THE WEATHER

EIGHTIETH YEAR

Lingers 13 Hours Following Shot Fired in Local Hotel Room

Financial Worries Thought Cause: man Made Calls Earlier in day

Theodore E. Byrd, who shot himself in the right temple in his room at the New Salem hotel about 10 o'clock Friday morning, passed away at the Willamette Sanitarium at 10:45 o'clock last

Byrd, who had been working in this territory since early De-cember as district manager in selling a vacuum sweeper, is thought to have been impelled to end his life because of financial difficulties coupled with despondency over personal affairs. He and G. H. Downing of Corvallis, another salesman for the same concern, registered at the hotel Thursday night. Friday morning they met N. Schneider, company representative, here to check up his men, and called at the local dealers, the Brownell Electric company. Byrd excused himself and returned to his hotel room where he shot himself. Neighbor in Hotel

Hears the Shot A. L. Wishard of Portland, who happened to be in his room adjoining the one occupied by Byrd and Downing, heard him enter his room, lock the door, and then heard a shot. Listening he heard man gasp, so he rushed downstairs and got Chas. V. Cooley, manager, and then entered the room where they found Byrd ly- atively unimportant. Remember ing across the bed with blood streaming from a wound in his must determine the object of head and his right hand still your effort, second, you must degripping the automatic he had termine and master all resistance He was still conscious and and third, you must follow this was removed as quickly as possible to the Willamette sanitar-

While Byrd was said to be-behind in his accounts with the company, there was nothing in that situation so far as the company was concerned which would have impelled him to commit

Byrd was 32 years of age and was said to be a native of Texas. He is believed to have been divored, and a picture of a young girl, thought to be a daughter, was found in his effects. He was a member of the Eagles lodge at Great Falls, Montana.

While Byrd is thought to have relatives in Texas, no contact with them had been established up to late last night, The remains are at the Clough-

Barrick mortuary.

## MELLON OPPOSES AID TO VETERANS that he was present when the fire was started accidentally by a man named "Jim". He said

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 .-(AP)-Secretary Mellon in a letter to Chairman Hawley of the house ways and means committee tonight opposed the proposed compromise on the soldiers adjusted compensation certificates which would give them loan values up to 50 percent of their face

Estimating the cost of the com promise measure at from \$500, 600,000 to \$1,000,000,000, Mr. Mellon said that the money could not be raised without seriously interfering with the govern-ment's financial program. He said that at present there were outstanding short time securities of approximately \$2,800,-000,000 and that on March 15. city court judge, George W. Woltz \$1,109,000,000 of old obligations on a charge of public intoxication. mature, while in June, 1932, \$1,-\$33,000,000 of First Liberty Loan bonds become callable and in October, 1933, \$6,268,000,000 of fourth Liberty Loan bonds be-

He said it was evident important refunding operations must be undertaken both in the immediate and in the near future.

#### Void Currency Taken by Thugs Found in Alley

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13-(AP) — A strelling patrolman today picked up more than \$805,000 worth of mutilated currency in an uptown alley, presumably dump-ed there by the thugs who staged vesterday's robbery of a mail

Treasury officials immediately egan a careful recount of the bills. Late today they announced the recovered loot contained all but a few worthless dollars of the \$807,000 stolen from the truck in union station after the armed mail clerk accompanying it had been beaten unconscious with lead

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 —
(AP)—A congressional investigation of the oil industry was proposed today before the house ways and means committee.

# Panama Stirred by Counter Revolt in Chiriqui Province

National Police Force, Only Defensive arm of Government, Mobilized: Details of Revolution not Reported

PANAMA CITY, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Panama's national police force which is equivalent to her army was ordered mobilized tonight following reports of counter-revolutionary movement in Chiriqui Province.

