

If You Think This is Warm, Spend a Few Weeks in the East Some Summer; You'll be Thankful for Oregon

IT'S OVER

Now it's over and everyone is glad the 11th annual convention of the Legion has been the best ever held.

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WEATHER

Generally fair today; slightly cooler; shifting winds; max. temperature 84; min. 46; river -2.2; clear.

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GREAT PARADE MARKS END OF LEGION'S MEET

Sidewalks Packed With Big Crowds Watching Colorful Event

Event Declared Most Brilliant of Kind Ever Staged In This City

Coming as a fitting conclusion to the most successful and largest legion convention in the history of Oregon, Salem and its thousands of visitors witnessed the largest and most colorful parade ever to be staged in this city...

Parade On Its Way Never did a more interested and bigger populace watch a parade wind its way through the streets of this city...

Headed by the parade was Colonel Rilea and his staff, mounted, followed by masses of all the posts, both groups of all the lookers...

Division two of the parade was composed largely of the Legion, and was appropriately headed by automobiles carrying: first, the newly elected commander, Sidney George of Eugene...

Following in line came the Legion drum corps, Portland, 1929 victors, stepping like winners at the head of the other corps...

HEATH ARRAIGNED ON SLAYING COUNT

DETROIT, Aug. 10.—(AP)—John M. Heath, Detroit elevator mechanic who was arrested Friday morning in connection with the death of Richard J. Sandlands, federal prohibition officer...

The warrant, similar to one lodged against Mrs. Maxine Heath, his wife, will embody three charges; assaulting, resisting and interfering with Sandlands in performance of his duty...

Mrs. Heath pleaded not guilty to similar charges Friday and is held in default of \$25,000 bail. Sandland's body was found in the Detroit river Wednesday after he had been missing since a week ago today...

An autopsy revealed that he died of a broken neck. Heath and his wife tell the same story, that Sandlands was left to drown after a struggle with Heath when the officer attempted to seize their launch.

Investigation Launched to Determine Possibility of State's Making Textbooks

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 10.—(AP)—An investigation to determine whether the state of Oregon can publish textbooks and sell them at a price lower than now paid private publishers was launched yesterday by a legislative interim committee...

The committee organized yesterday by electing Representative Weatherspoon of Union county, chairman, H. E. Scott, representative of Walla Walla county, vice-chairman, and C. R. Eberhard, senator for Union and Walla Walla counties, secretary...

Surprise Party Is Given Mr. Hoover On 55th Birthday

Small Group on Hand Includes His Immediate Family and Few Friends; Complete Simplicity Marks Entire Occasion

MADISON, Va., Aug. 10.—(AP)—The president of the United States was given a surprise birthday party tonight by members of his family and the small group of friends and high government officials who are spending the week-end with him at his fishing camp in the Virginia mountains.

Just what took place at the party or just what were the presents given the fifty-five year old man who holds the highest office in the nation is something that, for the time being at least, is a secret known only to those in the little camp.

It was learned, however, that the party was arranged by Mrs. Hoover and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh, wife of the distinguished flier, and that they personally directed the carrying out of plans. The only description of the presents was that they were of an inexpensive nature and similar to presents given at surprise birthday parties such as are held for the average person.

The party held at Palo Alto last year, a year ago, Mr. Hoover, then the republican nominee for the presidency, was accorded a somewhat similar party in honor of his 54th birthday by friends and newspaper men who were with him at his home in Palo Alto, California.

The correspondents this year, however, were not in attendance. Earlier in the day the president had joined with other members of the party in the construction of rock dams in the swift headwaters of the Rapidan river. There are being built to provide pools in which trout may gather as this species of fish enjoys basking in a sunny pool.

All the men on the party, including Secretary Hyde of the (Turn to Page 26, Column 4.)

NEUNER MAY OBTAIN WILLEBRANDT POST

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 10.—(AP)—The Oregonian will say tomorrow that George Neuner, United States district attorney for Oregon, has been summoned to Washington, D. C., by the attorney-general who probably will offer Neuner the position formerly held by Mrs. Mabel Willebrandt as head of the prohibition enforcement in the attorney-general's department.

Several months ago Mrs. Willebrandt offered Neuner a position as a special prosecutor of the coast with headquarters at Portland, but without increased compensation, Neuner declined. "It is also assumed that if Neuner is offered the position, he will accept," the newspaper will say.

The attorney, during the past two months has been mentioned favorably as a possible republican candidate for governor of Oregon.

Passing Autoist Hurls Tiny Rock

Rock thrown from a passing car was responsible for a fractured nose and cuts sustained Saturday by Mrs. C. I. Beeson, 507 East 4th street, Albany. Mrs. Beeson was traveling on a south bound stage when the accident occurred at the foot of Steiwer hill, curving at the foot of Steiwer hill, and striking her, also breaking one of her glasses. The stage driver, A. L. Cafe, hurried her to the Jefferson terminal, where a doctor was summoned to attend her.

