

EIGHTY YEARS
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THE WEATHER
Fair today and Sunday but becoming cloudy Sunday, normal temperature; Max. Temp. Friday 68, Min. 51, river 4.3 feet, north wind.

EIGHTIETH YEAR

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RECORD CROWD INSPECTS NEW SPRING STYLES

Ideal Weather Proves Jinx Of Friday 13 Doesn't Rest on Ad Club

Windows, Automobile Show and Program all Draw Share of Attention

Salem merchants opened the hope chest of Miss Spring Friday night to the accompaniment of many whistles and the sound of many voices in expressions of wonder and amazement over the drawing of the curtains from the veiled shop windows. Capitol Post drum corp drummed a snappy welcome and marched in full uniform as the official escort for the arrival of "the Friars" and the one jostled along the crowded streets it was to wonder if this be Salem or Chicago on parade.

An outstanding feature of Spring opening this year was the automobile display which filled the street from the Commercial street on State to Liberty down Liberty to Court street. At the Liberty and State street intersection an airplane rested comfortably, looking down superiorly upon the show below. Cars which were made stay on the ground in order to be useful. The automobiles were attracting much attention Friday night as was the airplane, and the whole display was most dignified and attractive.

Special Feature South Commercial Street Shows Popular
Shop windows were perhaps not so elaborate this year as they have been in years gone by, but they were very lovely, and not a few drew exclamations of delight from the crowd. Many groups of observers went with note pads in hand checking the tickets which they held in their hands against the treasure tickets to be found in windows. When a lucky number was found there was real excitement.

Program of Music and Speeches
The program of music and speeches broadcast from the chamber of commerce rooms was exceptionally well given and met with the hearty approval of the large audience in the street and on sidewalks below the windows. Friday the thirteenth proved no hoodoo to the Salem Ad club. Rain of the week stopped drizzling, the night was pleasantly warm, and hearty cooperation of merchants and public greatly appreciated by the Ad club committee in charge, completed a successful 1931 "Spring opening."

Mother Throws Three Children, Self Into River

MATTAPOISETT, Mass., March 13.—(AP)—Mrs. William Chester Allison, 35, Saylesville, R. I. drove her three children to a dock here tonight on the pretense of showing them the New York boat and then hurled them into the water and jumped to her death after them.

STEWART COLONEL NOW WASHINGTON, MARCH 13

(AP)—Honorary commissions as colonels of the marines were conferred today upon Senators Stewart and Frost.

DEAD FIRST, BELIEF

PORTLAND, March 13.—(AP)—The county coroner's office tonight advanced the theory Captain Harvey J. Silveston, 38, retired United States army officer, died at the wheel of his automobile before it plunged off a ferry slip into 25 feet of water in the Willamette river here last night.

LOSS IS \$60,000

ASHLAND, March 13.—(AP)—The Moon lumber planing mill one mile south of Ashland was destroyed by fire early today. Loss, including a quantity of sugar pine stored near the mill, was estimated at \$60,000. The origin of the fire had not been determined tonight.

HELD SYNDICALIST

PORTLAND, March 13.—(AP)—Fred Walker, 23, northwest organizer for the Young Communist league, will go on trial here Monday on an indictment charging violation of the criminal syndicalism act.

"Big Four" at Democrat Meeting



The first meeting of the democratic national committee since 1928, at Washington, D. C., was thrown into an uproar when John J. Rankin, its chairman, proposed a state's rights prohibition plank for the party's next national convention. This picture, taken during recess, shows the Big Four of the party, who took a leading part in the meeting. They are, left to right, former Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York, Chairman John J. Rankin, Joseph S. Shouse and James M. Cox, of Ohio, presidential nominee in 1920.

BOTH DEFENDANTS ON SICK LIST NOW

Bowles Case Jurors Playing Indoor Baseball Games For Health's Sake

HILLSBORO, Ore., March 13.—(AP)—Both defendants in the Bowles-Loucks murder trial tonight joined the list of those ill with influenza.

