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**THE WEATHER**  
Rain today and Thursday, normal temperature; Max. temperature Tuesday 60, Min. 48, rain .08 inch, river 1.6 feet, south wind.

## BOWLES' STORY OF HIS WIFE'S DEATH IS READ

Discrepancies Between it and That of Loucks Woman Noted

Details of Death Related in Explanation Read into Trial Record

HILLSBORO, Ore., March 10. (AP)—Intimate relations between Nelson C. Bowles and Irma G. Loucks were responsible for the death of Bowles' wife, said a statement made to police which was read into the record of the Bowles-Loucks first degree murder trial here today.

The statement, read by Ray D. Shoemaker, court reporter who was on the witness stand nearly all day, quoted Bowles as saying:

"I shouldn't have permitted my relations with Miss Loucks to exist. It was my fault."

Bowles and Miss Loucks are under joint indictment for the knife murder of Mrs. Leone C. Bowles in Miss Loucks apartment last November 12.

Business Associate Or Bowles Called

W. H. Cullers, Bowles' business associate, was another witness called today. He told the jury Bowles had called him at his office and asked him to come to a Portland mortuary. Then, he said, Dr. Paul B. Cooper, took the phone and asked him to come to the mortuary. Neither Bowles nor Dr. Cooper answered his question of "What is the matter?" he said.

Cullers said he went to the mortuary where he learned of Mrs. Bowles' death. He did not see Bowles, he testified.

Aside from identifying the bread knife, with which the state alleges Bowles and Miss Loucks killed Mrs. Bowles, as the one which was shown the defendants when they made their statements, Shoemaker spent all his time on the stand reading their statements.

Miss Loucks' statement quoted her as saying after the stabbing, "Mrs. Bowles was choking a little but I don't remember her saying anything." In a second statement however, she said Mrs. Bowles was "dead."

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## DAIRY DRIVERS TO FORM UNION, PLAN

Discussion of the Capital Dairies situation, in which the union is trying to get the dairy drivers organized into a truck drivers' local, occupied most of the meeting time of the Salem Trades and Labor council, in session at Labor temple last night.

This matter has been hanging fire for some time, during part of which it has been in the hands of a board of arbitration. It will be finally settled at the meeting March 23, it was agreed last night.

Plans for the state federation of labor convention to be held for three or four days, beginning September 14, were also discussed.

Announcement was made that the typographical union members here will hold a dinner at the Argos Saturday evening. J. E. Heenan is secretary of the group.

## Oregon Briefs

**GETS TECHNICAL K. O.**  
PORTLAND, March 10. (AP)—George Manley, 176, Denver, won a technical knockout victory over Big Boy Peterson, 196, Minneapolis, in the eighth of a 10-round fight here tonight.

Manley had punished Peterson cruelly all the way. He floored him with two left hooks to the chin in the eighth round and Referee Tom Loustiz decided he was unable to go on and awarded the bout to Manley.

**FOR FARM BOARD**  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 10. (AP)—W. L. Thompson, Astoria salmon packer, has been proposed as a candidate for appointment to the federal farm board.

Thompson's name was proposed by Frank Curll, Pendleton, and E. F. Marshall, Umatilla county vice-chairman of the republican national committee, also has endorsed Thompson.

**DRAG FOR BODY**  
ASTORIA, March 10. (AP)—Coast guard patrol and river boats were dragging the Columbia river off Tongue point here today in an effort to recover the body of a man said to have been lost overboard from the steamer San Pedro, on route

## Where Bits of Soot no Longer Fly To Roost in Each Bystander's Eye



Picture shows the smokestacks of the Oregon Pulp and Paper company plant here, giving an idea of the diminished quantity of smoke sent forth, a smoke entirely devoid of the cinders which formerly constituted a nuisance to the public.

## 'Cinder Nuisance' is Finally at End Here

New 'Washer' Removes all Soot From Smoke At Paper Mill; Company Continuing on Full Time Production Program

SALEM'S long decried "cinder nuisance" is apparently at an end. After nearly a month's operation of the Sturdevant cinder washer at the plant of the Oregon Pulp and Paper company here, a man with a grey hat can stand under the very shadow of the mill for an hour and never need to visit a cleaner.

