

# The Oregon Statesman

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**WEATHER**  
Cloudy today and Thursday; Occasional rains. Max. temperature Tuesday 45; Rain 18; River 8.4; Calm; Cloudy.

**CIRCULATION**  
Daily average distribution for the month ending November 30, 1929  
**6,830**  
Average daily net paid 6,109  
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## Reduction of Navies Is Talked

### Japanese and United States Delegates Hold Meet

### Optimistic Hopes as to Future Expressed by Officials

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Secretary Stimson and former Premier Reijiro Wakatsuki of Japan exchanged "optimistic hopes" for the success of the forthcoming London naval conference during a three hour discussion today of the underlying problems of the United States and Japan involving sea armaments. The conversations were initiated at the home of the secretary of state, and a statement issued tonight at the state department said the meeting had been "frank and friendly."

Other participants in the exchange of views included members of the Japanese delegation to London and Ambassador Morrow, an American delegate. Full discussion of the problem is held.

The text of the state department statement, which was issued jointly to American and Japanese newspapers, follows:

"Reijiro Wakatsuki, chief delegate, Admiral Takeshi Takerabe, delegate, Japanese ambassador Ichihashi and Hiroshi Saito, secretary, visited the secretary of state at his house this afternoon. The secretary had with him Ambassador Dwight W. Morrow and Ambassador R. Castle, Jr.

"There was a frank and friendly discussion of the underlying problems of the two countries which affect the issues of the conference."

Both Mr. Wakatsuki and Secretary Stimson expressed optimistic hope for the successful termination of the conference and the increase of good will between the two countries which a solution.

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## Co-ed Miner



The Washington State College presents something unique in the annals of industry—a co-ed miner—and she's no gold digger!

## GOOD CHEER FUND IS NOT YET \$1000

### Hurry Call Is Sent Out for Much Needed Money for Christmas Use

THE SALVATION ARMY "GOOD WILL FUND"	
Previously reported	\$564.32
Col. Carl Abrams	5.32
Andrew Davis	2.00
E. C. Ballinger	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. Dickinson	5.00
Mrs. B. E. Carrier	5.00
S. E. Purvine	10.00
Hope G. Preston	5.00
W. S. Levens	5.00
F. M. M. Lyons, Ore.	1.00
Daniel J. Fry, Sr.	15.00
W. W. Looney	5.00
Anonymous	25.00
Street Kettles, Dec. 17th	32.08
H. F. Woody	2.50
& Sons	2.50
Total to date	\$704.00

It is said that the cow bird never builds its own nest. When it gets ready to lay its eggs, it hunts up some nest that.

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## Oregon Briefs..

### Girl Breaks Arm

ALBANY, Ore., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Frances, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bray of this city, suffered a broken arm today when an auto in which she was riding was struck by a car driven by Joseph Ellis, Eugene, at a street intersection. Francis and her companions, Loren Bray, a brother, and Owen Lemmon, were enroute to Oregon State college to attend classes.

### Rum Runners Nabbed

MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Attempts of runners to bring liquor from California for holiday consumption in Oregon have met with little success during the past week.

Frank Chester, catcher on the Medford baseball team, and Lewis Dunlap of Portland, were arrested last night on the Pacific highway by Terry Talent, federal agent, and Deputy Sheriff Paul Jennings on a charge of transportation and possession of liquor. Their automobiles contained more than 100 bottles of alleged bonded liquor.

### Buckaroos Lose Again

SEATTLE, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The Victoria Cubs won their first game of the season in the Pacific Coast Hockey league when they defeated the Portland Buckaroos 3 to 0 here tonight. Victoria scored one goal in the second period and two in the third.

### Bend Snow Covered

BEND, Ore., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Central Oregon's first snow to

## MANNIX TRIAL TO BE CLOSED THIS MORNING

### Final Argument Scheduled In Sensational Disbarment Action

### Case Expected to be Taken Under Advisement by Three Referees

A. E. Reames, Medford, one of the three prosecutors appointed by the supreme court to prosecute the disbarment proceedings against Thomas Mannix, Portland attorney, will present the final closing argument for the state this morning.

