Unsettled today: Part cloudy; Normal humidity; Cooler. Max. temperature Wednesday 68; Min. 41; River 4.2; Wind west: No

WEATHER

SEVENTY-NINTH YEAR, NO. 43

"No Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe" Prom the First States March 23, 1851.

Salem, Oregon, Thursday Morning, May 16, 1929

OFFICER SHOT

Detective Killed Attempting to Apprehend Kidnaper of Millionaire

Murderers Escape in Fusillade of Bullets From Other Policemen

CHICAGO, May 15 .- (AP)-Detective Ray Martin was shot and killed late today in an attempt to trap an extortion gang which had kidnaped Paul Blumenthal, reputed millionaire bootlegger. The slayers escaped under a fusillade of bullets from other

Martin, who resembled Blumenthal's brother, Moses, had arranged to meet the abductors on the west side. He had just left a taxicab to talk with the men in their parked automobile when they evidently recognized him as an officer and opened fire. Police said two of the men were recognized as Carlos Fontano and Martin O'Leary, the latter a notorious west side character. May 7 Is Date

Of Kidnaping Blumenthal was kidnaped May 7, by hoodlums posing as policemen who wanted information about the former's purported liquor operations. He was later released. The men demanded \$50,-000 ransom but agreed to accept \$15,000, cash and the rest in installments. An additional \$10,000 was paid them last week, police said, by Henry Finkelstein, who they say, is a member of the "Bugs," Morgan gang, seven of whom were slain in the St. Valentine's day massacre.

Meanwhile, an anon-y mous

The gang is said to have extorted large sums from other wealthy different organizations which will bootleggers. Blumenthal is reported to have retired with a fortune estimated at \$1,000,000.

ANOTHER PIONEER CALLED BY DEATH

Charles Sappingfield, member of an old pioneer Marion county family and a resident all his life on the donation land claim on which he was born on April 6, 1862, died at a local hospital Wednesday evening after an illness which had bothered him off and on all winter. He was 67 years No funeral arrangements have vet been made.

Charles Sappingfield was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sappingfield, Virginians, who came to Marion county from Iowa in 1847. The parents settled on a Great Economy donation land claim at the upper end of Howell Prairie, near Pra-John Sappingfield died in The farm is one of the county's old landmarks and was used often as a stopping point for the earlier settlers who made stage road.

Cnarles Sappingfield is Charles of route six; two grand- church. children; one brother, H. A. Sapsister, Mrs. Amanda King of Sa- said,

Airport Expert To Arrive Today

Marshall C. Hoppin, airport ex-

bert for the department of com-

merce, will arrive in Salem today

to look over the site of Salem's

municipal airport and advise the airport committee and its engineer, R. D. Cooper, with respect to ever served here was given tothe arrangement and improvement night in honor of General Joaquin of the field here. Word that he Amaro, former secretary of war, Wednesday by Brazier C. Small, United States where he underwent secretary of the airport committee. an operation. Emery Olmstead and J. E.

Favored



who may be picked to act on Mr. Hoover's commission for the exhaustive study of law enforcement, George W. Wickersham, of New York, is considered a very

Community Organizations to chairman, responded. Stage Special Event On May 24

The biggest, best and most unique home talent parade featuring the community clubs of Marion county is to be put on here Friday, May 24, according to word friend of Blumenthal's told police received Tuesday from Dr. P. O. of his predicament and the trap Riley of Hubbard, who has been working constantly for the last few days bringing together the march in the parade.

> Colonel Carle Abrams consented Tuesday to act as marshall of the march which will start at Marion square promptly at 2 o'clock. One of the features entered in the marching group is a large pickle which will stretch out a distanct of 40 feet and present a marked advertising feature for the

> Stafford Pickle factory at Aurora. Children in Old Mother Hubbard costumes will represent Hubbard. Gervais will have an entry featuring the mint and hops which are the largest crops of that dis-

Donald's entries will feature the Donald Tile and Brick Co. Woodburn, known as the berry center of the county, will have an entry sponsored by the Ray Brown canning company. Silverton, known as a city of fine homes, will have this feature brought out in its

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By Prohibition Told By Expert

WASHINGTON, May 15-(AP) their way from the east to Califor- Prohibition's saving to the Amerinia. The farm was on the old can nation since 1920 was placed today at seventy-two billion dollars by Deets Pickett, research vived by his widow, Mrs. Mary L. secretary of the board of temper-Sappingfield; a daughter, Mrs. ance, prohibition and public mor-Clara Vibbert of Salem; a son, als of the Methodist Episcopal