Nelson C. Bowles and Irma Loucks, charged with the murder of Bowles' wife, were placed under the care of Dr. J. B. Dinmore today. Dr. Dinmore said, however, their illness was not serious and expressed the opinion they would be able to go to court again Monday.

Five of the jurors hearing the case have been ill with influenza, causing adjournment of the trial until next Monday. Dr. J. O. Bobb, Washington county physician, said today all but Philo R. Dickinson were out of bed and taking exercise. Dickinson, he said, probably would be about tomorrow.

FUGITIVE IS SHOT DEAD BY OFFICER

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 13.—(AP)—Ellis Wilcox, who broke out of Oakalla jail March 5, was shot dead by Chief of Police W. J. Devitt of Burnaby, near the Vancouver-Burnaby boundary late today.

3 WARDENS KILLED

TEHERAN, Persia, March 13.—(AP)—Three wardens were killed and about 50 prisoners escaped tonight as the result of disorders in the Teheran jail. Eight of those who fled were recaptured.

War Hero Plunge Victim

Walker Trial on Monday
Ask Bond Firm Receiver

CRATER SNOW DEEP

BEND, March 13.—(AP)—Reports from Crater lake show more than 70 inches of snow at the rim. The road to the lake will be open to motorists about April 1, it is expected.

FARRINGTON SUE

PORTLAND, March 13.—(AP)—Receivership for the Western Bond and Mortgage company and an accounting of the assets, securities and earnings of the company and its former president, C. E. Farrington, were asked in suit filed in federal district court here today by John Brockie, an Idaho stockholder. Three of Farrington's business associates and three corporations he is alleged to have organized from time to time are named as co-defendants.

Hodge Advances New History of Columbia River

PORTLAND, Ore., March 13.—(AP)—Dr. Edwin T. Hodge, professor of geology at the University of Oregon, advanced a new theory of the history of the Columbia river in an address before the City club here today.

INDEPENDENTS EYE BOURBON ALLIANCE

Election of Democrat Only Hope of Liberal for President, Claim

WASHINGTON, March 13.—An open flirtation between democratic leaders and independent republicans looking toward the 1932 presidential campaign developed today as an aftermath of the progressives' conference.

PRINCE OF WALES OPENS EXPOSITION

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, March 13.—(AP)—The Union Jack flew today in Palermo park from the fastest craft of earth and sea and sky—crowd-catchers in a \$20,000 exhibition designed to bring Britain back to prominence in Argentina's foreign trade.

HOREB AND AURORA COURTS ABOLISHED

The Horeb and Aurora justice of the peace districts in this county have been discontinued and the territories merged with the Mehama and Woodburn justice districts, order to that effect being made by the county court yesterday.

Denison Found Not Guilty of Having Liquor

WASHINGTON, March 13.—(AP)—Edward E. Denison, a member of the house from Illinois for 16 years before he was defeated for reelection last November today was acquitted of liquor possession charges by a jury of eight men and four women in District of Columbia supreme court.

Bootlegger in Fish Hooks is Caught in Boat

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 13.—(AP)—And now it's the fish hook bootlegger.

Local Grappling Team is Winner

The Salem high school wrestling team made its opening home bow to an enthusiastic crowd and won a meet from Tillamook by a score of 38 to 33 Friday night at the high school.

Gas Price Cut One Cent More

SAN FRANCISCO, March 13.—(AP)—Standard Oil company of California officials announced tonight another one cent reduction in the price of gasoline would become effective tomorrow at Standard Stations, Inc., in San Francisco, Oakland, Fresno, Los Angeles and Portland, Ore. A reduction of one and one-half cents will be made at Seattle and Tacoma.

DECISION UPON RIVER PROJECT NOT FAVORABLE

Board of Army Engineers is On Record Opposing Deeper Channel

McNary Sounds Optimistic Noise, Holding Reversal Of Action Likely

An unfavorable report on opening of the Willamette river to all-year navigation has been made by the federal board of engineers, Senator Charles L. McNary last night wired E. R. Crawford, president of the Salem chamber of commerce.