Chiriqui Province is the former home of Rodolfo Chiari, who was connected with the overthrow of the Arosem-Oena regime recently. This province is on the border of Costa

Debunk Your Mind of Ar-

rogance," is Among

Speaker's Epigrams

The largest number of Ad club

meeting of that organization,

or of personnel of the Pennzoil

company, for an inspiration ad-

dress delivered Friday noon at

Skipper, highly successful him-

self as a salesman, has been act-

ive for the last six months doing

nothing but address sales work-

"Forget about the appearance

of your prospect's chin, how he

wears his clothes or how many

lunches you should treat him to'

declared the speaker, "All prob-

lems are fundamentally the same.

The materials you handle are rel-

that in making a sale you first,

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OF FIRE WAS HOAX

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 13 .-

AP)-Fred I. Peacock, Jr., 15-

ear-old Berkeley, Calif., boy

who admitted to Portland police

detectives his story of the Oak-

land horse show fire was a hoar

and that he had stolen an auto-

Oakland police, when notified

Portland, who lost nine horses

a man named "Jim". He said the man disappeared during the

fire and the f ct an unidentified

body was found in the ruins of

the building gave credence to Peacock's story. Questioned by detectives today he admitted he

stold the story "to get my name

Is Reality For

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 13-(AP)—There may be nothing to

At 13 minutes before 11 a.m.

today, Friday, the 13th, John

Gilliniak, the 13th prisoner faced

his pocket-\$1.13. The proba-tion officer reported this made

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.

John's 13th offense.

Capper is Sure

John counted the money in

13th Prisoner

Thirteenth Jinx

in the papers".

for Oakland authorities.

his return to that city.

Peacock told Aaron

ers on the forces underlying suc-

the Gray Belle.

cessful selling.

Rica and Nicaragua and many growing there, The only information immediately available from national police headquarters indicated a

tails were not available. The Republic of Panama has ne army or navy. The national police force numbers 60 officers and 630 men under normal con-

counter-revolution was actually under way in Chiriqui, but de-

# nembers yet to attend a regular greeting Frank H. Skipper, direct-

Salem High Graduate Wins Extempore Speaking Contest

John Rudin, freshman at Willamette, last night did what many Willamette upperclassmen before him have failed to do. He carried off first honors, and \$25 cash, in the state extempore speaking contest, held at Monmouth. Rudin was graduated from Saler. high school. Walter Pickthal of Oregon State college took second place and honorable mention.

Rudin, who had done no debate or public speaking work in Salem high school, showed considerable knowledge of the general ques tion, unemployment, his coach, Prof. Herbert E. Rahe, said. Rudin in turn insisted after the vic-tory that it was the careful at-tention and interest given by Rahe that helped make the vic-

In the contest Rudin drew the topic, "The 'American Plan' of Unemployment Relief." All speakers drew specific topics an hour before they appeared on the platform. Other entrants were from the Normal school, Pacific university, Pacific college, Albany col-lege, Linfield college and the Uni-

mebile to drive to Portland, was held in the county jail tonight versity of Oregon. Interest in the state contest was especially keen among Willamette students this year, with eight local tryouts being held before Rudin was finally chosen as the of the auto theft admission, said they would issue a warrant for Peacock's arrest and arrange for school's representative.

### in the fire which last Monday killed 48 horses and four men, TO SPEAK MONDAY

James G. Hammond of Eugene, representative of the Izaak Walton League of America, will be the speaker at the chamber of commerce luncheon on Mon-

A native Oregonian, Mr. Ham mond acquired a love for the out-of-doors in his early life. He toured extensively through Eu-rope and gathered valuable data on conservation methods abroad. For several years he served as assistant secretary of Rotary International on the Chicago headquarters staff, in charge of community service. Mr. Hammond is said to be an

eloquent speaker and understands the meaning of conservation and its importance to the welfare of the public. Members of the Izaak Walton League of Salem have been invited as special guests for the luncheon on Monday.