"We are finding that the new equipment, installed at a cost of \$15,000, is doing the removal work in excellent shape," said Carl Heinelein, manager of the plant, yesterday. "All the smoke which formerly went up the four large stacks, is now drawn by a fan into the cinder washer, where the cinders are removed through the use of water and the

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## Bandits Seeking Ransom Torture 2 Missionaries

WASHINGTON, March 10. (AP)—The torture of Rev. Berth N. Nelson of Minneapolis, Minn., and Rev. Ewald, a Norwegian, by bandits in China to force payment of ransom was reported to the state department today by the American Legation at Peking.

The report was based on letters received by a Dr. Skinsnes at Sinyangchow from the missionaries who have been held by Chinese brigands since last October.

"We have just been bound and whipped and told to make haste with the ransom money or there would be worse things to follow," Nelson's letter said in part.

## George Manley Winner Oregon man Mentioned Liquor war is Halted Lost Forest Impierled

**FOUR ARE ARRESTED**  
KLAMATH FALLS, March 10. (AP)—Charging an alleged liquor war in Klamath county, complaints charging three brothers, Marion, Louey and Fred Shaddock, and George Sumas with assault while armed with dangerous weapons were filed in circuit court here today. A man who gave only the name "Louis" was the complainant.

Louis alleged he was a partner of Sumas in operation of a liquor plant near here. Early last week, he charged, his partner and the Shaddock brothers swooped down on the still and seized all available moonshine and 1150 gallons of mash. Officers arrived at the scene shortly afterward but found only part of the mash and traces of the still.

Sumas was arrested and today pleaded guilty to possession of mash. He was fined \$500.

**DUNES ENCROACHING**  
BEND, March 10. (AP)—The restless sand dunes of the Lake county plateau threaten destruction of Oregon's "lost forest," a five-mile square desert tract of pine trees.

The dunes, creeping upon the little forest from the southwest, already have virtually engulfed some of the great trees. Some of the dunes are more than 50 feet high.

## HUNT RESUMED FOR MURDERER OF SMALL GIRL

Virginia Brooks' Body is Found in Lonely Spot By Shepherd

Left There Within Only few Hours, Believed by Officers

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 10. (AP)—On a lonely mesa fifteen miles north of here, a wandering shepherd and his Collie dog stumbled today on the mutilated remains of ten year old Virginia Brooks, missing from her home here since February 11.

A fiend, as brutal as the killer of Marion Parker in Los Angeles four years ago, for whose death William Edward Hickman was hanged, kidnaped, slew and dismembered the school girl and kept the remains for more than three weeks before tossing them from an automobile last night.

Only the barest of clues were uncovered as police organized their manhunt. Beside the body they found in another sack the books which the little girl carried from her home the morning of February 11 as she left for school, the last of her friends ever saw of her alive. The books were turned over to fingerprint experts.

Trucks of Auto are Found

Near the barley sacks into which the girl's body had been stuffed fresh automobile tracks (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

## SPRING OPENING'S PLANS COMPLETED

Windows to be Unveiled at 7:30 p. m. on Friday, Says Chairman

Put your rabbit's foot about your neck and come out for "spring opening" Friday the thirteenth in the city of Salem. Kletzing, general chairman of the event which is being sponsored by the Salem A. C. club.

Gorgeous window displays, the best exhibit of automobiles ever to be seen in Salem streets, an excellently planned program and following all this exhibition, Cole McElroy and his 10 Oregonians furnishing the music for a dance at Crystal Gardens, will make an evening for more than 60 and 70 automobiles in the automobile display which will take place on Liberty street between State and Commercial streets, and on State (Turn to page 2, col. 7)

## NOTED DIPLOMAT DIES IN HOSPITAL

BALTIMORE, March 10. (AP)—Joseph Potter Cotton, who as under secretary of state for nearly two years gained reputation for frank and direct diplomatic methods, died late today at Johns Hopkins hospital, where he had undergone two major operations in the last six weeks.

Death came at 5:16 o'clock after the administration of oxygen had failed to prolong his life. At his bedside were his wife and daughter Isabel and his New York law partner, George S. Franklin.

Earlier in the day Dr. Joel T. Boone, the White House physician, was a caller and last night Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson, informed his colleague was dying, visited him.

Mr. Cotton was 55 years old. He underwent an operation for spinal infection on January 21, and on February 16 his right eye was removed.

