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WEATHER Fair today and Thursday; No change in temperature. Max. temperature Tuesday 52; Min. 38; No rain; Wind northwest; River—2.7.

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NAVIGATION ON RIVER HALTED BY LOW WATER

Operations of Sawmill Also Are Held Up Due to Drop of Willamette

Steamer Stranger Removed From Portland-Salem Run, Announced

Unprecedented low water in the Willamette river, resulting from failure of the usual fall rains to materialize, has halted navigation on the river between this city and Portland, and is handicapping local industries notably the sawmill.

Although more maintenance work was done this year on the river to provide year-around navigation than ever before, the two freight steamers which have plied between Salem and Portland daily since early May, were unable to make their regular trips last week, and will be tied up until there is an appreciable rise in the water level.

Of these two steamers operated by the Salem Navigation company, the Northwestern and the Stranger, the latter proved better adapted to low water navigation although its cargo capacity was not so great. It made one successful trip after the water dropped to -2.4 on the river gauge here. For more than a week the level has been -2.7 feet, a low mark for all time since records have been kept.

During the time that the two steamers were operated regularly there was ample tonnage for them. It was stated Tuesday by A. S. Johnson, manager of the navigation company, that last summer, six dredges were in operation on the river, and it was put in the best condition for navigation that it had been in many years. Most of this was temporary work and freshets will move most of the sand back into the river bed. However, some wing dams were built, and the government appears definitely committed to the policy of developing year-around navigation on a permanent basis.

With the present improvement, navigation is practicable as long as the river here is above -2 feet. The steamers could operate now, but could not carry sufficient cargo.

Logging Company Seriously Handicapped An idea of the extreme shallowness of the river at present, may be gained from the fact that the Spaulding Logging company is unable to float in its larger logs, and for this reason the sawmill is running only four or five days a week. There is a sufficient supply of small logs, but the necessity for sorting out the larger ones makes it impossible to raft them in fast enough for steady sawing.

Officials of the logging company expected that the mill could be operated five days this week, as there are fewer large logs in the supply that is coming in at present.

\$5,000



Twenty-year-old Jean Frances Schilling, of Baltimore, Md., who, tired of struggling and worrying about the future, offers herself in marriage to the first man who presents her with \$5,000.

21 STUDENTS FIRED FROM UNIVERSITY

Proceedings Started Against Legal Fraternity for Booze Scandal

URBANA, Ill., Nov. 19.—(AP)—Twenty-one University of Illinois students were expelled today at a meeting of the university council of administration and Gamma Eta Gamma, legal fraternity involved in last week's liquor scandal, was ordered to show cause why it should not be disbanded.

Eight members of the fraternity were among those ordered expelled. The wholesale expulsions were said to be the most drastic disciplinary action ever taken by the council. Among the charges against the students were drinking, possession and sale of liquor, and violation of the university no-car rule.

Wilton J. Sherman of Crown Point, Ind., senior in the law school, who was fined \$500 after pleading guilty to possessing liquor found in the Gamma Eta Gamma house in a sheriff's raid early Sunday morning, was one of those expelled on liquor charges. Other members of the fraternity who were dismissed on similar charges were A. J. Withers of Hibbing, Minn.; E. E. Lanbans of Marion, Ill.; A. Butwell of Cicero, Ill.; R. F. Hughes of Burlington, Iowa; J. P. McMullan of Carthage, Ill.; Charles Binkert of Quincy, Ill.; and Robert J. Hartley of Toulon, Ill.

Robert Webb of Geneva, Ill., a senior, was expelled for buying and transporting the liquor that was found in the possession of B. W. Hoare, sophomore from Golconda, Ill., whose revelations after his arrest Saturday night led to the Gamma Eta Gamma raid.

No disciplinary action was taken against Hoare. Eight students were dismissed until next January 6th, for violating the no-car rule to drive to a football game at Evanston, Ill., a week ago. Three others were dismissed indefinitely for repeated violations of the no-car rule.

BREAK IN CABLE FOUND

ST. JOHNS, N. S., Nov. 19.—(AP)—The Western Union Cable company today announced it had located the breaks in its cables caused by yesterday's earthquake at a point 250 miles south of Newfoundland.