"The retail liquor bill of the pingfield of near Pratum, and one American people in 1916," he "was \$2,438,037,985.504 There is no doubt whatever that if the saloons had remained open the liquor bill in the United States would have been double this amount in 1920 due to increase of

Very Dry Affair MEXICO CITY, May 15 .- (AP) -The first "dry" official banquet

Mexican Dinner

would arrive today was received who has just returned from the

Wheeler Enter Prison as Long Legal Battle Ends TACOMA, Wash., May 15, - drove away. Wheeler and Olm-

(AP)-Prison doors of McNeil stead remained in the first car, federal penitentiary clanged shut chatting and smoking. Deputy behind Emery Olmstead and J. E. United States Marshall Baker in Wheeler, prominent Portland bus- charge of the party would not let iness men, who today started serv- newspapermen approach the sedan ing sentences of five and three to talk with them. When the penyears, respectively, as a result of itentiary boat pulled into the fertheir conviction for "kiting" ry slip shortly after 2:30 p.m., checks in connection with huge Olmstead and Wheeler, still smoktimber operations in Portland. panied by their wives, drove to ercoats, ran for the launch en-Stellacoom to take the prison deavoring to dodge attempts to launch. They were closely followed photograph them. The boat, in Here's architect's drawing of the new Richfield station which will be built in south Salem at the base

Wheeler got into another car and at 2:45 p.m

ing, pulled their hats down over Olmstead and Wheeler accom- their faces, and carrying their ovby two other cars, containing two charge of Charles Savage, peniten- of one of the gigantic beacon towers of the "Lane of Light" extending from the Canadian to the Mexitiary guard, and carrying Olm- can border. This English-Norman design—a sharp contrast to the low, rambling Spanish structures built a glider flight and von a prize of Shortly after reaching Stella- stead, Wheeler and Baker, left the for the project in California—was decided on as an architectural tribute to the rugged beauty of moun-

Reelected Secretary of State Organization

Governor Patterson Delivers Local Cooperative Packing Address of Welcome to Visitors in City

Ira C. Powell, president of the Fruit totalling 2,124,454 pounds First National bank of Monmouth, amounting to 67,597 cases of the was elected chairman of group canned product and cases of frotwo of the Oregon Bankers asso- zen fruit totaling 6000 as well as ciation at the close of its annual 3588 large tins of frozen fruit, at the Cleveland clinic today ing featured by addresses of in- son by the Producers Cooperative blasts were followed immediately tensely practical nature on mat- Packing company of this city ac- by billows of amber-colored smoke ters of interest to bankers. The afternoon session was held in the Salem chamber of commerce club room and the banquet at the Marion hotel Wednesday night.

Other officers included J. C. Irvine of Lebanon, vice chairman; Joseph H. Albert of Salem, reelected secretary, and W. B. Hill of Mill City, treasurer. The officers together with J. F. Gault of Corvallis and C. J. Esty of Woodburn, constitute the executive

Patterson Gives Speech Of Welcome At Banquet At the banquet, visiting bank-

ers, numbering more than 50 were welcomed in an address by Governor Patterson, to which Dr. W. W. Allen of Mill City, outgoing

banquet was delivered by Charles states, "that regardless of what- like shadows through the dense a "wholesale attempt at murder" means of overcoming the gas Portland. Portland gave several dialect largely through their own efforts, (Turn to Page 5, Column 5.)

Efforts of Rival Cities Fail to Attract Local Airplane Maker ->

Rumors that Salem was soon to lose its airplane factory were put to an end Tuesday with the announcement by Lee Eyerly that his airplane plant would remain in the city and would be located on a site near the new airport which is to be completed this sum-

Eyerly announced that he contemplated an expenditure of \$25,-000 for plant and equipment in addition to the money which be used to acquire a site.

Construction will be started as soon as feasible on at least 10 planes of the three-passenger, semi-cabin type.

Eventually Eyerly hopes

between \$3,500 and \$4,000. While no definite contract as award of \$5. yet has been agreed upon, it is understood that Eyerly has agreed to the essays of Jessie B. Samsel to keep some members of his staff of Kamiah, Ida., and Jennie Lindat the new airport night and day ross of Lakeside.

in return for its free use for his training school. He will also state superintendent of public inmaintain hangars there and may struction; Mrs. Virginia C. Bacon, be in charge of a machine shop, state librarian, and Justice Henry from landing and other services court.

will go to the city. Albany and Eugene have manitalked to Eyerly and are said to in the collegiate work among high have made interesting offers.

