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WEATHER
Generally cloudy today and Friday; Possible rain. Max. temperature Wednesday 60; Min. 30; Wind north, 5 miles; River 1; No rain.

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WORST FOREST FIRE PERIOD IN YEARS FEARED

Phenomenal Rainfall is Only Thing That Can Avert Bad Situation

Federal Office Issues Pessimistic Statement on Present Outlook

PORTLAND, Ore., March 19.—(AP)—The United States district forest office here today announced that "unless phenomenal rainfall occurs sometime within the next three months, the Pacific Northwest will face a forest fire season probably more disastrous than that of 1929." The announcement said the entire district is suffering from a rain and snow deficiency averaging 40 per cent.

Major John D. Guthrie, assistant district forester, declared reports indicated forest areas are drier now than ever before at this time of the year in the history of his office. Lower mountain regions, he said, are wholly without the normal snow covering he described as "an insurance against a serious fire season."

New Records in Fire Losses Are Anticipated
"The season outlook," Major Guthrie declared, "is very bad. From present indications we can look forward to a more extensive season than the last, which set several fire loss records."

Exemplary, he said, of many Pacific northwest areas, the assistant forester exhibited the following report from Colville national forest in northeastern Washington:
"Things look pretty gloomy here. There is no snow in the lower mountains and the ground is as dry as in the summer months and there is no green stuff growing at all."

During the last week, Major Guthrie said, small fern fires, virtually unprecedented at this time of the year, have been reported from various parts of the Pacific northwest.
Two rather extensive fern fires were reported in Lane county west of Eugene.

JURY LIST IS NAMED FOR COURT SERVICES

The first drawings on the 1930 jury list were made at the court house Wednesday afternoon when the jury for the April term of the Marion county circuit court was drawn. Carl H. Ostrin, local dairyman, was the first name drawn from the list.

The following is a complete list of those whose names were drawn for jury service next month:
Carl H. Ostrin, Salem No. 3; Wm. E. Savage, Chemawa; Alice H. Dodd, Salem No. 11; Albin Winslow, Aumsville; Gilbert M. Belknap, Sidney; Walter J. Kirk, Salem No. 12; Fred G. Evenden, West Woodburn; James D. Hartwell, Salem No. 2; G. M. Mehl, North Silverton; Wm. H. Fisher, Salem No. 2; Paul W. Ellis, Salem No. 10; John W. Berkley, East Woodburn; C. M. Robinson, Salem Heights; Lulu E. Borling, Salem No. 16; Sim F. Etzel, Sublimity; Isaac L. Moore, North Silverton; D. D. Duce, Salem No. 17; Anna M. Astill, Salem No. 3; Theodore Rubens, Fairfield; Sylvester J. Starr, Sublimity; Arthur Goffin, Waconda; Jacoba DeLespinasse, West Hubbard; George M. Hoysner, Riverview; Amy Harding, East Gervais; Haze Courtney, West Woodburn; Archer Rice, Salem No. 3; Walter F. Green, Scotts Mills; Frank E. Kleinke, Salem No. 3; Nunda B. Gribble, Champoeg; George Benton, Woodard; Anna Hadley, North Silverton.

G. O. F. ROW LOOMIS
WASHINGTON, March 19.—Lena E. Eklund, republican national committeewoman from Florida, said tonight that opposing factions within the party had "maliciously and grossly violated" an agreement under which he and State Chairman E. E. Calloway were to have resigned their posts in the interest of party harmony. "I have not resigned," he said, "nor do I intend to do so."

Candidate Yet Sought To Enter Contest For Judge

The old story is that the nice one day decided to tell the cat. This decision out of the way, the only question was whom they should choose for this important job. And there the trouble lay. About the same situation applies to the circuit judgeship and certain members of the Salem bar who are convinced that Judge L. E. McMahon has had his day on the bench and should be defeated at the republican primaries in May.
But who shall attempt to relieve the judge of his position? Rumor had it first that John Carson, district attorney, would aspire to the assignment of defeating McMahon but repeated details of any such view from Carson's office have eliminated him as a contender. Custer Ross, Salem attorney, was prominently mentioned as a potential contender

Lumber Tariff's Fate In Balance In Senate Today

Vote Expected on Much Discussed Issue; Final Passage of Completed Bill Is Hoped for in Next Few Days Say Leaders

WASHINGTON, March 19.—(AP)—The senate moved a little nearer the end of its long tariff struggle tonight by rejecting two more proposals for duties on oil, approving a levy of 30 cents an ounce on silver, now free, and increasing the existing duty on staple laces from 90 to an average of 127 per cent.

