

CIRCULATION
Daily average distribution for the month ending April 30, 1930
6,601
Average daily net paid 6,188
Audit Bureau of Circulations.

WEATHER
Unsettled today and Sunday: Occasional showers. Max. temperature Friday 54; Min. 44; River 2.6; Rain .07; Cloudy.

LAWSON CONFESSES TO MURDER

INSTALLATION OF MAY QUEEN SLATED TODAY

Coronation of Katherine I To Be Held in College Gymnasium

President Doney to Act as Master of Ceremonies at Crowning

Katherine I, the 23rd queen to reign over the May Day festivities at Willamette, will receive her crown in an impressive coronation ceremony presided over by Dr. Carl Gregg Doney in the gymnasium at 11 o'clock this morning. Gay dances after the fashion of Peter Pan and Wendy will form a festive background for the event.

Dr. Doney will act as master of ceremonies and will place the crown. The queen's procession will be led by the heralds, Ronald Craven, Wendell Robinson, Walter Kaufman and John Crakovich, who will sing "The Queen Comes." Following the heralds will be the maids of honor, Lillian Scott and Margaret Bolt, and the flower girls, Sally Ann Barr and Beverly Doydson.

Queen to Be Followed by Crown Bearer

Queen Katherine will then enter, followed by the crown bearer, Jimmy Tryon, and train bearers, Norman Stone and Richard Pace. Senior girls as the queen's court will then take their places and Dr. Doney will give an address of welcome to students and guests. A vocal solo by Lucille Cummings will be followed by the May dances under the direction of Alida Gale Curry, woman's physical education instructor.

The dance program and those taking part are:

1. Peter Pan Solo. Mary Allen, Wendy, Lois Jean Rasch, The Children, Lulu Allen, Virginia Holt, Nanna, the big dog, Joe Silver.
2. Boys' Dance. Alvis Love, leader; Harriet Adams, Elizabeth Clement, Pauline Livesay, Olive and Olivia Jones, Florence Marshall, Mary Riddell, Clair Wells and Edna Vannice.
3. Redskins' Dance. Muriel White, leader; Harriet Arnold, Erma Baker, Doris Clarke, Deena Hart, Florence Decker, Mildred Miller, Ermal Sanders, Gretchen Mohl, and Helen Simon.
4. State's Dance. Nellie Badley, leader; Amy Fox, Dorothy Rose, Brenda Savage, Sarah Dark, Naomi Fleet, Marjorie Moser, Hazel Irons, Marie Leubetter, Marcelle Demytt, Eileen Cochrane, Esther Girod, Rosetta Smith, Lucille Brown, Lucille Fisher, Louise Sibley, Hannah Haselton, Sylvia Du Boise, and Beulah Cramer.
5. Pirate Trio—Nellie Badley, Captain Hood; Lillian Beecher, Edith Morange, Trustles.
6. Wendy Arrives, Lois Jean Rasch.
7. Tinker Bell Rejoices, Mildred Wampler.
8. Scarf Dance, Mildred Pugh Emmons, leader, Dora McClain, Bernice Rickman, Gertrude Oehler.
9. Mermaid Dance: Dorothy Eastridge, leader, Muriel Armatage, Estel Chaney, Viola Crozer.

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Student Killed In Auto Accident On Highway At Eola

Clara Morgan Dies Instantly When Auto Overturns Into Ditch; Three Passengers Not Seriously Injured in Mishap

MISS CLARA MORGAN, 22 year old Oregon Normal school student from Jordan Valley, was killed instantly Friday afternoon about 3:30 o'clock at Eola when the automobile in which she was riding with three other Monmouth students turned over in the ditch.

The driver, Miss Opal Clester of Eagle Creek, was unhurt and her two sisters, twins, Nola and Vola Clester, the other occupants of the car, suffered only minor injuries.

The four girls were on their way to Salem to make some purchases in connection with the May day exercises at the normal school. At the top of the hill just south of Eola a car approached from behind; Miss Clester pulled out to let this machine pass and had difficulty in steering when she attempted to get back onto the pavement. As a result the car swung from side to side, then went into the ditch and turned over.