Producers or Not at All. Word Here

Concern Issues Annual Report for 1929

cooperative concern had a very

ries, prunes and loganberries are street side of the building," Donthe principal items handled by the ahey said. "A thick, dense and concern, the report shows. More than 200,000 pounds of strawber- the building, so heavy that it obries were canned and frozen while literated the entire surroundings the poundage of Bartlett pears aggregated 636,418.

Too Much Government Aid Held Dangerous

Significant in the report is Gibson's statement regarding pending Look Like Shadows legislation. "It is our opinion," he' M. R. Jamieson of the producers themselves and for help. We are somewhat apprenhensive of the future if too much government aid is given to the formation of cooperative marketing organizations, in that it will open up a whose only interest will be the promotion and organization fees.' Gibson reports that no attempt has been made to increase membership in the association al-though there has been a net gain of six members throughout the

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Winners in the essay contest high school students in Oregon. Washington and Idaho wrote on the subject "What Constitutes a Wednesday.

Miss Eleanor Gettman of Newberg won the first prize of \$50: Ralph P. Stuller of Lafavette is to receive the second prize of \$25; swing into production of at least Constance Ekstrom of Franklin the general state of school fione plane a week. The selling high school, Portland, won the price of the airplanes will range third prize of \$15, and LaDesca third prize of \$15, and LaDesca Gray of Lostine won the fourth

Honorable mention was given

Judges were C. A. Howard.

It is expected that the airport fees J. Bean for the state supreme Literally scores of essays were submitted, it was reported by fested considerable interest in the President Carl G. Doney of Willocation of an airplane factory in lamette university. The contest their cities and men at Eugene was planned to stimulate interest

Work Starts on Air Beacon for Salem

school students.

100 Persons Killed When Explosions Take Place in Cleveland Hospital Unit

Joseph H. Albert of Salem Final Relief to Come From Eye Witnesses Relate Story of Disaster Graphically

Deadly Fumes Settle Over Building and Kill Victims

CLEVELAND, May 15 .- (AP) -Eye witnesses to the explosions meeting here Wednesday—a meet- were handled during the past sea- which took 98 lives said the cording to a report recently is- - the deadly fumes which settled sued by Frank Gibson, secretary. in the pores of the building and While this pack was consider- swirled from the windows, overably less than that of 1927, the coming even those in the streets. J. H. Donahey, Cleveland newssuccessful year financially, the re- paper cartoonist, was driving past port showing more than \$10,000 the building at the instant the

added to the reserve fund of the first detonation occurred. "Flames shot from the two low-Strawberries, Royal Anne cher- er rear windows on the east 93rd very yellow smoke poured from and from some of the windows there came a deep brown smoke. too heavy for that caused by the burning wood. Men and Women

F. Walker, president of the North- ever legislation is enacted the fin- smoke, were clinging to the winwestern School of Commerce, al relief, if any, must come from dows, shouting and gesticulating

"The ladders placed against the

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Education Department to be Adopted

First copies of the new budget orms prepared by State Superintendent C. A. Howard for Oregon school districts were received Wednesday at the office of George W. Hug, city superintendent. The new forms will be used by the Salem school district with the conducted recently by the Willam- new year beginning next fall and ette university Alumnus, in which are declared by Mr. Hug to be a means of putting school finances on a real scientific basis. The new system conforms to the fi-Good College," were announced nance basis worked out by a com-

mittee of the National Educational association. With the new budget forms, the condition of any school fund may be readily ascertained as well as

and indebtedness as has been the blos tax act were attacked by refcase in the past, the new form erendum. provides for a detailed classification and also shows the allotment | the excise tax law will be circulat-

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Cleveland Clinic Founded in 1921 By 4 Physicians

CLEVELAND, May 15 .-(AP)-The Cleveland clinic, which tonight was but a ghastly shell in which approximately 100 persons a few hours earlier had lost their lives, was founded on the unselfish desire of four physicians to help their fel-

low men. Established in 1921, the clinic was endowed with a \$100,000 gift from its founders along with the pledge that each would give one fourth of his annual income to the foundation.