Herbert Lange is Now Bridegroom

Mary Helen Miller, 21, of Walla Walla, and Herb Lange, 22, of Salem, were married in Walla Walla July 29 and after spending a honeymoon in Newport are in Salem to make their home at the Roberts apartment. Lange is a linotype operator at the Statesman office. He dropped around last night to tell the gang congratulations were in order and to pass along the cigars and candy.

CALIFORNIA NINE PICKED PASADENA, Cal., Aug. 10.—(AP)—Mill Valley won the California championship of the American Legion national baseball competition today, defeating Long Beach, 15 to 8. The victory entitles Mill Valley to enter the area championship competition at Salt Lake City on August 20.

TEX RANKIN TO TRY HOP FROM B. C. TO MEXICO

Portland Aviator Attempts To Establish Flight Record Today

Coasts of Washington, Oregon and California to Be Passed

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 10.—(AP)—After stopping off at Bellingham, Wash., on his way here from Portland, Tex. Rankin, pilot of the plane which will fly at dawn tomorrow for Agua Caliente, Mex., dropped down to a perfect landing at the Lulu Island airport here at 8 o'clock tonight.

Pleased with the performance of his machine, and declaring that he was ready to leave at 3 a. m., tomorrow, Rankin, after seeing to housing and inspection of his tiny plane, sought rest before his long flight to the south.

At 6:45 p. m., Ray Astie, general manager of the Rankin school of flying Portland, R. C. Bartley, chief mechanic, and Bill Graham of the Rankin forest service, arrived here in a speed wing Waco machine. They were preparing for Rankin's take-off tomorrow.

The first plane to arrive covered the distance from Portland to Vancouver in two hours, 38 minutes.

Rankin said tonight that he believed he would arrive in Agua Caliente, Mexico, about 4 o'clock tomorrow. He would be greeted here, others of his party said, by officials from the city of San Diego, Agua Caliente and officers of the United States army air force.

In a message belt about his waist, Rankin will carry missives of good will from the Governor of British Columbia and the mayor of Vancouver, W. H. Malkin, and the mayor of San Diego. Since the flight, in addition to being an attempt to beat the records for the type of plane, is a good will gesture, the messages to the Mexican officials contain expressions of hope that through air service amicable relations between north and south may be more strongly cemented.

As he flies along the California coast and through Oregon and Washington, Rankin will be kept posted as to wind and weather conditions in a novel fashion. Balloons will test the air and through observation ground crews will prepare messages on blackboards to be carried aloft by planes for Rankin's convenience.

Breitenbush Fire Is Under Control

Forest fire in the Breitenbush district in the northwest section of the Santiam national forest, was reported well under control Friday night. The fire started Thursday afternoon and was burning over three acres when checked. Twenty men are fighting the blaze.

TESTS PERFORMED FOR LONG FLIGHT

SPOKANE, Aug. 10.—(AP)—With two refueling ships ready to greet him, the pilot of the plane which will fly at dawn tomorrow for Agua Caliente, Mex., dropped down to a perfect landing at the Lulu Island airport here at 8 o'clock tonight.

The big refueling planes have had their fittings torn out, and are equipped with huge gasoline tanks. These two silver ships will accompany Mamer's orange plane part way around the United States, and at several points still other refueling ships, manned by commercial crews, will do the work.

What They Think of The Convention

Retiring Commander Ben S. Fisher: "This, has been a very wonderful convention. Every hope and expectation we had for Salem has been exceeded. As for the arrangements the details were carried out to the last degree and the result was the finest convention I have known. I know the problems for I have been a convention chairman myself. The system planned and worked out by the Salem post called for maximum 'man-power' and the post responded to the last man. The drum corps were well cared for. The state officials were very considerate in accommodating the business sessions. In short Salem has proven an exemplary host."

Commander Sidney S. George: "I deeply appreciate the honor conferred on me in election to the post of commander of the Oregon department of the American Legion. The Salem legion and citizens have demonstrated a high degree of hospitality. My policy will be to carry forward the program which Commander Fisher initiated and so successfully rounded out. I am confident that the friendship and comradeship which have grown among the members of the legion in this and past conventions will enable the legionnaires to overlook any and all unpleasantness which may have arisen in the stirring contests of the week."

Silverton Golf Team to Stage Pajama Tourney

SILVERTON, Aug. 10.—Seeds of the campaign, "Freedom of dress for man," a slogan which has been so widely heralded by recent Oregonian cartoons, have undoubtedly fallen in fertile soil at last. If rumor is to be believed Silverton golfers will test out the feasibility of the idea, when they appear on the local course tomorrow for Agua Caliente, Mex., dressed down to a perfect landing at the Lulu Island airport here at 8 o'clock tonight.