Just Behind Wrecked Car

Irvin Baun, proprietor of the Independence ambulance, was driving just behind the machine which was wrecked, he being on his way home from Portland with the ambulance after taking a patient there. He stopped the ambulance and rushed to the scene of the wreck.

He found the driven pinned beneath the machine and the three other girls lying in the ditch, Miss Morgan already apparently dead. Although she was not beneath the car it had evidently crushed her.

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REID MURDOCH PLANT STARTS CANNING HERE

Machinery and Equipment at New Concern Revelation in Completeness

Packing of Rhubarb Will Be Followed Soon by Work on Gooseberries

On Thursday, May 1, the great cannery of Reid Murdoch, Inc. started operations, with 40 to 50 women and the regular quota of man power, packing rhubarb.

Their plant is the completely rebuilt institution of the Kings company that was purchased by the Reid Murdoch concern last year, at Front and Market streets. This plant was originally built and operated as a dehydration outfit, but had been idle for two years, excepting as a warehouse for various concerns. It was operated as a cannery for a couple of seasons by the Paulus Bros. concern, before the latter cured its new site and fitted it up as a cannery at High and Trade streets.

Operations Began in West Salem Last Year

The Reid Murdoch concern began operations in Salem with the opening of the 1929 canning season as lessee of the West Salem cannery. The heads of the concern having decided upon Salem as a permanent location for their operations in the Oregon field, the Kings plant was purchased from the original owners, who had been in litigation for several years. That was near the close of the packing season of last year.

Immediately plans were laid for the complete rebuilding and reconditioning of the big plant. Concessions were made by the city (Turn to page 10, col. 1)

Prisoners Again Riot at Ohio Prison



NEGLIGENCE HELD AGAINST OFFICIALS

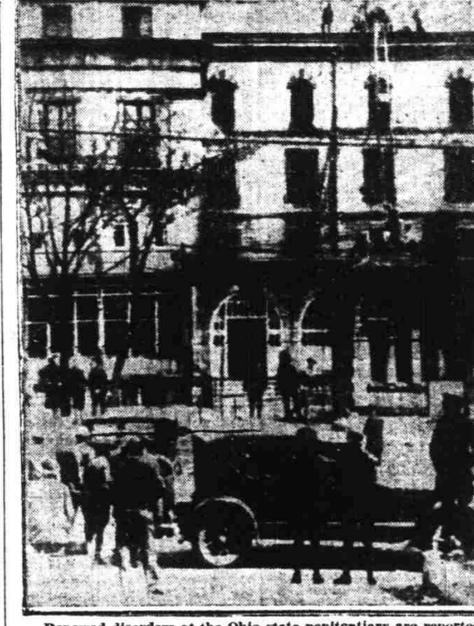
Lack of Organization Laid To Those in Charge of Ohio Prison

COLUMBUS, May 2.—(AP)—Negligence was blamed for the Ohio penitentiary fire which took 320 convicts' lives April 21, in a report which was submitted today to Gov. Cooper by his inquiry board, while at the same time a report submitted by the state fire marshal expressed belief the origin of the fire was incendiary.

Negligence considered in the alleged failure of prison officials to designate some one to take command of the situation arising from the fire inside the prison walls, the inquiry board's report said. Negligence caused the delay in opening cell doors behind which the doomed convicts were locked while there was also serious delay in sending in the fire alarm, the report said, despite the prison had no fire apparatus.

Giving three possible causes for the fire as defective wiring, incendiaries and spontaneous combustion, the report said strong circumstantial evidence indicated the fire was started by the temporary wiring in the I and K cell blocks.

The temporary wiring, while dangerous, was found to be in working order, the marshal's report said. Stressing the incendiary idea, he pointed out that oil and gasoline were available to convicts within the prison walls. The marshal withheld other evidence which he said was important as to the cause of the blaze. He could not make it public until after further investigation.



Renewed disorders at the Ohio state penitentiary are reported in the latest press reports despite the most drastic efforts to stamp out the prison insurrection. In the telephoto picture above, national guardsmen are shown with guns trained on the prison walls as the convicts attempted a break. Shots from machine guns were fired over the prisoner's heads and only two were wounded. Below, telephoto shows national guardsmen attempting to put emergency fire hose lines into White City cell block. Convicts showered firemen with glass in attempting a break.