Wholesale Death Plot **Discovered**

later used to bake a cake tonight who were overcome. Victims of was blamed for the serious con- the disaster were dying at short dition of 12 persons who attended intervals and physicians sent out a party and ate the cake. Health appeals for additional oxygen in an investigation branded the pres- might prove insufficient. Oxygen "Men and women, looking more ence of the poison in the flour, as is declared the only effective and ordered police to investigate. burns, The stricken persons are relaives and friends of Frank J. Ruehlman, and attended a party at his home Sunday night, at which ice cream and the home then, augmented by a second and baked cake were served, all the greater explosion than the first, guests became ill the next day and rushed up from the basement and tonight their condition was said to cut off escape down the stairways be critical. The victims range in and elevators.

age from 19 to 74 years. HAVE NEW SYSTEM

Police investigators took the package of cake flour and an analysis showed almost a cup of the ed were dead, their faces turning poison had been placed in the a sickly yellowish brown color package. A hole had been made within two minutes after inhaling Finance Method Backed by in the side of the carton which the gas. had been resealed. Other packages of the same brand of flour were taken from the store at which the original package had been pur-

Preliminary petition for the referendum of the excise tax law en- ally known physician, who was too acted at the 1929 legislative ses- occupied with relief work to comsion, was filed in the state de- ment on the catastrophe. partment here Wednesday by Erskine Wood, Portland attorney, on

behalf of Thomas G. Ryan, 545 damage at only \$50,000. East 12th street, North Portland. The secretary of state has re nances, a feature which should ferred fhe petition to the attorney make itself especially valuable to general for ballot title. In case the local district inasmuch as but the sponsors obtain 9750 signaone report of school finances has tures to the petitions by June 4. been made since the present the referendum measure will go year's budget was passed last fall. on the ballot at a special election Instead of lumping expendi- on June 28. The 1929 legislature tures under such broad heads as passed a law authorizing the spepersonal service, supplies, main- cial election providing that either tenance and repairs, miscellaneous the excise tax law or the intangi-

between elementary, junior high ed by George Bylander of Portand high schools. Eight new land, as soon as the ballot title is the result of action by the central headings, each with carefully competed. Bylander said he al- council Tuesday night. worked out subdivisions, are in- ready had obtained a sufficien cluded on the expense columns, number of signatures to refer the advertising in a local newspaper and take account of: general con- 1929 law creating two additional was opposed on the grounds that circuit judgeships in Multnomah the council was unfriendly to the It was reported here today that for union shops at the two plants an effort might be made to ref- would be admitted by awarding erendum the intangibles tax law,

The petitions for referendum of

position to confirm the report. There also has been filed with state income tax law enacted at the 1920 legislative session. This referendum, together with that attacking the circuit judge act, will go before the voters at the gen-

eral election in November, 1930.

but Bylander said he was not in a

200 Planes Are Ready To Begin Mock Warfare WRIGHT FIELD, Dayton, O.,

May 15. - (AP)-Peace time

'Aces" of United States army air service stood in readiness behind almost 200 planes here and at Norton field, Columbus, waiting for the stroke of midnight that would send them against each other in mock warfare. Major General Dennis E. Nolan, commander of the fifth corps area

and head of the "blue" army conferred with his air staff here tonight on plans for an attack on the "red" army stationed at Norton

GLIDER RECORD SET a glider flight and von a prize of in full: beck and was in the air more than lem realize the value of their birch and paper birch. Then an-

Poison G a s Follows Huge Dirigible Leaves Home Two Blasts in **Big Clinic**

Property Damage But \$50,000, Firemen Estimate

CLEVELAND, O., May 16. --(AP) - The death toll in the Cleveland clinic gas-fire disaster mounted to 100 early today when two more of the injured died.

CLEVELAND, May 15-(AP) -The toll of the explosion and fire at the Cleveland clinic today had mounted to 98 dead tonight. A revised injured list showed forty persons in hospitals.

CLEVELAND, May 15-(AP) -Poison gas and two explosions which followed burning of x-ray films in the Cleveland clinic today claimes nearly 100 lives.

Tonight there were 95 known dead and hospital authorities CHICAGO, May 15-(AP)-A worked desperately to administer powerful poison placed in flour artificial respiration to 43 more Commissioner Arnold Kegel, after the fear that the supply in the city

Nearly all of the deaths were attributed to the deadly gas which filtered through the four story brick building slowly at first and

The fumes were given off by fire of undetermined origin, which destroyed x-ray films in the basement. Some pharmacists said it was bromine gas, while Dr. William E. Lower, one of the founders of the clinic, said it resembled the deadly phosgene gas employed in the World war.

