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WEATHER

Generally fair today; some cloudiness; northwest wind; max. temperature Tuesday 70; min. 52; river 3.6; rain .02; cloudy.

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MASTER FLIES WHITE FLAG AS SHIP CRUMBLES

Captain Louis Johnson Now Ready to Leave Vessel to Ocean Grave

Members of Coast Guard Are Unable to Effect Rescue in Storm

ASTORIA, Ore., June 18.—(AP)—A bedraggled square of dirty white cloth, flung to a brisk ocean breeze on a rudely constructed mast, fluttered its message of surrender tonight over the shattered hull of the steamer ship Laurel, crumpling in the roaring surf of Peacock Spit near the mouth of the Columbia river.

It was Captain Louis Johnson's way of telling coast guardsmen he had repented of his decision to stand a last and lone watch on the battered afterpart of his broken craft. Johnson, master of the Laurel which grounded early Sunday morning and tore apart amidst ships, had refused to leave the vessel on numerous entreaties of rescuers.

Watchers on Shore—Shore watchers at dusk tonight saw Johnson emerge from his seclusion in the wireless shack above the bridge and work his way through the flying spray to the precarious top of the shack. Then a long pole was raised and the wind caught the bit of significant cloth and hurled its mute plea shoreward.

But even this sign of surrender brought the skipper no nearer the shore. Coastguardsmen were powerless to combat the heavy swell which followed the two-day blow. The vessel pitched over the rocking portion of the vessel upon which Johnson stood his ground. Efforts to rescue him were abandoned until 8 o'clock tomorrow morning. And as a glowing sun sank into the Pacific, watchers saw Johnson, a dim figure in the dark, clinging to his piece of white cloth. It will be his third night aboard.

Terrific Gale Causes Johnson To Change Mind

Coast guardsmen believe that Johnson's experience during the terrific 48-hour gale which battered and ground his ship along the sands to a point some 500 yards north and slightly seaward of its position yesterday, decided him. The storm, one of the worst ever experienced on this section of the coast, sent the craft righted and with a moderation of the wind early today, it went back on an even keel. The wind late today dropped to 15 miles an hour from the west.

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YOUTH OF GERMANY OPPOSED TO DRINK

BERLIN, June 18.—(AP)—German youth is against alcohol, and for the women's movement, leaders of the German youth committee today told the eleventh congress of the women's international suffrage alliance. The youth committee is organizing a series of meetings for the delegates to inform them of the attitude of the German younger generation.

"The movement known to the world as the German youth movement from 1913 to 1920, is now ended. We are no longer fighting against the older generation," said Fraulein Dr. Anne Marie Wulff, chairwoman of the youth committee. Dr. Wulff explained that the youth organization did not stand behind any one political party, and believed that men and women should work together. "The youth movement is also strongly against alcoholism, and the anti-alcohol movement only lives in Germany because we are backing it," she continued, "and are developing a new type of festival with sports instead of drinking."

Famous Criminal Trio is Rounded up by Officers in San Francisco Last Night

SAN FRANCISCO, June 18.—(AP)—Police detectives here announced tonight they had arrested Lloyd Sandell, his wife Lita, and Ethan McNabb, wanted in Los Angeles for bank robbery and also believed to be sought by Seattle police. The arrests were made on a circular issued by the Los Angeles police. Sandell was described by police as owner of the power boat "Sovereign" said to have been used to effect escapes and refuge along the coast while police searched cities and towns for the trio. Police said the woman arrested identified herself as Mrs. Lita Sandell, but detectives said she was also known as Mrs. Lydia Summers. Detective Sergeant George McLaughlin said the three are wanted for a satchel full of currency, "anti-bandit guns" which fire gas filled projectiles, sawed off shotguns, tear bombs and other firearms equipped with silencers.

In Oakland



Miss Eleanor Tammie, Portland, Ore. festival queen who is in Oakland, Cal., to attend the Pacific Advertising club convention. She made the trip by airplane.

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MARY KELLS WINS ORATORY CONTEST

Robert Brown Is Second in Events Sponsored by Peace Group

The American Friends Service committee oratory contest sponsored by the Presbyterian peace committee Tuesday night at the Presbyterian church resulted in Mary Elizabeth Kells winning the silver medal for placing first, Robert Brown placing second, and Lucile Rowland third. The subjects were chosen at will by the speakers and moderated. Each represented arguments combating the idea of war. The American Friends Service committee has so arranged the contests that six contestants compete and the winner receives a silver medal. When six silver medals are awarded, the contest is considered a success. The judges were Miss Grace Elizabeth Smith, Sheldon Sackett and R. A. McCully.