Lad Says He Killed Purposely

Full Details of Cold Blooded Crime Are Told Sheriff

Youth Signs Name to Statement Describing Slaying

Dale Lawson, just past his 15th birthday, at 6 o'clock Friday night confessed to Inspector R. H. Craddock and Sheriff J. L. Hooker in the Dallas county jail that he shot and killed Mrs. George A. Dickinson at her farm home five miles from Independence Wednesday morning.

It was just 24 hours after a coroner's jury in Independence had refused to place any blame on Lawson and the lad had returned to his father's home in Portland.

But fate moved rapidly. The Dickinson family, returning from the inquest, discovered telltale powder marks on the door leading from the living room of the house into the front hall. Authorities were called. The result was a warrant charging Lawson with first degree murder and his arrest, early Friday morning at his father's home in Portland.

Lawson Friday was hurried back to the scene of the crime. Every detail of his story was re-enacted.

It was only then, when facts failed to tally that Lawson saw he was cornered, turned an about face and told Inspector Craddock and Sheriff Hooker his story. Lawson's signed confession followed.

"I was working in the garden. While I was working my mind got to wandering. I thought I would like to go some place in a car. I kept thinking about it and finally I thought I would go. I (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

MRS. SMALL AGAIN HEADS HEALTH BODY

Mrs. Brazier Small was reelected president of the Marion county Public Health association at the annual meeting of that body held last night at the Gray Belle. Other officers are Mrs. John H. Ballantyne of Silverton, vice-president; and George H. Bell of Stayton, treasurer. Selection of a secretary was left in the hands of the president, who has named Mrs. Hazel Elliott of Salem.

Reports from all standing and clinic committees were given, particularly outstanding of these being Mrs. Ballantyne's report on the May Day link up with health work in Silverton. Dr. Estella Ford Warner spoke on "What the Demonstration Proved." and Dr. Vernon A. Douglas, county health officer, talked on "Future Program," asserting that three things must and will be stressed this year; control of venereal diseases, sanitation and tuberculosis.

Mrs. Glendora Blakely of the nursing division of the state board of health and Mrs. Grace Holmes of the tuberculosis division of the board, both of Portland, were present at the meeting.

ALLEGED SOVIETS' DOCUMENTS FOUND

NEW YORK, May 2.—(AP)—Police Commissioner Grover Whelan today made public documents, variously described as authentic and as forgeries, purporting to give evidence that the communist international of Moscow was financing riots and strikes in the United States, fomented by emissaries sent here for the purpose of soviet officials.

Photostatic copies of the documents, which were seized by New York police, were furnished to the commissioner with a statement in which he evidently accepted them as authentic. Even when shown statements by two prominent Russians in this country who were mentioned in the papers he replied only that the documents were very definite and complete and he was "afraid they must speak for themselves."

One of the documents was a letter on the stationery of Amtorg Trading corporation, official purchasing agent for the soviet which has done millions of dollars worth of business in this country and was signed with the name of G. Grafpen, an Amtorg official.

Consolidation of Districts Vetoed

The Oregon conference of the First Evangelical church, in yearly session at Vernonia this week end, voted heavily against consolidating the eastern Washington and Oregon Evangelical conferences, according to word phoned here yesterday morning by J. F. Ulrich, local man and member of the state board who is in attendance at the conference. The vote was 49 against and 15 for merging.

Ulrich also reported that the conference will meet in Salem next year. Rev. and Mrs. A. P. Layton of Salem are also attending the meeting.

MARRIAGE FAILURE

SAN FRANCISCO, May 2.—(AP)—The two months marriage of Dr. Myron B. Fractman of San Francisco, and Helen Dean, screen actress, came to an end today when Superior Judge John J. Van Nostrand granted Dr. Fractman an annulment.

Stock Prices See Headlong Decline

Hoover's Speech and Cut in Rediscount Rate Have no Favorable Effect

By CLAUDE A. JAGGER
Associated Press Financial Editor
NEW YORK, May 2.—(AP)—Stock prices went into a headlong decline today, the most precipitous since early December, as it became apparent that such favorable developments as the reduction from 3 1/2 to 3 per cent in the federal reserve rediscount rate and President Hoover's statement that the worst of the business depression is over, had failed to bolster the market.