YEAR'S BUDGET FOR SCHOOL IS NOW APPROVED

Total of \$402,805 Will Be Spent During Present Year, Estimate

Health Service Items Boosted to \$7000; Returns Declared Good

The budget for the Salem school district as drawn up by the city superintendent and passed by the school board, was accepted by the citizens' budget committee at the meeting last night with scarcely any discussion. As had been predicted earlier and as the citizens' committee readily agreed, there was no place to cut.

The budget for the year ending June 30, 1930, reaches \$402,805, including \$2,073 for redemption of bonds. The estimated receipts for the year, exclusive of the bond money and district tax of \$173,132 which touches the six per cent limitation, total \$147,600. The total budget last year was \$397,082, with the district tax \$163,427, \$7,000 less allowed for health service.

The only budget item questioned by the committee was the \$7,000 included for health service, a raise over preliminary figures and also over the \$4,700 which the district contributed last year. This item was barely questioned and the discussion dropped when Chairman H. H. Ollinger stated the school board was more than satisfied with the returns the district was receiving from the money invested in the health program.

Personal service this year, including general control, supervisors, instructors, janitors, and librarians' salaries, amounted to \$297,660, as compared with \$277,874 last year. Materials and supplies have been held even under the needs, with but \$17,600 budgeted for these items, as against \$24,000 last year. Insurance was cut \$800, to \$2200, and maintenance and repairs for the year can only reach \$5,500, \$500 less than last year. Miscellaneous and emergency funds, reaching \$2,125.80 last year, were not included this year.

Interest on warrants will amount to \$2,472. The district will spend \$2,472 in interest on warrants during the year. Bonded indebtedness of the district at present reaches \$299,640, which will be reduced \$56,000 this year under the district's program of paying off bonds in a ten-year period. Redemption of the old 1910 bond of \$104,640 will be completed in another year, with but \$24,640 remaining. Forty thousand dollars remains on the \$100,000 high school addition bonds voted in 1924; the Parrish junior high bonds of \$220,000 have been cut to \$122,000; remaining bonds on construction of Leslie junior high in 1928, total \$104,000, and \$9,000 remains on the high school remodeling bonds issued in 1928. Interests on bonds this year will cost the district \$14,982.

School meeting for the purpose of discussion and voting on the budget will be held at the high school December 10, at 8 o'clock. Members of the citizens' committee present last night were W. H. Dancy, Frank Hughes and William Evans.

MRS. HAGER TAKEN BY DEATH TUESDAY

Mrs. Cordelia Hager, a resident of Marion county all her life, died at the age of 69 Tuesday in St. Vincent's hospital at Portland. Funeral services will be Thursday, probably at 1:30 p.m., from the Rigdon chapel, the Rev. Norman K. Tully officiating. Interment will be in the City View cemetery.

Mrs. Hager was born at Fairfield, May 7, 1860. Her father, L. A. Byrd, was a pioneer of 1846 and his mother, Mrs. Martha Byrd, had come to Oregon in 1850. Cordelia Byrd was married to William Hager and their home at Fairfield until 25 years ago, when they moved to Salem, which has been her home since that time. Mr. Hager, who had been a merchant and warehouse man at Fairfield, died about 15 years ago. Mrs. Hager was a graduate of the Oregon Normal school at Menmouth. She is survived by a son, Harold, living at Clatskanie, four brothers, Dr. R. D. Byrd and L. A. Byrd, of Salem, E. F. Byrd and Dr. P. C. Byrd, of Spokane; and two sisters, Virginia of Portland, and Mrs. Bertha E. McMahan, of Salem.

Forces Gathering For Tournament Of Bridge Teams

CHICAGO, Nov. 19.—(AP)—One thousand bridge players from nearly every state as well as Canada, Mexico, and Hawaii, are scheduled to begin play tomorrow in the national championship tournament of the American Bridge league. The women's team of four champions in action will be defended by the Pittsburgh team of Mrs. H. D. Stahl, Miss Margaret Beech, Mrs. H. E. Parsons and Mrs. C. W. Nokes. Mrs. Stahl and Miss Beech will also defend their action pair championship. Baron Von Zoltwitz and Theodore Lightner of New York, national contract pair champions, will also compete. Stars expected to attend the tournament are Wilbur C. Whitehead, E. V. Shepherd, Milton C. Work, the Ely Culbertsons, Mrs. Madeline Kewind and Mrs. Irene Haultain, of New York; R. R. Richards, Detroit; Fred C. Thwaites, Milwaukee, and others.