It was ironic that the disaster occurred in the very place where the most advanced instruments and laboratories of science had been turned against pain and

The clinic was owned principal-

ly by Dr. George W. Crile, nation-Despite the heavy loss of life

firemen estimated the property

trict and a feasible plan of advertising it will be up before a committee representing the Salem Trades and Labor council and the Salem Building Trades council as The plan of Pascal Traglio for

local papers. Defeat in the fight

An employment agency for all

union laborers in the Salem dis-

advertising contracts, it was held. The committee to meet with the Building Trades representatives is composed of Clarence Townthe secretary of state preliminary send, barbers' union; Sam Vale, petition for referendum of the printers; and Phil Bowen, culinary workers. STAGES GET PERMIT

> (AP)-The state railroad commission today granted the Pickwick States system permission to operate their busses between San City light heavyweight wrestler, Francisco and the Oregon line took two out of three falls from over the Carquenize bridge.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15. -

PRICE FIVE CENTS

Port With Gorilla and Human Passengers

Mrs. Mary Pierce of N. Y. is Only Woman Going on Present Voyage

FREIDRICHSHAFEN, Germany May 15 .- (AP) -- The Graf Zeppelin giant dirgible left Freidrichshafen, at 5:57 a.m., (11:57 p.m., Wednesday E. S. T.) on its secon 1 voyage to America.

The passengers began to assemble at the zeppelin's hangar shortly after 5 a.m., the female gorilla "Susi." was first to go aboard, the passengers themselves follow-

ing rapidly. Mrs. Mary Pierce, of New York, who was making the trip contrary to urgent objections of her relatives, appeared dressed in a beige travelling costume with a straw hat, trimmed with feathers, tan shoes and silk stockings. Upon the advice of newspaper correspondents she hurriedly procured woolen golfing stockings, and put

them on. In leaving, the Graf Zeppelin began a trip which it was expected will occupy between 65 and 75 hours westward travel, bringing it to Lakehurst, N. J., probably sometime late Saturday. The distance was estimated at from 5000 to 7500 miles, according to the route chosen by Dr. Hugo Eck-

ener, the ship's master. There was a drizzling intermittent rain with little wind as the huge bag was taken from its hangar and released for its long voyage. Dr. Eckner, in announcing his probable route as over France and toward Gibraltar, said he did not expect to reach his destination before Saturday night. Mrs. Mary Pierce, of New York,

was among those aboard.

James McGilchrist Brings Action Against Wool-

worths for \$2889 After a quiet which has hovered omniously over circuit court proceedings filed with the county clerk for last week, Wednesday's business which consisted of seven complaints, was unusually heavy. Six of the actions begun were

for money and one was for a de-

James McGilchrist, former man-

ager of the F. W. Woolworth

cree of divorce.

company, asks judgment against that institution for \$2,889:80 for wages he alleges are owed him for a period of employment of nearly three years. Last summer McGilchrist sued the Woolworth people for \$50,000 damages for alleged injury received when he was not made a manager of one of their stores as had been promised him. This case was referred to district court in Portland since the amount involved was over \$3000 and since both parties did not reside in Oregon The sum of \$139 is asked as a judgment against N. Becker and Sons of Woodburn in a suit filed by the Union avenue auto service.

a suit filed by the Salem Automobile company against the West American Fidelity company. The Gabriel Powder and Supply company has filed a suit against the Meade Honey company to collect \$1302 which is said to be due on a sale of lumber.

Contracts of sales agreement on

which a balance of \$342 is alleged

to be due are made the basis for

Alma Brennan charges desertion in her suit for divorce filed against Michael Brennan. The couple was married in Salem in 1923. The plaintiff asks that her maiden name of Alma Campbell be returned to her.

K. C. GRAPPLER WINS PORTLAND, Ore., May 15. -(AP) - Billy Edwards, Kansas Ed Wirth, Detroit, tonight,

Parrish Student Writes Prize Essay Upon Famous And Beautiful City Trees

Lois Allen, who is just complet-| streets? Since Oregon is becoming her first half year in the Sa- ing well known for her scenic Roland Campbell, also a Parrish

DETMOLD, Germany, May 15.

—(AP)—Robert Krongeld of Vienna, today set a new distance cedar of Lebanon mentioned in the record of more toan 60 miles for paper. The winning paper follows willow, Spanish silver fir, Amer-

I wonder if the citizens of Sa-

lem schools, has been announced beauty we should know all about as winner in the Parrish division our city. Salem has been the capiof the contest which the Salem tal of Oregon since 1859. During Woman's club sponsored on trees the past 70 years loyal citizens of Salem. Lois is in the ninth have planted trees that have grade. Second award was made to grown very beautiful.

Roland Campbell, also a Parrish In looking over our city, we see the white capitol dome gleam.

Lois accompanied her essay ing above the tips of the tall, stately trees. Walking through one ican bamboo, black locust, tulip tree, flowering hawthorne, white

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coom, Mrs. Olmstead and Mrs. ferry landing for the penitentiary tain, mesa and sea of the colorful Pacific Northwest, Engineers began surveying for the air beacon here Wednesday and construction will follow at once, beautiful trees that line the 5 hours.