New York Now Sweltering as Mercury Soars

NEW YORK, June 18.—(AP)—The hottest day of the summer was recorded in New York today as the thermometer registered 93 degrees and set a new all time high record for June 18. Three deaths and numerous prostrations from the heat have been reported in the past 48 hours. Five persons were drowned at the beaches.

PLAYGROUNDS GET SLOW START HERE

The city playgrounds have made a slow start this year because of the inclement weather of the last two days. No regular program has been carried on because of the small attendance and uncertainty of the weather. With the arrival of warmer days volleyball, tumbling and other games will be diversified for the girls, and various athletic contests will hold the attention of the boys. Inter-club contests similar to those of last year are also contemplated. As yet the new swimming pool at the Blinger field grounds has had small attraction for either boys or girls.

Tallman Suspect Taken at Albany

ALBANY, Ore., June 18.—(AP)—A man who Sheriff Shelton said resembles William Tallman, missing, but indicted today in Los Angeles for the murder of Mrs. Virginia Patty there, and who possessed a reputed suicide note, was being held in the county jail here tonight.

LEGAL PHASE POLICE WORK TAUGHT HERE

Willamette University Will Offer Two Weeks Course for Law Officers

Special Instructors to be Obtained to Present Various Subjects

Plans for a proposed school for police officers to be held at Willamette university the last two weeks of January, 1930, were announced Tuesday. The purpose of the school, as announced by a prospectus, is "to offer that specialized training which will enable the officer to more efficiently and intelligently perform his duties to the public and to enable him to attain to a higher degree of satisfaction and self expression in such performance."

This school will be conducted under auspices of the college of law. The teaching, however, will be done by men who have had special training or ability in particular phases of law enforcement work. Among the courses proposed are the following: 12 lectures in the law regulating search and seizure; 12 lectures composed of illustrations showing the more common reactions of the abnormal mind; 12 lectures on the recognition, preservation, and presentation of criminal evidence; 12 lectures on the law and psychology of pursuit, arrest and detention; 12 lectures on subjects including public attitude toward law enforcement, value or disadvantage of publicity, comparison of different methods of law enforcement, how to lift the calling of law enforcement to a profession, and similar allied subjects. Special Instructors Will Be Obtained

RUM RUNNER TAKES BACK ACCUSATION

Yarn That Stirred Wet Oratory is Found Pure Fabrication

WINDSOR, Ont., June 18.—(AP)—Carl Raymond, of Monroe, Mich., admitted tonight that the shattered windshield on his speedboat was due to a collision with a United States coast guard cutter, rather than to the machine gun fire with which he had charged the rum chaser had greeted him yesterday. Raymond's admission, announced by both United States and Canadian authorities, corroborated the statement of Arthur Gobel, captain of the rum chaser, that blank shells from a one pound gun had been fired at the suspected rum runners. Gobel asserted that he had chased the craft, occupied by Raymond, James O'Connor of Newport, Mich., and Mrs. Johnson of Sandwich, a mile and a half, before firing blank one pound shells which brought the flight to an end. "Their windshield was smashed as we came alongside," Gobel said. "It struck a fender of our cutter when a swell carried it against us."

QUARANTINE PLACED IN MULTNOMAH JAIL

PORTLAND, Ore., June 18.—(AP)—Strict quarantine regulations were placed on the county jail today following the death of Sam Johnson, federal prisoner, who died in a Portland hospital of spinal meningitis. Johnson was acting as a trustee and was serving a five-months sentence. William C. Lytle, a state prisoner, who also was acting as a trustee and occupied a adjoining cell to Johnson's, was taken to a hospital and diagnosis, but physicians tonight could not tell whether Lytle had the disease. No visitors are allowed; the jail was fumigated and prisoners will be lodged in other quarters.

ASTORIA SAVINGS BANK CLOSES ITS DOORS TUESDAY

ASTORIA, Ore., June 18.—(AP)—The Astoria Savings bank, largest financial institution in the city, closed its doors today. Directors, at a meeting earlier today, voted to turn the bank over to the state banking department for liquidation. The bank, according to a statement of its financial condition as of last night, has deposits of \$2,065,675.96 and resources of \$2,718,745.82.