A final desperate attempt by the Oklahoma senators to get a tariff on oil plunged the senate into one of its most bitter debates. Attacks were made by the Oklahomans on the lobby committee, while members of this committee retorted with charges of "rotetrading" on oil and sugar by the Oklahoma and Colorado senators.

Three of the four senators from these two states entered details of any agreement on the sugar and oil duties and seven hours of debate on oil ended with a vote of 33 to 29 against the proposed oil tariff. A modified oil proposal also was rejected, 32 to 28.

Leaders were still hopeful tonight of final passage of the tariff measure before the end of the week.
The three-defeated hide, leather and shoe rates probably will come to another vote before the final roll call. Senator Herbert, republican, Rhode Island, who won the lace increase tonight, served notice he would ask a reconsideration of the action denying tariff protection to those three free list commodities.

Washington Senator Brings in New Bill
Senator Jones, republican, Washington, introduced a modified lumber tariff amendment just before the close tonight, calling for a rate of \$1.50 a thousand board feet on fir, spruce, pine, hemlock, and larch lumber. Jones' \$2 proposal was defeated several weeks ago.

Senator Pittman, democrat, Nevada, was the author of the 30 cents an ounce tariff on silver, which won 55 to 19.
With disposition of the lumber controversy and a proposal of Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska, to suspend duties where monopolies in restraint of trade are found to exist, a batch of incidental amendments to scattered sections of the bill will remain for balloting.

Scores of these are pending. Senator Copeland, democrat, New York, offering 17 new ones tonight.
Members of the Salem chamber of commerce with David B. Hill as the headliner, furnished the program Wednesday night at the regular monthly meeting of the Silverton chamber. Hill shared many of his personally taken moving pictures. Silver Creek Falls were featured.

Mike Panek, local auto accessory dealer, started with several numbers in which he impersonated a Swede.
J. N. C. Chambers, president of Salem chamber, made an informal talk, extending the good will of the local business men to those of Silverton.

Accompanying the Salem party was C. C. Wilson, secretary of the chamber; C. R. Logan of the Capital Journal and Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Logan.
S. O. S. CALL CANCELLED
NEW YORK, March 19.—(AP)—The Greek freighter Eugenia, which sent out an S. O. S. this morning while drifting helplessly nearly 200 miles northeast of the Bermuda Islands, tonight notified the American freighter Syros that she was out of immediate danger and was proceeding on her course.

but Ross likewise refuses to run. Wednesday, Max Page who had been flirting with a candidacy, said in unequivocal terms that he would not enter the political lists other than to serve as campaign manager for Senator Charles McNary.

C. H. Inman, among the mentioned aspirants, has shown no disposition to further his aspirations and no organized group has appeared to urge his candidacy before Marion county voters.
Guy O. Smith, Salem lawyer, appears to be the only possible contender left in the field. Smith admitted Wednesday that he would make up his mind as to whether he had the matter under consideration but would give no indication as to whether the decision would be for or against a race to unseat McMahon. (Turn to page 2, col. 11)

TERRIFIC GALE SWEEPS OVER ROCKIES AREA

Sun Hidden From View When Thick Dust Clouds Are Blown Into Air

Northern Idaho and Eastern Washington Hardest Hit By Windstorm

SPOKANE, March 19.—(AP)—Gale-like wind storms, accompanied by a dust pall that hid the sun and bathed the countryside in a murky yellow light, today swept over eastern Washington, northern Idaho and western Montana, leaving a path of destruction in their wake.

Near Plains, Mont., the gale roared up the Missoula river, lifted the east span of the Clark fork highway bridge and toppled it into the river. Hay sheds and other small buildings in the vicinity were wrecked, and much timber was leveled.