#### John was sentenced to six months in the county penitentiary. Eugene Pioneer Dies, New York Bread Too High

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 .- (AP)widow of the late Judge John (AP)-Testimony in the senate's Meredith Thompson, of Oregon,

(AP)—Testimony in the senate's investigation of food prices has convinced Chairman Capper of the investigating committee that the price of bread in many cities is "too high" and is "dictated" per, settled at Eugene, Ore., after the price of them by a feet him to be a feet and the price of them by a feet him to be a feet and the per settled at Eugene, Ore., after the in some of them by a few big crossing the plains from Chilli-companies. cothe, Mo., in 1861.

## The Legislative Calendar

SENATE YESTERDAY Passed bill cutting expense allowance for officials using cars to six cents a mile

Senator Bennett's bill to change election dates de-SENATE TODAY

Third reading senate bills 57, 82, 92, 97, 156, 166, 173, 214, 216. Third reading house bills 72, 118, 147. House adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE YESTERDAY Meier one-man utility commissioner bill reported out of committee with recommendation measure pass. Senate Upton bill on length of train regulation back to senate for reconsid-

Passed bill providing that wards of state who can, contribute to their upkeep. Pension fund for Portland policemen and firemen approved, revenue coming from Multnomah county insurance tax receipts.

Senate Agrees to Vote on Moot Measure Today At 2 o'clock

Fears of Attempt to Force Session Beyond March 4 are now Allayed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18-(AP) -An eight hour filibuster ended in the senate tonight with an agreement to vote tomorrow at drought loan compromise.

A substantial majority was predicted for the compromise in the relief dispute as the fifth day of debate concluded.

The hour for a vote was fixed at 7 p. m. tonight, after a filibuster by Senator Thomas, democrat, Oklahoma, against the interior department appropriation bill carrying the relief compromise had collapsed from exhaustion of the

The unanimous consent given by the senate then for fixing an hour to vote dispelled fears of the leaders that a movement was in full swing to force an extra session of the new congress after March 4.

Thomas, while speaking at length against the interior bill, said later he was not filibustering to force an extra session of congress. He and Senator Frazier, republican, North Dakota, waged an all-day attack against failure of the supply bill to retain some provisions relating to India funds which the senate had previously

With one stroke of its trusty ax the joint ways and means committee last night lopped the appropriation for the bureau of nursing and child hygiene in half, reducing the appropriation sought from \$22,701 to \$11,350. The vote for the cut was 15 to 5. The bureau is conducted under the supervision of the state board of

The committee also reduced the appropriation of the state child welfare commission from \$35,545 to \$26,983, which was the same amount appropriated for the past biennium. At the request of the state board of horticulture an additional appropriation of \$10,000 was authorized with which to combat the alfalfa weevil. An appropriation of \$1,-000 requested by the state horticultural society was disallowed. Acting upon the report of investigators the committee voted to discontinue farming operations at the state tuberculosis hospital here and transfer the livestock on hand to some other state institution. The report showed that

000 during the blennium. The appropriation of this institution was reduced from \$376,707 to \$361,701. Pair Who Admit Faked Robbery

in adopting the report the state

would save approximately \$15,-

Given 5 Years KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Feb. 13 .- (AP) -J. G. Nichols, former cashier of the Chiloquin, Ore., bank, and D. B. Stout, former manager of a woolen mills store in that city, were sentenced today to not more than five years in the state penitentiary for looting the bank of \$3500 January 30.