ACCIDENT OCCURS TO MAR TAKEOFF

Navy Speed Flyer Starts on Series of Tests Preparing for Race

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Aug. 10.—(AP)—A slight accident to the propeller in taxiing prevented test flights today of the Mercedes which Lieut. Al Williams, navy speed flyer, hopes to wrest the Schneider seaplane racing trophy from Great Britain.

The propeller was bent, perhaps by striking some object drawn up from the water, while Williams was conducting taxiing tests on the Severn river, off the naval academy, late yesterday. The accident was not discovered until today when the propeller was sent to the Anacosta naval air station at Washington for repair.

Monday morning Williams, however, hopes to take the little monoplane into the air for tests which will determine if it is to be taken to England to compete in the Schneider races against British, French and Italian speed creations. The races will be held off Cowes, Isle of Wight, September 6 and 7.

Just how fast the bullet shaped racer will fly is not definitely known, but it must do more than 120 miles an hour, the present world's record, if Williams is to take it abroad. In the taxiing tests Williams skimmed the plane across the water at 106 miles an hour, just short of take off speed. He said it probably would get off the water at 110 miles an hour in a calm sea.

Ray Miller Pays Old Debt to City

Belated payment of a \$100 debt owed to the city of Salem resulted late Friday night from the arrest of Ray Miller, who had broken out of an alleged attack upon Eunice Pringle, 18 year old dancer late yesterday, and released under \$25,000 bond. His preliminary hearing was set for next Wednesday.

The girl, who is the daughter of Dr. Lewis Pringle, a suburban physician alleged Pantages attacked her in his private office while she was interviewing him in an effort to have her dancing act reinstated on his vaudeville circuit.

Dr. Hannah Beatty, juvenile bureau physician told District Attorney Byron Fitts, who personally investigated the charges, her examination of the girl substantiated the allegations.

Fitts immediately ordered the issuance of a statutory complaint and a charge of attacking a young girl by force and violence. The theatre magnate who recently announced completion of negotiations for the sale of most of his theatres in western states for \$15,000,000 refused to comment on the girl's charges after flatly denying them upon his arrest at 6 p. m., yesterday.

Findley Leaves On Honolulu Trip

Dr. M. C. Findley left Monday for Honolulu to attend the Pan American Surgical conference which meets in Honolulu August 14 to 24. He is a delegate representing the American College of Surgeons. At this conference he is to read a paper on his own technique of tonsillar operation. There will be papers read at the convention from medical men representing 15 different nations. The headquarters of the conference are at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel.

SALEM PASSES WARMEST DAY YET THIS YEAR

Mercury Reaches 98 With Many Thermometers Registering 100

Official Reading Two Points Above Previous High Mark of Season

The footprints of many a legionnaire and guardsman were left in the paving of Salem streets Saturday while the thermometers were showing their highest readings of the season. Official maximum for the day was 98 with over 100 registered downtown.

The highest previous record was 96 registered several weeks ago. As before the atmosphere was oppressive because of excessive moisture and lack of a breeze. Faint breezes blew up late in the afternoon but were effective only on streets extending north and south.

Evenings become somewhat cooler. Evenings during the last warm spell have been cooler than those in the previous one though Saturday night was slower to cool off than Thursday and Friday.

Hourly readings for the day follow: 10 a. m. ... 80 degrees 11 a. m. ... 88 degrees 12 noon ... 93 degrees 1 p. m. ... 98 degrees 2 p. m. ... 97 degrees 3 p. m. ... 98 degrees 4 p. m. ... 97 degrees 5 p. m. ... 96 degrees 6 p. m. ... 94 degrees 7 p. m. ... 90 degrees 8 p. m. ... 85 degrees 9 p. m. ... 82 degrees 10 p. m. ... 82 degrees

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 10.—(AP)—With the mercury above 90 virtually all afternoon, reaching a maximum of 95 in Portland and 100 in Vancouver, Wash., today was the hottest day of the summer for this section of the country.

Nearby cities reported high temperatures for the year. The Dalles reported 102, Eugene 94, Medford 97, Aberdeen, Wash., 90 and Medford 102.

High temperature and low humidity, coupled with a drying wind were reported to be increasing the fire hazard throughout the state.

PANTAGES FACING 2 FELONY CHARGES

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Alexander T. Pantages, 54, multi-millionaire owner of a vaudeville theatre chain today was arraigned on two felony charges upon Eunice Pringle, 18 year old dancer late yesterday, and released under \$25,000 bond. His preliminary hearing was set for next Wednesday.

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Sid Wins



Sid George of Eugene, who as a result of a last minute skirmish was elected head of the American Legion in Oregon. The vote was made unanimous and support pledged by all delegates.