## Actor Who Saw Lincoln Fall is Dead at Age 86

PHILADELPHIA, March 10. (AP)—Francis Byrne, 86, who was said to have been on the stage of Ford's theatre the night Abraham Lincoln was shot, died at the home of his son here last night.

Byrne was playing the role of "Captain de Boats" in "Our American Cousin." He was standing in the wings opposite the president's box waiting for his cue when John Wilkes Booth shot the president. He saw the president slump in his chair and saw Booth leap to the stage and disappear.

## COAL MINERS STRIKE

CARDIFF, Wales, March 10. (AP)—Five thousand coal miners in several collieries went on strike today in protest against a wage cut of seven pence a day recently decided upon by the joint conciliation board.

## TUTS APPENDIX OUT

ROCHESTER, Minn., March 10. (AP)—Henry Tuttle of Minneapolis, known in the fight ring as King Tut, underwent an operation for appendicitis at Mayo clinic here today.

## Kirkland Found Guilty, to Face Life in Prison

VALPARAISO, Ind., March 10. (AP)—Virgil Kirkland was convicted of murder by a jury tonight in connection with the death of Ariens "Babe" Draves, yesterday as his imprisonment was recommended by the jurors.

The verdict was returned less than four hours after the jurors had retired to decide whether an attack by Kirkland upon the young high school graduate caused her death.

It was chosen from seven alternative decisions proffered by Judge Grant Crumacker in his instructions, and represented a compromise between the prosecution's sentence of life imprisonment and the defense's demand for acquittal.

## LAW ENFORCEMENT PROBLEMS STUDIED

Police School Continues to Hold Interest; Society Blamed for Crime

Problems of law enforcement and practical means of increasing enforcement efficiency, continued yesterday to occupy the attention of police officials from over the northwest, in attendance at the police school being conducted at the state capitol by the Willamette college of law.

"Much of the advance work of crime prevention rests on your shoulders," said Colonel A. E. Clark in addressing the gathering. "You cannot expect much progress from the courts which by nature are rather static and necessarily reacting to the crime which is largely true of the legal profession. To advance law enforcement to the status of a well-paid, highly respected profession, you men must provide the impetus."

Other speakers on the day's program included John Carson, district attorney of Marion county; Luke S. May of Seattle. "Recognition, Preservation and Presentation of Criminal Evidence," Martin Ferrey, "The Psychology of Crime and Criminals," Elizabeth Lessing, "Cause (Turn to page 2, col. 2)

## BEATED WINTER CONTINUES SWAY

LONDON, March 10. (AP)—Beated winter continued today to hold large sections of Europe in its grip.

Austria lay under a thick white blanket, snow which had been blowing from the Rhine valley and the Black Forest, already heavily covered, with the deepest fall in years.

A snowstorm swirled across Paris. In Scotland and northern England many towns and cities were snowbound, and the fall continued. The roofs of London were crusted with white although streets had been cleared.

Several deaths in Great Britain were ascribed to the cold, which brought temperatures to zero in many sections.

The snow which blew in from the provinces made the flood predicament of Paris more serious by swelling the Seine, already out of its bounds in the suburbs.

In the earthquake zone along the Yugoslavian, Bulgarian and Greek frontiers bitter cold added to the hardships of thousands injured or made homeless.

## STATES ACCEPTING ROAD COOPERATION

WASHINGTON, March 10. (AP)—The 48 states and Hawaii have taken approximately \$45,000,000 of the \$80,000,000 emergency fund appropriated by congress to speed federal highway construction this spring.

Arkansas, Massachusetts, Delaware and South Carolina have pledged their entire apportionment.

Amounts states have pledged themselves to take up to March 1 include:

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|---------------------------|--------------|
| Apportionment Unobligated | Balance      |
| State                     | \$80,000,000 |
| Calif.                    | 3,109,233    |
| Idaho                     | 1,008,928    |
| Montana                   | 1,671,930    |
| Oregon                    | 1,329,287    |
| Wash.                     | 1,279,933    |

## Do You Remember When

There were wooden fences around the state house and the court house, to keep the cows out?

When George Waters drove the Wells-Fargo express wagon?

See the panorama of the past in the 80th anniversary number of The Oregon Statesman, out March 25.