The two men confessed they carried out plans to loot the

bank when no one else ras in the building. To make it appear an unknown bandit had robbed the bank, Stout locked Nichols in the vault. When Nichols was released he gave authorities an imaginary descrip-tion of the "robber" and a three-day investigation followed before Nichols and Stout were arrested

#### Rain Falls Here After Dry Weeks

downpour was steady for some ti ie there was little wind and people about town at the late hour, seemed to enjoy it. The first two weeks of February this year have been marked by the most sunshine and least precipi-

### Cherry Tariff Memorial Gets Favorable Vote

The senate yesterday adopted a memorial introduced by Senator Spaulding and others urging congress to levy an adequate tariff on cherries imported into the United States from foreign countries for maraschino pur-

Approval also was given a memorial introduced by Representative McCourt asking congress to provide funds with which to further improve the channel of the Columbia river and its main tributaries.

p. m., on the \$20,000,000 Governor Gives 21 Minutes To Greet 21 Leaders. 21 Boy Scouts

> Recognizing the "coming age" of the Boy Scout movement the United States, Governor Julius L. Meier yesterday after-noon laid aside the duties of state for 21 minutes, while he greeted 21 Boy Scouts and 21 men active in the movement, at the executive chambers. The occasion was observance of the 21st anniversary of Scouting in this country. After A. C. Haag, president of the Cascade area council, had introduced all the boys, coming from towns in Marion and Polk counties where troops are active, and the 21 men, Scout Cleave Bartlett, a tenderfoot Scout of troop 11, Salem Heights, invested the governor with the Scout tenderfoot pin. Governor's Sons

> In Movement W. L. Hayward, regional executive, was introduced by Mr. Haag, and outlined to the governor the progress made in Scouting in the past 21 years.

Governor Meier made an inspiring reply to the boys, stating that his own boys had been Scouts, and had received a great amount of REQUESTED FUNDS vise all boys in our great states and nation to get into Scouting at once. He pointed out that good training, and he would ad-Scouting stood for the highest standards of living and patriot-

The group left the governor's office to assemble on the west steps of the state building, where a picture was taken of the entire group, and where Eagle Scout Maxie Langford presented the governer with the Boy Scout

# **BOWLES EXPECTED**

HILLSBORO, Ore., Feb. 13. -(AP)-Active preparations were under way here today for the trial of Nelson C. Bowles, Portland millionaire, and Irma G. Loucks, his former secretary, indicted jointly for the murder of

Bowles' wife. The two defendants were transferred here today from Multnomah county where a defense motion for a change of venue was granted. All motions, orders and affidavits also were transferred and the case now is officially before Circuit Judge Bagley.

Special arrangements were b ing made to increase the seating capacity of the circuit courtroom and the Hillsboro chamber of commerce, expecting that hotel facilities will be overtaxed, began gathering names of persons who were willing to rent rooms during

Judge Bagley announced his calendar was clear and he was ready to take the case as soon as the state and defense attorneys were ready. George Mowry, chief deputy district attorney, assigned to the case, intimated he did not expect to be ready to go to trial until the first of next month.

### Red Cross Aid In South Said Nearing Close

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13—(AP)
The beginning of the end of the Red Cross general feeding program is set for March 1 in southern plantation states. National headquarters made

known today that the present ration system will be abandoned as fast as farmers establish credit. In Louisiana and adjacent plantstion states March 1 has been set to stop general feeding because the first two weeks of that month Rain, gentle and warm, the first in weeks to touch Salem, began falling shortly after midnight this morning. While the downwarm was start who weeks of that month are the "furnishing" period for cotton farmers, when credit arrangements for the next crop are made.

## Solons Sidestep Friday the 13th

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 13— (AP)—Friday, the 13th, may or may not be a jinx date. most sunshine and least precipitation of any winters for years in Oregon.

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BASE BILL SIGNED

Washington's legislators, however, apparently do not wish to controversy over a west coast direction accontroversy over a west coast direction. Furthermore, the measion will close on March 12 (by the legislative clocks), the day before another Friday, the 13th may or thus linked the February festival with Christianity.

