorted to the suites which had been made ready for them, Captain Victor A. Kimberly ordered the battleship to get under way.

Hoover and Wife Take Everything In The Hoover party was cheered from its arrival on a special train at San Pedro to the dock where it boarded the barge of Admiral William V. Pratt, commander-in-chief of the United States battle fleet. They were carried two miles across the harbor to the wing Maryland under escort of navy launches filled with cheering officers in full dress.

Six destroyers of the 32d division continued an honorary commission of the Maryland until nearly off San Diego. With all farewells then receding in the distance, the Maryland took up its course for Corinto, Nicaragua.

Corinto was the first announced point of call as the Maryland moved majestically out of the harbor.

STORE HEADS TALK OF BRIGHT FUTURE

Belief that the future will see improved conditions for the jobber, whose place in the scheme of business has been waning, was expressed Monday by George Miller, here on a visit to the Miller store, which is one of a chain operated by the Miller interests.

Mr. Miller said that the public demand for the newest styles in all lines of goods prevented merchants from buying in large quantities or far in advance. The jobber's place is to act as a distributor of goods to merchants who buy in small lots and cannot stock the necessary lines.

The Miller stores are enjoying good business this year, Mr. Miller reported. Recently the Harris store in Olympia was purchased and this has proved a valuable addition to the chain.

When Mr. Miller was his brother, Fred, who is general manager of the stores. The wives of both men accompanied them on the trip.

Textbooks Are Selected With View to Price

One-third of the textbooks to be used in Oregon public schools for the six years starting next year were selected Monday by the state textbook commission, which sought economy and meritorious work in making its choice. More than 50 per cent of the books selected were re-readings, it is said. Approximately 30 textbook publishers were represented at the meeting and in each case a sample of books up for consideration were furnished to members of the commission several weeks ago. As a result of this little time was lost by members of the commission in discussing the merits of the various offerings. The prices were said to be virtually the same quoted at the time of the selections two years ago, and were very satisfactory to the commission.