At Davenport, Wash., a 5,000 bushel steel grain storage tank, weighing four tons was destroyed. The tank was set into a concrete base with half inch bolts. At times during the peak of the storm dust was so thick that visibility for more than 50 yards was impossible.

In many sections of eastern Washington and northern Idaho power lines were blown down and trees cut over onto them, temporarily cutting off service. In the Cascade mountains between Ellensburg and Cle Elum the high tension lines feeding the Ellensburg municipal power plant were blown down. Crews from both cities were sent into the mountains, but they were unable to report the extent of the damage because telephone connections were broken.

A half mile tunnel under the Yakima river was reported to be filling with water, and all but one of the battery of motors used for pumping were submerged.
Poultry raisers said that the temporary power shutdown had killed many unbatched chickens in their incubators.

BUILDING PERMITS REACH HIGH TOTAL

The largest total of building permits to be issued this year were granted by E. C. Bushnell, building inspector, when the Oregon Water company was granted permission to erect a filtration plant at its headquarters on 15 S. Commercial street. The cost of the improvement was estimated at \$101,652.22. C. D. Develibus is to have charge of the construction.

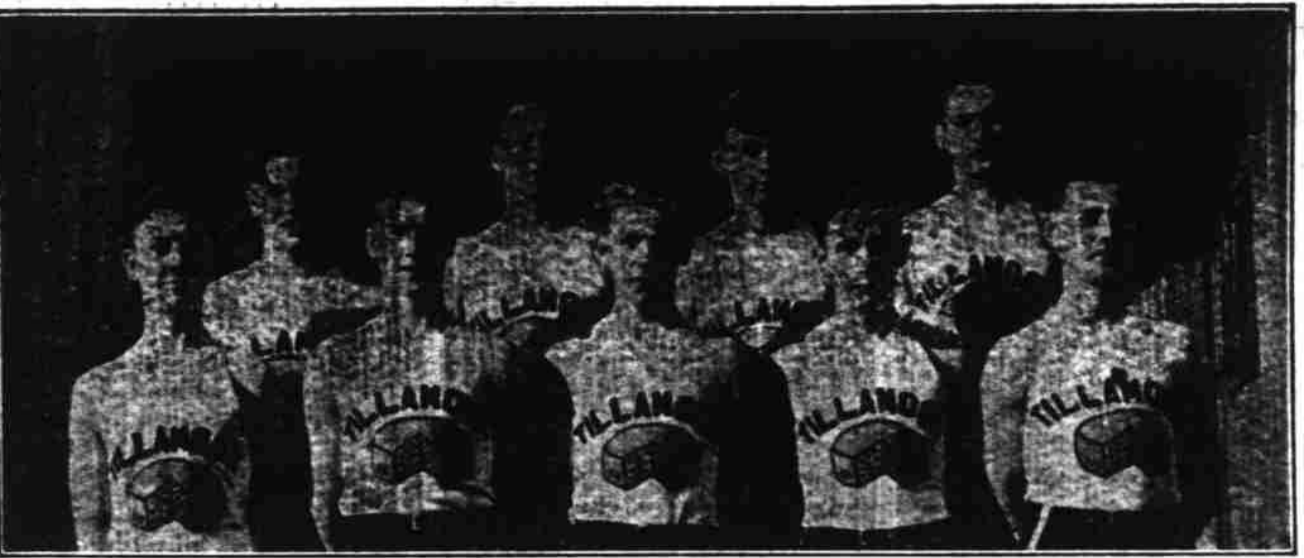
H. C. Hummel obtained permission to build a new residence at 945 Granet street in the Rich addition. Hummel will build the house for sale. Cost was estimated at \$2,500.
P. H. Jaskoski obtained permission to make repairs to the extent of \$175 on his dwelling at 1665 S. Cottage street.
The city received a fee of \$197 for the permit for constructing the new filtration plant.

Permits are soon to be issued for four new super-service stations according to Bushnell.

ASSET SHOW INCREASE

NEW YORK, March 19.—(AP)—The pamphlet report of the General Motors Corporation, published today, shows total assets as carried on the balance sheet at the end of the year of \$1,324,389,764, as increased from \$1,242,894,869 a year previously.