PLANE DIVES INTO 50 FEET OF WATER

Brazilian Navy Flyer Meets Death by Drowning Off Coast

PENSACOLA, Fla., Aug. 10.—(AP)—Strapped in the cockpit of a wrecked airplane, the body of Lieutenant S. C. Cardero-Sarius, Brazilian navy flyer, tonight rested in 50 feet of water in Pensacola Bay, into which he plunged today near Port Barrancas while on a training flight.

With searchlights playing over the waters a crew of workers who rushed to the scene of the tragedy in every available boat at the naval air station here, tonight were attempting to raise the plane and the flyer's body to the surface, but the flyer's body was not found.

Leaving the naval air station here on a practice cruise Lieut. Cardero-Sarius flew high along the rugged shore line and then turned over Pensacola Bay. Suddenly the plane was seen to go out of control and plunge into the water.

Although a qualified aviator in the Brazilian navy, Lieut. Cardero-Sarius made a special request and was granted dispensation through the navy department to come here to take the training course offered at the naval station. He arrived last July 4 and had almost completed the course.

NEW SEATTLE BANK LARGEST IN WEST

SEATTLE, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Formal announcement of the merger of ten Seattle banks creating the largest bank west of Chicago and north of San Francisco, and having total resources of \$119,025,542, was made here today.

The merger was completed when the boards of the three major institutions involved approved the organization plan. The new bank will be known as the First Seattle Dexter Horton National Bank. W. H. Parsons, president of the Dexter Horton bank was announced as chairman of the board of the merged institution. Other officers are J. B. Hoge, J. A. Swallow, vice chairman of the board; M. A. Arnold, president; J. W. Spangler, chairman of the executive committee, and H. C. MacDonald, cashier.

Miss Hix Furnished Drugs For Self, Chemists State In Behalf of Prof. Snook

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Eleven witnesses were called by the defense today in its effort to bear out contentions that Dr. James H. Snook was temporarily insane and struck in self-defense when he killed his Ohio State university student mistress, Theora Hix.

Chemists and physicians attempted to describe what was in the stimulating sandwiches supposed to have been eaten by Dr. Snook and the girl when she was hammered and slashed to death on a lonely rifle range near Columbus the night of June 13.

Among the witnesses were: Robert Terry, pharmaceutical chemist; Dr. Clayton S. Smith, professor of pharmacology and physiology who taught Theora Hix when she was a medical student at Ohio state, Dr. Frank W. Harrah

SIDNEY GEORGE IS GIVEN PLACE AS COMMANDER

Eugene Man Elected Head of State Legion by Unanimous Ballot

Indications Nevertheless AM Point to Formation Of Parties

Representative government tends to operate along party lines. The government of the American Legion is representative. Major premise, minor premise, conclusion.

Indications were the legion convention here Saturday, that conditions were shaping themselves toward a possible party division. This showed most plainly in the roll call on the two offices for which there were contests, commander and secretary-committeeman. While there were variations, the post delegations which voted for Sidney S. George, successful candidate for commander, also for the most part voted for Ben S. Fisher, successful candidate for secretary-committeeman. The honor of representing Oregon on the national committee, who is also the retiring commander.

The variations were mostly explainable by geographic considerations, and the coincidences were so marked as to indicate that the department is temporarily divided on the basis of adherence to opposition (for political purposes only) to the latest administration—and there is the basis for division into set political parties, with nothing but distinguishing party names lacking.

Both were officially elected unanimously but not until the roll call had proceeded to the point at which they had polled a majority. In the race between Mr. George and Carl D. Gabrielson for the office of commander, there were 41 votes yet to be cast when a majority was reached and friends of Mr. Gabrielson moved for unanimous election of his opponent. Mr. Fisher's lead piled up a little more rapidly over the vote accorded William H. Masters, of Portland.

It was evident that the rivalry was distinctly friendly, however, this being the case when Edward Warner of Pendleton, in nominating Mr. Gabrielson, took occasion to decry vigorously the attempts made by outsiders to link Mr. George's candidacy with state politics.

One other important office was filled when the newly elected ex-

GEORGE EXPRESSES FULL APPRECIATION

The following statement was given out by Sid George of Eugene, newly elected commander of the American Legion department of Oregon, Saturday afternoon.

"I am deeply appreciative of the honor bestowed upon me by the department of Oregon in selecting me as its leader for the ensuing year. I fully realize the magnitude of the task involved in keeping the department at the high level which Commander Fisher and the preceding administration have maintained. I pledge that every ounce of energy I possess will be thrown into the work that has to be done. I have been given a wonderful executive committee and I know that I will have the loyal support of every legionnaire. I wish to express my appreciation to my friends who made my election possible and whom I was unable to see and thank after the convention closed."

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