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Complete Withdrawal in Year Contemplated in **New Agreement** 

Southern Republic Plans to **Build up own National** Guard, Announced

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.— (AP)-Rapid withdrawal of marines from Nicaragua to parallel the upbuilding of the national guard of the republic has been agreed upon by the American and Nicaraguan governments.
Under the plan, as disclosed to-

day by Secretary Stimson, comremoval of the marines from the republic will be accomplished by next year. Along with the upbuilding of the national guard, the agree-

ment calls for a vigorous drive by it against the insurgents who have in the past stirred the republic to turbulent uprisings. Stimson announced that the plan had been accepted by the Nicaraguan president and as the first step toward its fulfillment all combat marines now stationed

there would be removed imme-

diately. By June, the plan contemplates, only about 500 marines will remain there. These would be of a non-combat class principally engaged in training the national guard and air unit activities necessary to transmit supplies to parts of the country inaccessible because of lack of roads and railways.

# BILL REPORTED OUT also president of the loan company. Glesy, president of the bank,

one-man commissioner utilities bill was reported out on the floor of the house late yesterday with the committee favor-ing its passage. The bill is the first of the administration's major power bills to come out of committee. The house adjourned. at 6:30 p. m. Friday until Monday morning, but the senate convenes again today with a heavy schedule facing it.

house, Representative Gill chairman, also reported out favorably ing interest of the loan company the measures already passed by in the mortgages; determining the senate which have to do with power and utility regulation. One mortgages and who is holder of these permits utilities to file thereof; ordering a full accounton waters for a period of ten years without filing at the same time with the federal power commission

The utilities measures was not placed on the calendar for Monday but it is expected to be made a special order of business some day early next week. It provides for abolishing the public service commission, creation of a one man commissioner rule, establishment of the home-rule provision for cities and repeal of the certificate of necessity and public convenience act.

#### Lease Charges Branded False

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (AP) -The intimation by Senator Blaine that postoffice lessors had contributed \$1,250,000 to the Coolidge and Hoover campaigns was described today by Joseph R. Nutt, treasurer of the republican national committee as "utterly false and entirely inexcusable."

# Arbitration is Best Way Out of Water Muddle Says Mayor

#### House Approves Name Change to 'Coast Highway

Changing the name of the Roosevelt highway to the Oregon Coast highway was approved by a large majority in the house yesterday. Conflict of the former name with other "Roosevelt highways" and a desire to designate the highway in a manner to attach it to Oregon, were reasons advanced by the bill's propon-

The highway, which is nearing completion, extends along the entire coastline of Oregon and is rated as one of the most beautiful in the nation.

Giesy as Banker Asks Order Restraining Loan Firm He Also Headed

Another step in the lawsuit which is credited with closing doors of the Aurora State bank last week was seen yesterday, when B. F. Glesy instituted suit in circuit court here against the Willamette Valley Mortgage Loan company and a long list of persons holding notes. Glesy was

Giesy, president of the bank, seeks through the complaint to temporary injunction restraining the Willamette Valley Mortgage Loan company from disposing, except at order of court, of some 51 mortgages of the loan company which were executed to Glesy as trustess. The complaint says that plaintiff held as trustee 51 of the 96 mortgages outstanding of the loan company.

In the complaint, Glesy also seeks decree: "entitling him, as trustee. The complaint says that The utilities committee of the gages for purpose of administering his trust duties"; determining of each party; directing Giesy in his trust duties; and defining and construing true relationship between plaintiff and defendant.

## Salem Youth is Alternate For

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 13 .-(AP)—Word was received here today Senator Stelwer had named John H. Besson, Jr., student at the University of Oregon and son of Dr. John H. Besson, Portland, as a candidate for the naval academy at Annapolis.

Mahlon M. Day, Portland, also was named as a principal for Annapolis. Alternates named were Richard C. Merrick, Portland; George Morris Winne, Medford; and Douglas J. Woodward, Sa-

Senator Steiwer named William L. K. Armstrong, Portland, as a candidate for West Point.

## Custom Decrees Today As Time to Send Tokens

Today will be a busy day for Pepys, and much time-honored the florists and the sweet shops, just as it has been a busy day for the novelty and book stores for the past week, and all because about 1500 years ago a custom was started, the echo of which is called St. Valentine's day.