Win First Hot Tilt in Tourney



The Tillamook Chessmakers, who proudly wear the symbol of their home county's prosperity on their jerseys, won the hottest contest of the first day's round of games in the state tournament, defeating North Bend 15 to 11 after the score had been tied at the end of two periods. Coach Russ Harey of Tillamook is one of those modest mentors who object to getting in the picture. Players shown here are: Top row, from the left, Mahan, White, Lamb, Naegle; bottom row, Conover, Eagle, Bunn, Schoppert and Zackman.

Tillamook And Commerce Take Last Night's Games

Pendleton Quint Defeats Dallas by 30 to 22

Eugene Wallops Redmond Hoop Team 51 to 25

Eugene and Pendleton were victors in the first pair of games in the state basketball tournament here Wednesday afternoon, Eugene defeating Redmond 51 to 25 and Pendleton triumphing over Dallas 30 to 22.

Sharpshooting on the part of Houghton, Eugene forward whose performance will send him a long way toward all-tournament consideration, and the effective work of Bradway under the basket accounted largely for the Lane county team's victory.
Redmond sent a hard fighting team, but its recently adopted fast breaking style was not "down pat," and furthermore it did not work in well with the man-to-man defense Coach Hicks (Turn to page 2, col. 3)

DEAN HEWITT WILL CONDUCT LONG TOUR

The opportunity to visit South America in the capacity of leader of an expedition composed chiefly of students has been extended Dean Roy Hewitt of the Willamette school of law, and he will leave Salem at the end of the school year for Washington, D. C., to begin the tour under the auspices of the Pacific Era Travelers, incorporated, according to an announcement made Wednesday.

Dean Hewitt was selected as leader of the South American expedition, because of the valuable assistance he gave Upon Close, leader of the tour of the Orient last summer. The trip to South America is the first in a group of organized tours, three having been held in the Orient in the past several years.
Hewitt expects to leave Salem in time to reach Washington before the adjournment of congress, and through W. C. Hawley, congressman from this district, will probably meet several diplomatic representatives of South American countries, getting letters of introduction from them before the beginning of the trip.

GAMES TODAY

9:30 a. m., Redmond vs. Dallas (consolation).
10:30 a. m., Ashland vs. Astoria.
3:30 p. m., Lincoln vs. North Bend (consolation).
4:30 p. m., Salem vs. Baker.
7:30 p. m., Eugene vs. Pendleton.
8:30 p. m., Commerce vs. Tillamook.

Two Portland Teams Stage Terrific Battle

Cheese Makers Beat North Bend Crew by 15 to 11

The versatile attack exhibited by the charging green shirted quintet from Commerce high of Portland, proved too much for the Raisinsplitters of Lincoln in the first evening game of the state tournament Wednesday. Commerce winning 30 to 20.

Close checking featured the game between the two Portland schools for the first few minutes and there was little scoring. Lincoln getting three points before Commerce started.
Commerce Takes Lead
At Close of Period
The Aggie, Reimer and Scroggins began dashing in through the tight Lincoln defense to deposit the ball where it belonged, and at the end of the first period Commerce was ahead 8 to 3. There was more of the same in the second period, Lincoln again getting a single field goal while Commerce was sinking four. The half time score was 17 to 7.

Lincoln's long range attack up to this point had proven futile, but it worked beautifully in the third period and the Raisinsplitters outscored the Portland champions seven points to five, but Commerce kept its safe lead and lengthened it out in the final period. Each team scored 13 points in the second half.
Reimer Shows Much Speed Upon Floor
Reimer, flashy Commerce forward, drew a lot of attention on (Turn to page 2, col. 6)

Deadlock In Parley Is Broken

Hope Again Flares up for Success of Meeting

British Premier and M. Briand Hold Last Minute Talk

LONDON, March 19.—(AP)—Indication that a way has been found to break the Franco-Italian deadlock over naval parity, a deadlock which threatened the very life of the five-power naval conference here, was seen tonight in a surprise meeting between Ramsay MacDonald, prime minister of Great Britain, and Aristide Briand, foreign minister of France.