AGREEMENT TERMS REACHED IN FIGHT AMONG MEXICANS

MEXICO CITY, June 18.—(AP)—A basis for settlement of the Mexican religious controversy, it was learned authoritatively tonight, has been agreed upon and cabled to the pope at Rome for his approval. The basis for settlement received the final approval of President Portes Gil and the Roman church emissaries, Archbishop Ruiz y Flores and Bishop Pascual Diaz yesterday and was cabled to Rome last night. Nothing further toward a settlement will be done until the pope's reply is received, which it is hoped here will be sometime Wednesday. No changes of the existing religious law are involved in the agreement which has to do only with their interpretation.

ELECTIONS FOR SCHOOL BODIES PUT IN RECORD

Reports From Every Section of Marion County Filed at Court House

Financial Situation in Many Districts Explained to Superintendent

Reports on annual school elections, held over the county Monday, and Tuesday started to come into the county superintendent's office with the following results, outside of Salem, filed so far: W. B. Frink was elected clerk of the Witzel district. A. A. Nicolson, other members of the board of directors are: Labold, chairman, J. E. ... and E. W. Powers. The district showed a balance of \$74.20 at the end of the year, and 29 students enrolled.

UNITED BROTHERS CONVENTION OPENS

Young People Arrive Here for Annual Session; Speakers Many

Thirty-four delegates registered last night for the opening session of the annual convention of the Sunday school and Christian Endeavor of Western Oregon and Washington of the United Brethren church which is being held at the Castle United Brethren church, of which Rev. L. W. Biddle is pastor. Additional delegates are expected today. Those who spoke last night included: Rev. Biddle, Fred DeVries, president of the county Sunday school council; Rev. S. E. Long of Salem; Rev. F. W. Pontius, conference superintendent; and Mrs. Pontius, Junior Grant gave a recitation of welcome. Mrs. E. Cay, Fifty persons were served at the dinner given last night by the Women's Missionary society of the church. Delegates registered are: Elva Guyton, Ima Davis, R. E. Coehran and John S. Gilhouse, The Dalles; Marjorie Smith, Roy Olson, Mrs. E. Cay, Mrs. Charles Snedigar, Dorothy Lee, Neff, F. S. Mitchell, Ruth Mitchell, Helen Mitchell and Mrs. Dorothy Frey, all of Portland; J. I. Parker, and Jessie Rogers, Manor, Wash.; E. F. Wrigley, supt. and Mrs. F. W. Pontius, Ellen Pontius, and Virginia Pontius, all of Vancouver, Wash.; G. E. McDonald, Seattle; Cecil Luckey, Guy Looney, Ernest Looney, Iola Luckey, Lella Luckey and Glen Looney, all of Hazel Green.

AIR DISASTER WILL BE INVESTIGATED

FOLKESTONE, Eng., June 18.—(AP)—The air ministry tonight announced it would conduct a full investigation of the disaster yesterday of the air line City of Ottawa under the air navigation regulations. A single inquest on the seven victims, including the three women whose bodies still are missing, will be held at the old town hall at Lydd tomorrow. The coroner will sit without jury. Witnesses to be examined will include Captain Brallin, the pilot, and Mr. Fleming, one of the surviving passengers. Since early today experts of the air ministers and engineers of the Imperial Airways have been examining every piece of wreckage and dismantling the engine in an effort to determine the cause of the sudden plunge of the ship into the English channel. Captain Brallin and the surviving passengers for the most part, are in the hospital here and decline to make any statement before the inquest. It was understood that medical evidence would be given showing that death in each of the seven cases must have been instantaneous.

TUESDAY IN WASHINGTON

By the Associated Press Congress voted to recess Wednesday. President Hoover asked citizens along the Canadian border to cooperate in coping with rum runners. Tariff amendments were proposed in the senate and its committee continued hearings. The senate modified its rules for consideration of executive nominations but voted against making public roll calls taken behind closed doors. President Hoover signed the \$151,500,000 farm relief appropriation bill and the census re-appointment measure.

WAGES ARE BOOSTED

WASHINGTON, June 18.—(AP)—Nine thousand shop employees of the Southern railway were awarded pay increases of five and six cents an hour late today by the board of arbitration.