FIRST UNIT OF NEW WATER PLANT FIXED

Pipe Line Extends From Minto's Island to Site of Company's Dump

Completion of the first unit of the Oregon-Washington Water Service company's new water system for Salem, was marked Tuesday when back-filling of the trench in which the 25-inch concrete pipe line was laid across Minto island, was terminated.

That also completed the contract of Herman and Tuttle, Eugene firm which has been in charge of this work. The pipe line as laid so far is 1325 feet long, extending from the island end of the cast iron main laid last spring to the proposed site of the company's pump house adjoining the river.

The concrete line will be 1400 feet long, the laying of 75 feet being held up until the pump house is built.

Plans and specifications for the pump house will be ready late this month, together with the plans for the filtration plant which will be the most costly and elaborate unit of the system. On November 30 a conference will be held by officials of the Oregon-Washington company with the state public service commission, the state health officer and Salem city officials, at which time these plans will be gone over in detail. If they prove acceptable to all interests concerned, the company will be prepared to let a contract early in December for construction of the pump house. Completion of the pipe line was effected in record time by the contractors, who operated day and night crews in order to have the work finished before the fall rains started. As it was, considerable trouble was experienced with water which seeped into the trench, necessitating the use of a large number of pumps to keep it clear of water while the pipe was being laid.

Many Killed As Result of Big Election

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 19.—(AP)—The list of dead as the result of rioting in Mexico City on Sunday in connection with the national elections was increased to 100 today with the death of two of the injured. This brought the national total of 16 besides five policemen killed in the wreck of an automobile truck at Colima.

The offices of the attorney general stated that 2,000 complaints had been received of cases of alleged intimidation and violence during the voting. The complaints were turned over to the respective district courts. The department of the interior has ordered state governors to take precautions against disorders when district electoral boards meet on Thursday to compute the votes officially.

FINE WEATHER LOOMS LIKELY FOR THURSDAY

"All Valley Day" to be Observed by Merchants Of This City

Cards Shown in Local Store Windows to Designate Special Bargains

Conditions appeared Tuesday to be practically ideal for the introduction of the "All Valley Day" idea in Salem. In preparation for this big event Thursday, all of the stores participating had window displays featuring the articles on which unusual bargains will be offered that day. They also displayed the "All Valley Day" cards which will give notice to the public that they are cooperating and guaranteeing that the bargains are actually exceptional values.

While it is hazardous to predict weather conditions two days ahead, the foggy weather appeared to be at an end for the time being, and Tuesday was a comparatively warm, pleasant day, forecasting ideal conditions for shopping and the visits of thousands of out-of-town people to the local stores Thursday. Attention has been called to the individual announcement of each participating store, appearing in this issue of The Statesman and giving complete circulation throughout Salem's trading territory with its buying population of nearly 23,500 families.

Bargains announced include more than 88 separate lines, as each store participating offers two bargains or more. Exceptional values also will be purchasable in lines not covered by the announced bargain offers.

THIS CITY'S MADE DEPOT OF SUPPLIES

Water Company Ships Materials Here for Entire N. W. Division

Salem has been made supply depot for the entire division of the Oregon-Washington Water Service company. All the plant material and supplies and stationery for offices will be carried here and distributed to the various cities of the division upon requisition. This is already increasing the work of the local staff. Freight is moved here from the east by rail or by boat to Portland and up the river. Supplies then go out from here chiefly by truck. The other night a truck of pipe and supplies was dispatched to Hoquiam for use in the plant there.

Parcel post business will be stimulated too for lighter packages will move in and out by parcel post from division headquarters, stated J. T. Delaney, division manager.

Salem has also been made the billing headquarters for the whole division. By installing billing machines the work has been greatly speeded up and the costs reduced. Accounts for all the towns in the division will be handled here.