## TENURE LAW IS IN FORCE HERE

BOARD IS TOLD

Teachers After Serving two Years may not be Fired Except for Cause

Decision to buy Cord Wood Protested; Building Program Delayed

Following the recent census, Salem falls automatically under the teachers' tenure law, which has been in force here since the school board at Tuesday night's meeting. This law is effective in all cities of 20,000 population or over. However, the size of the school board remains the same, five members, until the population of children of school age creeps beyond the 20,000 mark.

Under the tenure law, teachers undergo a probationary period for the first two years of service, and following this can be removed for cause only. Teachers against whom there is complaint during the first two years may not be dismissed without opportunity to serve under another principal.

Teacher Removed Entitled to Hearing

Under the tenure system, teachers who survive the probationary system automatically remain on, unless discharged upon complaint, in which case the teacher may secure hearing. Annual elections of the board will be virtually passe, starting this spring. Written note (Turn to page 2, col. 3)

## REPUBLICANS WILL LIST ACHIEVEMENT

WASHINGTON, March 10. (AP)—The machinery of the republican national committee will be thrown into high gear in an effort to acquaint the country with the work of the Hoover administration.

Plans looking toward 1932 were outlined today by Chairman Fees, after a call at the White House. He said, however, he would not go over the program with President Hoover until later.

A little later, James Francis Burke, general counsel of the committee, issued a statement saying it would not meet soon because the country "is suffering of an overdose of politics."

Meanwhile, democrats and independent republicans assailed the announcement last night by Robert H. Lucas, executive director of the republican national committee, that an advisory committee for agriculture had been formed to help the farmer, who the administration had done for them.

Senator Fees said the committee's plan for more intensive publicity, the organization of subcommittees, and the speeding up of state republican organizations.

## SHREVE ARRESTED IN VICE RING CASE

SAN DIEGO, March 10. (AP)—Jesse H. Shreve, prominent San Diego business man, voluntarily surrendered late today and was subsequently released in \$25,000 bond in connection with the Los Angeles "girl market" case.

Two complaints issued today by District Attorney Thomas Whelan cited seven counts involving Shreve with Alexander Pantages, vaudeville magnate; John P. Mills, William Jobelmann and Olive Clark Day in alleged offenses concerning the "love mart."

Pantages was at Agua Caliente but said over the telephone he would be glad to come across the line if he were wanted. He denied any guilt.

## Truck Driver is Killed in Fall

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., March 10. (AP)—Eugene Chisler, a truck driver for a local construction company for the past three years, was killed instantly on the highway south of here today when his truck rolled down a four-foot embankment.

## Old Mystery Recalled In Involved Will Case

A case which calls to mind memories of an unsolved tragedy of 23 years ago in this county, and involves property valued at around \$70,000 arises in the administration of the estate of George J. Moore, who died in Clatsop county, October 16, 1930.

Already two wills have been filed for probate dated about a month apart, and bequeathing the whole of the estate to entirely different parties. Another case is ready for filing in which three pieces-at-law of the deceased claim the bulk of the estate by virtue of an agreement between Moore and his wife, Rebecca A. Moore, who came to a tragic death September 2, 1927.

In the case which is being filed in Marion county, Grace Rebecca Taylor, Clara Holton Lewis, and Alice Holton Duff are the plaintiffs. The defendants are Ennis D. and Alice B. Wait, as administrators and administratrix of the estate of George J. Moore; John Edward Barry, Agnes Davidson Matlock and C. N. Matlock; and Robert Gordon Moore.

The Waits reside in Salem, and Barry in Portland. Robert Gordon Moore is the brother of the decedent. This case alleges that Rebecca A. Moore, the aunt of the plaintiffs, had property worth some \$40,000, and her husband, George J. Moore property worth \$500; that the husband and wife made a contract in which they agreed that the property of each should go to the survivor for use during his lifetime, and on such survivor's death the property should go to the three plaintiffs who were the nieces and only heirs of Mrs. Moore. This agreement was dated March 15, 1906, and on March 17, Mrs. Moore executed deeds in favor of her husband, which deeds were filed in (Turn to page 2, col. 6)

## Higher School Fund Fate is Delayed as Item Veto at Issue

Meier Said Likely to Reduce Amount as in Other Bills

Not until today or possibly until Thursday will the fate of the \$1,151,000 appropriation bill providing funds for Oregon's five educational institutions of higher education be learned. The measure, approved by the legislature, is in Governor Meier's office and it is well known at the capitol that at least the cars and feet of the measure may be trimmed off with an ax, with some chance that the governor will take a lusty swing at the body of the bill.