Mythology has it that the ancient Romans observed in the month of February a feast called "Lupercalia," part of the observation of which was the placing of the names of maids in an urn and from the urn each youth, blindfolded, drew forth a name, the owner of which would be his

With the advent of Christianity agan customs were forbidden as much as possible, but this one clung; so finally to make it in keeping with Christianity the church linked the "love festival" with St. Valentine, a famous martyr of the Christian calendar, and thus linked the February festival with Christianity.

English verse tell the tale of the observation of St. Valentine's day during the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries.

All manner of Valentines have developed. First they were handwritten, and then about 1800 they became commercialized in Eng-land and about 1850 the commercial Valentine appeared in the

on a piece of paper and tossed control crusader. into a huge urn to be drawn by chance by some blushing Roman swain—we imagine that perhaps Friday 13th is Roman swains blushed, even 1500 years ago — to the present day, has marked a long line of development in "Valentines". From hand-made and hand-en-

graved hearts with lace frills, Valentines have grown to be anything that is dainty and individual and especially suited to the recipient. Valentines are still for Is Willing to Accept Valuation Found By Appraisal

Depreciation Must be Included, However, He Points out

By SHELDON F. SACKETT The way for arbitration and eaceful settlement of the apparent deadlock between the city of Salem and the Oregon-Washing ton Water Co. in the matter of purchasing the latter's plant open, according to Mayor P. M. Gregory who yesterday outlined the basis on which he would be willing to have negotiations con-

The mayor made it plain that the ideas he voiced were his personal ones and would need, of course, to have the sanction of the council and the water commi

"We want the water company fairly reimbursed for its actual investment," said the mayor, "and yet we want Salem not to pay an exorbitant and unreas able sum for the system. I realize the need of some immediate action and for that reason I do not lean, now, toward carrying the decision on the May 16, 1936, election to the supreme court. would favor instead working out a plan of purchase acceptable to both sides and submitting that to the people." Would Accept

Audited Valuation The mayor's proposal is this: The city of Salem accept, first, the validated and audited purchase price paid the Wallace and Park interests July, 1927, for their water company, less depre-

ciation since that date. The city of Salem, second, to submit to arbitration the determination of the actual net investment of the Oregon-Washington Water company in Salem since that date, this amount to be less

depreciation and retirements. The mayor made it perfectly plain yesterday that he would be unwilling to accept any "loading" or "inter-company costs" in the determination of this last named figure. His plan would be to have the additions of the water company since the purchase in 1927, thoroughly checked and ap-praised on invested cost. Extra fees for engineering, charge for attorneys, loading for New York overhead and similar costs would be excluded inthis figure, according to the mayor.

Depreciation Cost To be Figured The result of the depreciated purchase price added to the de-preciated and net capital outlay Annapolis Post since the water company was acquired, would constitute the basis for the city's offer, according to the mayor.

"Thus far I have understood from Mr. Elliott, president of the Oregon-Washington Water company, that the only basis that firm would accept was net investment on the basis of its own books," said Mr. Gregory. "This basts would not be acceptable to the city. We would want to make our own appraisal on a mutually (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

# CUNTROL FAVORED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.-(AP)—Doctors, clergymen, pro-fessors and social workers packed a senate committee room to the doors today to urge passage of the Gillett bill to authorize dis-semination of both control information by physicians, hospit-als, clinics and medical schools. Opponents of the measure will

be heard tomorrow. The present law, passed in 1873, prohibiting circulation of contraceptive information was variously termed "unfair," "se-scientific" and "unobsolescent" cial Valentine appeared in the United States.

From a maiden's name written group which include Mrs. Margaret Sanger, celebrated birth control crusader.

# Real Jinx Day For Taxi Man

NEW YORK, Feb. 13—(AP)
—Today, Friday 13th, Leon Silverman, taxi driver, was arraigned in homicide court by Patrelman Wykoff of the 13th precinct,