The decision to continue the hearing over until today came late Tuesday afternoon when it is said that Frank J. Longan, Portland, defense counsel for Mannix, would not conclude his argument until the usual adjournment time.

Corvallis Lawyer Opens for State

Arthur Clark, of Corvallis opened the arguments for the state before Circuit Judges Skipworth of Eugene, Wilson of The Dalles and Norton, Grants Pass, and was followed by his colleague, A. K. McMahon, who addressed himself to the referees on the subject of the law held by the state to be applicable.

The petition seeking Mannix' disbarment was filed by George W. Joseph, another Portland attorney. Mannix filed the petition against Joseph heard earlier by the same referees.

Decret Laid to Mannix By Prosecution

The petition against Mannix charged misrepresentation and deceit practiced upon the state and federal courts in the various Wemme cases, violation of the criminal statutes in obtaining money by false pretenses in the uttering of worthless checks, and, in general, unethical and unprofessional conduct in the practice of law.

The case will be taken under advisement by the three referees. An early decision is not expected in either the Joseph of Mannix cases. Each took four days for trial and the record in each case is extensive in addition to the long transcript of testimony in each case, the referees have before them volumes of documentary evidence to consider as well as the citation of authority.

## SUBURBAN FIRE STATION IS NOT USED IN CRISIS

### East Salem Crew Idle While Trucks Rush by From Headquarters

### Some Doubt Necessity of Retaining Extra Apparatus For Use in City

Grave doubt as to the usefulness of a suburban fire station and the several others that are to be added, unless some better method is devised for turning in alarms, was entertained by residents of the East Salem district Tuesday as a result of occurrences there that afternoon.

Fire broke out in the residence of Otto Hillman, 606 South 21st street, shortly after 3 o'clock. An alarm was turned in to the downtown fire station, which is the only method provided, and the crew from that station responded, although the fire was only a few blocks from the East Salem station.

Suburban Crew Sees Large Engines Roll By

Residents in the vicinity claimed that the downtown apparatus rolled by, directly in front of the suburban station, while the crew looked on, completely mystified.

Considerable damage was done to the house, especially the interior and the upper part of the structure, and East Salem residents were claiming Tuesday afternoon that much of this damage could have been avoided had the East Salem fire crew responded instead of the downtown crew.

It was rumored that the downtown crew had forgotten, in the excitement of the alarm, that there was a fire station closer to the scene of trouble, but this, according to Chief Harry Hutton, was by no means the truth.

Reasons Explained By Fire Chief

The chief explained that he had personally ordered the downtown crew to answer the alarm, for the reason that the fire was described as a big one which the crew of four men at the East Salem station could not have handled.

As soon as the new emergency truck, which was delivered to the downtown station Tuesday, is properly limbered up, it will be sent out with men to supplement the suburban crews on fires of this kind, but it was not advisable to do this Tuesday, the chief explained.

The chief questioned whether the East Salem apparatus could have reached the fire much sooner than the downtown crew, since another telephone call would have been necessary.

Residents of East Salem declared that if this were true, there is not much justification for maintaining the suburban station.

## To Marry Within Few Days



Miss Helen Wills

## Tennis Champion To Take Partner

### Helen Wills Will Become Bride of Frederick Moody, Jr., Within Very Short Time; Brilliant Social Events Many

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Miss Helen Wills, champion of all the women tennis players, will be married within a few days to Frederick S. Moody, Jr., young San Francisco broker, her mother, Mrs. C. A. Wills of Berkeley, said today.

Mrs. Wills, wife of a Berkeley physician, said the exact time and place of the wedding would be announced next Thursday, and that until then nothing definite could be said regarding plans. She said, however, it would be very soon.

Guesses circulated freely around San Francisco Bay today supposedly coming from close friends of the Wills family. These fixed the date of the wedding anywhere from "before Christmas" to "around New Years." It was known that former United States Senator James D. Phelan, who has been regarded as Miss Wills' social sponsor here, is giving a large dinner for her at the St. Francis hotel tomorrow night, and that Mr. and Mrs. John Drum, prominent socially, are giving a dinner for her at their Fairmont Hotel bungalow Thursday night. These parties admittedly were gestures of farewell to her bachelorhood.