GOVERNOR DELAYS MOONEY'S PARDON

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 19.—(AP)—Thomas J. Mooney, convicted of the preparedness parade bombing, cannot know the outcome of his application to Governor C. C. Young for an unconditional pardon, before Christmas, it was indicated today.

Governor Young announced here that he would make no decision in the Mooney case until after the supreme court acts upon the pardon petition of Warren K. Billings his convicted co-conspirator in the bombing of the preparedness parade. "The two cases are so closely allied that I cannot act on one without taking the same action in the other," said Governor Young in his office at the state building here. "Justice requires that what is done for one must be done for the other." Billings was compelled to apply to the supreme court for a pardon because the law requires that those twice convicted of a felony must have their petition for pardon approved by the state supreme court before the governor can act.

He'll be Set Free Tonight



HARRY F. SINCLAIR

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—(AP)—Harry F. Sinclair tonight was obtaining his last sleep on the not too comfortable iron cot assigned to him since his commitment to the District of Columbia jail on May 6.

Only one more day of work as jail druggist and physicians assistant remains for the millionaire oil man, whose confinement of seven months and a half on charges of refusing to answer questions of a senate committee and shadowing jurors, ends at midnight tomorrow night.

His plans could not be learned but it was believed he would say goodbye to Major William L. Peak, warden of the institution, and depart immediately for his Long Island home.

M. E. McGilchrist Dies, Washington

Word of Passing of Former Salem Resident Reaches This City; Position Held in Office of U. S. Attorney General

Word of the death of Millar E. McGilchrist, son of William McGilchrist, Sr., of this city, in Washington, D. C., was received here Tuesday. He died that morning at the Mount Alto veterans hospital following an operation. He was special assistant to the attorney general of the United States, and had previously been first assistant United States attorney at Portland.

President Hoover, on learning of Mr. McGilchrist's death, sent flowers from the White House conservatory, and messages of condolence were sent to the widow by many high government officials including the attorney general.

News of Mr. McGilchrist's death came as a complete surprise to his Salem friends, as they had no information that he had been ill or that an operation was contemplated. Only 36 years old, Mr. McGilchrist had one of the brightest futures of any young attorney on the staff of the federal department of justice. This was the statement made here Tuesday by Willis Moore, assistant attorney general, who talked with McGilchrist's associates while he was on a recent visit to the national capital.

Mr. McGilchrist was born in Portland in January, 1893, and was brought by his parents to Salem in the same year. He graduated from Salem high school in 1909, and subsequently attended the University of Oregon. After graduating at the university he returned to Salem and attended the law department of Willamette university. He afterward went to Harvard, where he enlisted in the World war and was assigned

BLOCKING OFF OF SPACES PROTESTED

Protest against the blocking off of all parking spaces along the south side of State street from Liberty to High by the telephone company Tuesday afternoon, was made by the proprietors of business houses along that street and resulted in the removal of half of the barriers, those from the alley to High street, at noon. The business men declared that it was no necessary to prevent parking for an entire block when work was begun at the west end of it. Up to late Tuesday afternoon, pavement had been torn up for only one-fourth of the block. The barricades were placed in connection with construction work.

CONGRESSMAN INDICTED UPON BOOZE CHARGE

Federal Grand Jury Names Edward E. Denison of Illinois State

Leaky Trunk and Handbag Are Clues; Defendant Avers It's Mistake

By CECIL B. DICKSON Associated Press Staff Writer WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—(AP)—The indictment of Representative Edward E. Denison of Illinois by a federal grand jury today on a charge of possession of liquor added new force to the storm which has raged recently over prohibition enforcement in the capital.

A leaking suitcase and a trunk containing liquor, addressed to John Layne, in care of Denison, 411 House Office building, were the bases of the indictment, which also named Layne, who was his secretary nine years ago. Denison said the indictment resulted from a mistake, and Layne disclaimed any connection with the case.

Leaky Suitcase and Trunk Found by Cops The grand jury action follows a report by prohibition agents November 8, that they had found a leaking suitcase at the Union station and later a trunk containing liquor at Denison's office last January 19, after Denison returned from a visit to Panama. He made the Panama trip accompanied by his nephew, Charles Lane of St. Louis, his secretary, Miss Lucile Lee said.