Governor Meier has indicated his attitude towards appropriations by vetoes of certain bills handed him by the legislature, outstanding of which was the cutting of the Waverly home appropriation from \$40,000 to \$25,000. While it was first thought that this executive reduction of a bill was unprecedented, it later developed that Governor Walter Pierce is said to have followed the same course in 1923 and again in 1925. The general practice has been either to approve an appropriation bill as drawn or else to veto it in its entirety.

Single Item Veto Under Dispute

Rumors were persistent yesterday that Governor Meier is not satisfied with the large "lump sum" appropriation for the higher educational institutions and desires to lop off a considerable part of the sum allotted. Most off-hand legal opinions were to the effect that the governor had no right to slash the appropriation but must confine his action either to approval or to absolute veto.

Among the visitors at the executive department Tuesday was C. L. Starr, of Portland, president of the state board of higher education. He was closeted with Governor Meier for nearly an hour. While neither Starr nor the governor would intimate as to what developed at the conference, it was said by other visitors close to the "throne" that the appropriation for the higher educational institutions was discussed.

Starr previously appeared before the ways and means committee on several occasions in behalf of the appropriation. On these occasions he made it plain that the board of higher education had reduced materially the budget before the ways and means committee (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

## JUNIOR BASEBALL PLAN IS LAUNCHED

Four Teams Planned Here; Other Activities for Spring Announced

American Legion Juniors contesting in Salem for baseball honors may be divided into four teams this year if plans told by Oliver Huston, chairman of the amateur committee of the American Legion, are worked out. Huston told legionnaires at their meeting Tuesday night about his plans and said that from the boys playing in the four local teams, he would expect to choose the team to represent Salem in the state contest. Prizes would be awarded locally to the winning team in Salem.

Huston also reported to the legion on tentative trap-shoot and tennis tournament for legion men to be held here this spring and summer. The events would be innovations in legion circles here although they have been carried on elsewhere.

## ADMIRERS NEARLY KILL HINDU SEER

AHMADABAD, India, March 10. (AP)—Mahatma Gandhi, home for the first time since his salt-making march to the sea, was jostled about like an American subway passenger today by a hundred thousand worshipping Hindus who fought to touch his garments.

So great was the crush that he would have been seriously injured had not those closest to him formed a flying wedge and butted a way to the speaker's platform in the center of a tremendous crowd.

"If you love me," he cried, again and again, "don't trample me to death," but the din was so great that no one heard him and when he spoke from the platform, even loud speakers could not carry his voice beyond the first fringes of his audience.

Tens of thousands of white-clad men, women and children sat cross-legged on the panning sands of the dried-up river Sabarmati, gazing upon the wan and wasted little man who has led them closer to freedom than Indians have ever been before.

New England and the middle west are still digging from under drifts. The Black forest and Rhine valley of Germany lay buried in white.

Battered fragments of boats and the pieces of an airplane are remnants of coast gales in Massachusetts. Boat fragments indicated five fishermen were lost. The airplane pieces spelled tragic mystery.

Diaz's frost was felt as far south as Miami, Fla.

## SOUTH IS SMITTEN BY WINTER FROSTS

(By The Associated Press)

Frosty winds into the south today, tightened its cold grip over Europe and swept the Balkan quaker scenes with chill winds.

Snow avalanches descended upon several sections in behalf of the appropriation. On these occasions he made it plain that the board of higher education had reduced materially the budget before the ways and means committee (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

## Sign Contract For Law Books At Willamette

A contract for the delivery of 1931 new law books was signed by authorities of Willamette university early this week. This will make the law library of the university total over 8,000 volumes.

To each set of these books, a new volume or two will be added each year. By keeping the sets entirely up to date.

More shelves will be needed in the law library in the basement of Waller hall to take care of the books. The management and staff caring for the law library is different from that of the regular university library.

KAYORS CHAMPION LOS ANGELES, March 10. (AP)—Pauline Uscedan, Bounding Basque, knocked out California's heavy-weight champion, Kennedy of Long Beach, with a terrific left jab to the jaw in the fourth round of their 10-round fight here tonight.