Miss Wills and her fiancé have been engaged about a year. Before announcing their engagement they had been friends for years and with their parents, had been together here and on the French Riviera. Miss Wills said when her engagement became known, that she would confine her studies at the University of California and her tennis and that as far as tennis is concerned, matrimony would not interfere with it.

The Chronicle today said that after the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Moody would spend their honeymoon on the yacht Galeana, owned by Cyril Tobin, a friend, cruising down the west coast of Mexico.

Mr. Moody is 28 years old and Miss Wills is 23.

## Northcutt Tried In Secrecy For Alleged Actions

BREMERTON, Wash., Dec. 17.—(AP)—The court martial of Lieutenant Harold W. Northcutt, Norfolk, Va., naval officer who disappeared from his post in October and was arrested in Seattle in November, continued today behind closed doors at the navy yard here.

The trial has been held in absolute secrecy throughout, even the witnesses being sworn not to reveal their testimony after leaving the room. Officers would give no intimation of how long the trial would last.

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## Aviators Survive On Long Distance Airplane Jaunts

### British Birdmen Speed Toward South African Area

### Jones-Williams Leads Flight Attempting New Record

GRANWELL AIRDROME, Lincolnshire, England, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Two Royal Air force officers tonight were entering on the most hazardous stage of their attempted nonstop flight to South Africa with a new long distance record as their goal.

They left here at 3:00 a. m. (3:30 a. m. E. S. T.). With weather conditions distinctly favorable for their effort, they hoped to reach South Africa before nightfall on Thursday. Their Fairey monoplane was loaded with 1,200 gallons of gasoline, 200 gallons more than it had been expected the motors would be able to lift.

Through the special radio set designed for long distance communication that the plane carried, Squadron Leader A. G. Jones-Williams and Flight Lieutenant N. H. Jenkins were able to keep the air ministry here informed of their progress across France and the Mediterranean.

After crossing Tunis, with its scattered French settlements and military posts, the fliers will face the hazards of the French section of the great Sahara desert. Beside the natural hazards of this expansive sand and rock, a forced landing might place them at the mercy of marauding bands of Arabs, although the men were equipped with sporting rifles.

One oasis from which they probably will take a bearing is that of Ghat (Yat). Their southward flight a few hundred miles farther on will bring them to the great equatorial jungles and they planned to strike the Atlantic coast again near Douala in the Cameroons. Following down the west coast they would pass over Benguela in Portuguese West Africa, Walvisch Bay and thus come to Capetown.

The inside of the cabin was painted a dull color to soften the glare of the desert sun. The men carried curiously shaped knives to hack a path through jungle thickets in case of a forced landing. The specially prepared food, stored several weeks while their sporting guns might be reckoned on to provide fresh meat.

## 62 MINERS DIE AS RESCUE TRY FAILS

McALESTER, Okla., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Emerging from the Old Town Coal company's mine late tonight, Miller D. Hay, chief state mine inspector said all hope had been abandoned for the rescue of any of the miners, still in the shaft.

McALESTER, Okla., Dec. 17.—(AP)—With realization that death must have taken most of the 62 miners imprisoned today by an explosion in the Old Town Coal company's mine in North McAlester, a pall of hopelessness fell tonight on the efforts of rescue workers recruited from mines in the McAlester district.

Hopes, raised by the rescue late today of 3 men from their deep prison, fell with the assertion of rescuers that presence of an after-damp in the lower levels virtually precluded the possibility of any other victims surviving.

Twenty-three bodies had been brought to the surface, early tonight and were taken to a morgue here.

## Taxes To Be Higher For People Here Next Year

After all the discussions of budgets and tax levies on the part of state, county, city and school district officers has subsided, there will still remain to be answered the timid query of the mere taxpayer, "How much will my taxes be?"

At present the only authoritative answer that can be given the taxpayer in Salem is that his taxes will be higher next year than they were this year.

Two principal reasons for this conclusion appear; first, the reduction in assessed valuations caused by the withdrawal of national banks' property from the tax rolls, and second the increase in the Salem city levy, necessitated because the public is now beginning to pay for its new bridges, sewers, incinerator and airport.