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MEMBER OF BOARD AT SALEM HEIGHTS RESIGNS POSITION

Open Break Follows Disagreement Concerning Construction of New School Building; Bids to be Opened in Near Future

RESIGNATION of Charles Ratcliff, director who has just ended the first of three years of service, from the Salem Heights school board was placed in the mails Monday for the county school superintendent, Mr. Ratcliff said last night. He gave no reason for the resignation. School affairs in the district were quiet enough Tuesday, following a heated election Monday and excitement over service of an injunction to prevent opening of the bids on the new school house which was voted some weeks ago. While Ratcliff declined to give reason for his resignation, it is well known in that district, and has failed to free year member members of the board. The matter, perhaps, the new building. The injunction was designed to prevent opening of bids until after the election, H. S. Peck who secured it told some of the board members. Dean Frank M. Erickson, new chairman of the board, said last night bids for the building would be opened today or tomorrow. Inasmuch as Dr. D. D. Craig, who was Monday re-elected director, was out of town Tuesday, no action was taken Tuesday. According to school law, Ratcliff's resignation may call for a special election, or the county school superintendent may appoint his successor.

SCHOOL BOARD ROW IS TAKEN OUT OF COURTS YESTERDAY

Settlement of a controversy over the school board of District 128 was made out of court, H. S. Peck stated Tuesday in asking that the circuit judge dismiss the action instituted against the directors of the district. The court granted the request. Peck asked for an injunction forbidding the directors of the district which Salem Heights is on, from letting bids for the erection of a new school building in that vicinity.

EXPERIENCE IN DRIVING ESTIMATED

Inexperienced drivers are not to blame for the numerous traffic accidents that occur in Salem, a study of the accident reports on file at the police station show. The combined driving experience of 71 drivers who have reported accidents since the first day of June would reach back to about the date of the battle of Creecy, in the reign of King Edward III of England—to the year 1353, to be exact. The average experience of these 71 motor vehicle drivers was eight years—long enough, presumably, so that they should have learned how to drive. Only one driver had driven less than a year; one claimed 15 years of experience. There were a few who did not fill out this part of the accident report blanks.

PETITIONS CHECKED BY CITY RECORDER

Work Going Forward With View to Preparation of Ballot Title Checking of the referendum petitions filed against the city ordinance granting a new franchise to the Southern Pacific Motor Transport company for its bus lines in Salem, was completed by Miss Edith Burch, acting city recorder, Tuesday and the petitions were officially filed. Today, despite the fact that the company has rejected the franchise and a bill to repeal it is already before the council, the referendum petitions will be referred to Fred A. Williams, city attorney, for preparation of a ballot title. The petitions, names all told, were found by the acting recorder to be sufficient, although a number of names were disqualified because they were plainly shown to be husbands names signed by their wives, or vice versa. There were also many names not found on the county registration books, but these were not investigated further because enough unquestionably valid names did appear on the petitions. The status of the entire matter, provided that the council repeals the franchise ordinance at its next meeting, is somewhat in the dark, as T. L. Billingsley, manager of the transportation company declined Tuesday to indicate whether a new franchise, lacking some of the features which caused opposition, would be sought, or what concessions to public opinion would be made if such a new ordinance should be introduced.

POST OFFICE STAFF TO BE REORGANIZED

WASHINGTON, June 18.—(AP)—Reorganization of the executive staff of the post office department was completed today by appointment of Arch Coleman of Minneapolis, and John N. Phillip of Dallas as first and fourth assistant postmasters general, respectively. Both are former postmasters. Postmaster General Brown declared he intended to fill all department positions concerned chiefly with postal administration with postmasters who have distinguished themselves by their industry, grasp of postal affairs and executive ability. Mr. Brown hopes to have congress abolish the numerical restriction for assistant postmasters general. "Their duties and responsibilities are substantially equal," he said. Of the other two assistants, W. Irving Glover has been retained from the previous administration. He has charge of railway and air mail and international postal service.

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AUTO THEVES ARE ACTIVE IN THIS CITY

Automobile thieves appear to be growing bolder each day in Salem. Two daylight thefts were reported Tuesday. A Buick car belonging to the state and used by the highway commission, was taken about 2:45 o'clock from a parking place near the statehouse. Less than an hour later it was halted by an Albany policeman at Albany and the six men riding in it were arrested and brought back to Salem. They gave their names as Milton Hagen, Roland Scott and Ben Scott of Tacoma, Paul Fay and Charles Alexander of Portland, and William Scott of Golden, Cal. They are being held in the city jail. E. S. Goode reported that his Ford touring car was stolen from State street between 2 and 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

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