Selling was in enormous volume in the last hour, boosting total sales on the New York stock exchange to approximately 6,000,000 shares, the largest day's turnover since Nov. 13 when the autumn crash touched bottom with 761,450 shares in a three hour trading period. More than 2,000,000 shares were dumped in the last hour today.

More than two-score issues, including most of the recent popular trading favorites, closed 1/4 to 1/8 a share lower. A few leading industrials were touched, but none fell more than 1/4 at the opening, but a heavy selling movement soon developed. Powerful supporting orders appeared to have checked the decline by early afternoon, and many shares rebounded moderately, but the market turned dull on the rise, and several leading professional traders, finding themselves unable to bid stocks up, launched a powerful attack on short selling.

Pheasants Get Habit of Real Curiosity Here

Chinese pheasants' curiosity about scientific and general knowledge is threatening to become a serious problem in Salem. Several weeks ago a pheasant intent on experimenting with electricity, flew into a high tension wire and plunged the entire north-end of the city into darkness.

Friday night another pheasant committed suicide in a quest for legal knowledge. The bird flew through a plate glass window into the study of William P. Ellis, local attorney, at his home at 875 Cross street. It dropped dead, but Mr. Ellis was in doubt, despite his comprehensive legal training, as to whether he might safely make a meal of the pheasant.

NIGHT GAME PLAYED DES MOINES

DES MOINES, Mo., 2.—(AP)—Des Moines tonight won the first regularly scheduled night baseball game in a class A league defeating Wichita in the inaugural contest of the Western league season here 13 to 6.

MAN LEAPS TO DEATH

SAN FRANCISCO, May 2.—(AP)—John Vucosovich, 38, Sonoma, Tuolumne county merchant, leaped 400 feet to his death near the municipal airport at Mills today in a plane he had hired for a "joy ride."

FLYERS MAKE LANDING ROSEBURG, Ore., May 2

(AP)—An airplane carrying Lieutenant Earl Wilkins and three passengers from Oakland, Cal., to Portland, when the Wilkins' mother is ill, was forced down on the emergency landing field at Myrtle Creek, Ore., near here today.

Because of unusually adverse flying conditions throughout southern Oregon, a West Coast Air transport plane from San Francisco to Portland landed here late today.

Fog failed to rise and it was believed both planes would be forced to remain here overnight.

WAR WAGED ON RATS

BEND, Ore., May 2.—(AP)—The United States biological survey today completed scattering poison grain over 8,000 acres of sage rat infested grazing land in the upper Deschutes country. More than 1,000 pounds of poisoned wheat was used in controlling the infestation of rodents on the Lapine and Davis meadows. Unnumbered thousands of rats were killed last year but this year's poisoning eclipsed any other undertaking in the state.

FIRE'S ORIGIN MYSTERY PRINEVILLE, Ore., May 2

(AP)—Central Oregon authorities today investigated the origin of a fire which last night destroyed the Ed Parker residence on Bear Creek, near here, and caused the death of Ralph Dunn, 50, Mill-Hear, Ore.

Investigator H. L. Ayers, who went to investigate the fire, said he had been told Dunn stopped at the

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Oregon Briefs

PLANE IS FORCED DOWN
Poisoned Grain Scattered
Fire Origin Investigated
Bread, Water Given Wife

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Observance for Memorial Day in City Mapped Out

Mrs. Robert F. Budrow of the American Legion Auxiliary cemetery committee is issuing a call to relatives of deceased World War veterans to cooperate in carrying out the usual Memorial Day veterans' observances 100 feet east of the cemetery. The committee of all new veterans' graves in the local cemeteries this year or of graves that have been overlooked in past years.

It is the desire of the patriotic organizations to decorate the grave of every veteran only only through cooperation of relatives and those in charge be sure of reaching all graves.

The committee reports further that government headstones ordered some time ago will be here probably before July 1, and that any relatives of any war veterans wishing to apply for one of these should get in touch with the committee.