Just how much the total assessed valuation in Salem has been reduced is not yet known, as

## AUTHORITIES PROBE WEBFOOT WELCOME

### High School Girls Were too Enthusiastic, Suspicion Raised in Florida

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 17.—(AP)—The county school board is investigating the greeting of the Oregon football team by 27 girls of Andrew Jackson high school two weeks ago.

Although mothers of 25 of the 27 girls have signed statements that they had their parents' permission to entertain the football squad, the school board has attempted to learn why the girls were permitted to meet the players at the station.

B. D. Fincannon, president of the junior chamber of commerce, said his organization would cooperate fully, but said it was his intention to enter into the football squad the school board has attempted to learn why the girls were permitted to meet the players at the station.

## HIGHER TEACHING STANDARDS ASKED

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Higher standards for teachers, graduation in certification, larger salaries, reorganization of teaching loads, greater recognition of the professional status of teachers were some of the means suggested by Professor F. L. Stetson of the University of Oregon, that would enable schools to render the entire service of which they are capable.

Stetson is chairman of a committee which worked out a report on the professional standards to be presented and discussed at the convention of the Oregon State Teachers association in Portland on December 25, 27 and 29.

Charging that the public has been willing to accept low professional standards, Stetson, in a preliminary report, said that for this reason progress toward greater efficiency must come from the profession itself but will demand an understanding with and cooperation of the public at large.

## Man Without Hands Guilty Forging Check

### CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—(AP)—A certain German baron who took extreme delight in telling "whoppers" might have given up his hobby in disgust if he had been able to attend Justice Max Luster's court today and heard Frank Greshmeyer who has no hands, sentenced for forgery.

Greshmeyer, who professes to "live by his wits" since both his hands were amputated in a factory accident, was given a year in the house of correction and a fine of \$100 after his father-in-law, Paul Massmuth, proved that Greshmeyer had forged his name to a check by holding a pen under his stump.

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Later, she said, Greenway and Hester told her they had killed Franklin and threatened to kill her if she told.

These threats, she said, kept her silent from last March 9, until about a month ago, when she gave testimony to the grand jury, which resulted in murder indictments against the four men and one other, Alek Fuiks.

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## SEARCH FOR BURKE GETS MORE INTENSE

### Machine Gun Found in Residence May be One That Killed Gangster

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—(AP)—New impetus was given to the intensive man hunt for Fred Burke, reputed desperado, today as the coroner Herman N. Buesden of Cook county made tentative identification of bullets fired from a machine gun found in the Burke Michigan bungalow similar to those found on the bodies of seven Michigan gangsters, who were massacred in a Chicago garage last February.

The bullets were sent to Major Calvin C. Goddard, ballistic expert, for microscopic examination.

Two machine guns were found in the Burke hideout after he was alleged to have shot and killed Policeman Charles Skelley in St. Joseph, Mich., last Saturday. Markings on the bullet of one gun were not visible to naked eye. Bullets from the other, however, bore ridges believed to be caused by slight jamming.

Deputy Commissioner John A. Stegeman and State Attorney Investigator Pat Roche agreed that the same markings were observed on bullets taken from bodies of the slain Morgan gangsters.

Roche and Stege said they believe Burke, if found, would not submit to arrest without a battle. They broadened a manning to officers to be extra cautious.

"The government wants Burke for national bank robbery," said Stege. "Illinois wants him for the massacre, Indiana and Wisconsin for bank holdups, Kentucky for robbery, Ohio for killing a policeman during a holdup and Michigan for killing Policeman Skelley."

## IDAHO UNIVERSITY GIRLS COVER KNEES

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 17.—(AP)—University of Idaho girls must cover up their knees before they come back to school after Christmas.

That was the edict of Permeal French, dean of women, as reported by girls returning here today from Moscow, Idaho, for the holidays. As reported, Dean French announced the edict at a meeting of representatives of sororities and girls dormitories, called prior to the Christmas recess and ordered not only longer dresses but wider around the hips by at least two inches—so as not to disclose too much "shape."

The alterations in the dress must be completed by the time the girls report for school January 6.

Not all the girls were pleased with the order, in spite of the trend of fashion toward longer skirts.

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