Denison has been a consistent dry voter during his eight terms in the U. S. House of Representatives district, which includes Willamette county where the Herrin riots occurred. He voted for the 18th amendment, the Volstead Act, and the Jones law. The latter imposes drastic penalties on liquor law violators. All Big Mistake Congressman Avers

He was advised at his home in Marion, Ill., of the grand jury's action. The situation was explained to him by Miss Lee in a telephone conversation, and an Associated Press staff reporter asked him if he desired to make a statement.

Expressing "surprise" that an indictment had been returned, Denison said: "When the prohibition agents came to my office and inquired about a trunk, I permitted them to inspect it. I found that the trunk was not mine; that it belonged to some one else and that the express company had made a mistake in directing a trunk to me that I did not own. I explained it fully to the agents and I am very much surprised that an indictment has been returned."

A similar mistake had been made, he said, with regard to a hand bag. His nephew, Lane, he added, had a bag but a mistake had been made and the wrong

DEVELOPMENT OF HARBOR IS SOUGHT

CRESCENT CITY, Cal., Nov. 19.—(AP)—Development by the government here as an outlet for Josephine, Jackson and Douglas counties in Oregon and Del Norte and surrounding counties in California was backed today by statements of six oil companies and the American Smelting and Refining company in a hearing called here by the board of army engineers. The proceedings were the result of action by the commerce committee of the United States senate which had called for an economic survey of the large southern Oregon and northern California territory involved, in its relations will be forwarded immediately to the senate commerce committee.

Dr. J. N. Smith Resigns as Superintendent of Oregon School for Feeble Minded

Dr. J. N. Smith, for more than 14 years superintendent of the state home for the feeble minded here, Tuesday submitted his resignation to the state board of control. The resignation was accepted and Dr. Roy Byrd was appointed as his successor. Dr. Byrd has served as assistant superintendent of the feeble minded home since October, 1921. Dr. Smith was appointed superintendent of the feeble minded institution during the administration of the late Governor Withycombe. Mrs. Smith had acted as matron of the home. Before entering state service Dr. Smith lived in Salem for many years where he was a practicing physician. Dr. Byrd served in the medical department during the world war, and at the time of being mustered out of service, had attained the rank of captain. He practiced his profession in Salem during the period 1907 to 1917. The need of a rest, due to his advanced age and long service, was urged by Dr. Smith as the reason for his resignation. Dr. and Mrs. Smith will spend several weeks at Newport, after which they will return to Salem to make their home.

Redskin Youngsters Flee In Hail of Bullets; One Dives From River's Bank

A pair of young Siletis Indian adventurers were in the custody of the Marion county juvenile officer, Mrs. Nona White, yesterday afternoon after a few hours of excitement during which one of the young bucks dove into the Willamette river and both were fired upon by local officers before they were finally captured. The two young redmen, Bruce, aged 16, and Clarence, aged 8, are brothers and came to Salem Tuesday morning with their parents, who told the boys they could have their freedom if they were careful to meet their parents on the Salem end of the Marion-Polk county bridge at noon Tuesday. Shortly after 9 o'clock in the morning the boys returned to the bridge to await the arrival of their parents, a Mr. and Mrs. Carter. There wasn't much to do but wait. Of course this was too monotonous for a pair of lively young Indians so a bicycle which one of the boys noticed lying on the sidewalk was pressed into use to help while away the time. It seemed that neither of the boys could ride, yet both were having a big time. A passerby decided that the police should be called and when the officers arrived the boys began to depart rather hurriedly with the bicycle. A shot was fired by the officers to make the scampering boys halt. Bruce, the elder, did stop but eight-year-old Clarence desired to make good his escape so he dived into the river just below the bridge. Wet and shivering, the boy was fished out and taken to police headquarters to dry. Later they were turned over to Mrs. White, who called Siletis, Oregon, in an attempt to find the parents of the youngsters.

ARMY MEET TALKED

PARIS, Nov. 19.—(AP)—Count Masoni, Italian ambassador, had a long conference today with Foreign Minister Aristide Briand which was semi-officially said to have been of a general character but dealing especially with the forthcoming naval disarmament conference in London.