The two talked at French headquarters in the Hotel Carlton. Their conversation lasted two and a half hours, and after it M. Briand said:
"We have been talking about means to bring the conference to a successful conclusion and we are going to apply those means as quickly as possible."

Interrupted Interview Held Between Two Delegates
This afternoon M. Briand had informed Mr. MacDonald that he was going to Paris tomorrow for a conference with Andre Tardieu and would return with the French premier when the latter came here for the week end. Mr. MacDonald then telephoned M. Briand and requested an interview, hurrying to the hotel, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Ishbel.

That the conference proved unexpectedly important was shown by the fact that Miss MacDonald obviously had been expecting a quick termination of the conversation as she waited for her father in the lobby during the entire two hours and a half.
M. Briand was cornered by a handful of newspapermen after the conference. He was as non-committal as usual about details, but was quite definite in saying the situation had taken a new turn and that optimistic events were in the air.

"Always, when things seem at a deadlock, I find a way out," he said. "That is true now."
He added his remark about applying means to make the conference successful.
Mr. MacDonald came from M. Briand's room with a smiling face and greeted his daughter in an unusually cheerful manner, but he declined to answer any questions.
The French leader, in evading discussion of details, said:
"I am in the habit of chattering too much and then I am reproached for it afterwards. We have been taking our bearings and we have been making the observations precise."
This remark served to bring out the fact that Rene Massigli, French naval technician, and Mr. Cragie of the British delegation, were present during part of the conversation.

Oregon Briefs

SCHEDULE LENGTHENED

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 19.—(AP)—The St. Paul Pioneer Press will say Thursday morning that an official reports in circulation among transportation men here are to the effect that plans to slow down train schedules from St. Paul to the Pacific northwest by one hour have been virtually approved.

This action was said by the Pioneer Press to have been decided on during the past few days at conferences here attended by representatives of the Northern Pacific, Great Northern, Union Pacific and Burlington roads. Officials of the Milwaukee also were said to have been consulted.

WAGE ROW RESUMED

PORTLAND, Ore., March 19.—(AP)—Representatives of the street car men's union will continue wage increase negotiations with Franklin T. Griffith, president of the Pacific Northwest Public Service company, formerly the Portland Electric Power company, tomorrow, having failed to reach an agreement today.

FLOWER GRANGERS MEET

PORTLAND, Ore., March 19.—(AP)—Officials of the Northwest Florists' association here today said reports indicated more than 500 commercial flower growers of British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon would attend the association's annual convention starting here Monday.

OFFICERS MAKE ARREST

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Mar. 19.—(AP)—Arnold T. Crane, said by local authorities to be wanted at Shreveport, La., on bank and highway robbery charges, was arrested as he alighted from a box car here tonight by Chief of Police Keith Ambrose. Crane offered no resistance and was being held for Louisiana officials.

Train Time to Be Slower

Pay Negotiations Continue

Alleged Robber Arrested

New County Job Created

ASHLAND LAD WINS
OAKLAND, March 18.—(AP)—Gene O'Grady, a young light heavyweight from Ashland, Ore., won a ten round decision over Jack Linkhorn of Modesto at the Oakland auditorium here tonight. O'Grady weighed 172½ to 177 pounds for his opponent.

OSCEOLA DANCE ORGANIZER
SAN FRANCISCO, March 19.—(AP)—Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall, president of the University of Oregon is scheduled to arrive here tomorrow, accompanied by a group of Oregon men, to speak at a meeting of the Pacific coast regional committee of the social science research association. One of the purposes of the meeting will be to effect a permanent organization of parents of Oregon university students.

Championship Series in Annual Tournament

ASHLAND Thurs. 10:30 A. M.	ASTORIA		
REDMOND Wed. 5:30 P. M.	EUGENE	EUGENE 51-25	Fri. 4:30 P. M.
PENDLETON Wed. 4:30 P. M.	DALLAS	PENDLETON 30-22	
COMMERCE Wed. 7:30 P. M.	LINCOLN	COMMERCE 30-20	Sat. 8:30 P. M.
NORTH BEND Wed. 8:30 P. M.	TILLAMOOK	TILLAMOOK 15-11	Fri. 8:30 P. M.
SALEM Thurs. 4:30 P. M.	BAKER		