While the report looks depressing, Senator McNary has a note of optimism in his telegram, for he says he believes a hearing in the fall will reverse the matter. The telegram's contents are of special interest here right now, in view of the fact that March 20, 100 delegates of the Willamette Valley Waterways association will meet here to further efforts to open the river to navigation for at least part of the year.

ORGANIZED CRIME PREVENTION TOPIC

"Organized Crime Prevention," was the topic discussed by Captain R. L. Crane of the Portland police department, who was one of the principal speakers at Friday's sessions of the annual police school now being held here under the direction of the law department of Willamette university.

Late Sports

BOSTON, March 13.—(AP)—Jim Londos, claimant of the world's heavyweight wrestling title, won his sixth straight of the week tonight by tossing the injured Gino Garibaldi of New York with a body lift and half Nelson before 12,000 spectators at the Boston Garden.

Special Session Of Idaho Solons Finally Closes

BOISE, Idaho, March 13.—The special session of the Idaho legislature adjourned tonight after passing the entire program of tax legislation asked by Governor C. Ben Ross.

ROLL OF HONOR

The Statesman is planning for the celebration of its 80th anniversary to prepare a "Roll of Honor." We want the names of all those residents of Marion and Polk counties who:
1. Were born in Oregon territory on or before March 28, 1851.
2. Any couples who have been married 80 years or over.
3. The names of all who have been continuous subscribers to The Statesman for fifty years or longer.
Please send in your name and address and give appropriate dates.
The Statesman enters the ranks of "octogenarians" and desires to celebrate the event properly.
The Oregon Statesman, Salem, Oregon.

Outdoor Advertising Monopoly Broken by Justice Department

Foster and Kleiser Found in Violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act on West Coast; Ordered to Sell one Subsidiary

WASHINGTON, March 13.—(AP)—The breaking up of an allegedly illegal monopoly upon outdoor advertising of the Pacific coast was announced today by the justice department. A final decree in favor of the government was signed in the Los Angeles federal district court this afternoon, the department said, in a suit instituted last April against the Foster and Kleiser company, sons of its officers, and the Restop Realty company, a subsidiary. The suit charged violation of the Sherman anti-trust act.

UNITED STATES TO JOIN NAVY PARLEY

Dwight Morrow Likely to be One of Representatives at London Meeting

WASHINGTON, March 13.—(AP)—Acceptance by the United States of an invitation to be represented on a committee of the five principal naval powers signatory to the London naval agreement to draft the final form of the Franco-Italian settlement tonight appeared likely.

DATES FIXED FOR EDITORS' MEETING

June 26, 27, and 28 are the dates set for the annual meeting of the Oregon editorial association to be held this year in Salem. The dates were fixed and program preliminaries mapped out in a meeting of the committee held at the chamber of commerce yesterday afternoon.

Bandit is Dying After Gun Fight With Policeman

TAOUMA, Wash., March 13.—(AP)—A bandit who made the mistake of attempting to hold up a downtown service station while an officer was in the offices, was believed dying here tonight after a gun battle in which nine shots were fired by the two men, only a few paces apart. The officer miraculously escaped unscathed.

Large Haul of Jewelry Made At Palm Beach

PALM BEACH, Fla., March 13.—(AP)—Robber, who had the key to the door and combination of the safe, entered the Palm Beach branch of Chariton and company, New York jewelers, last night and escaped with loot estimated at \$750,000.

Body of Liquor Vendor Found; Has 10 Wounds

KANSAS CITY, March 13.—(AP)—The body of Nicol Valenti, 25, Italian, known to police as a bootlegger, was found at an isolated spot along Cliff drive here late today. There were 10 bullet wounds in it.

Irwin Given Military Rites

WEST POINT, N. Y., March 13.—(AP)—Guns boomed a soldier's farewell today as Major General George Leroy Irwin, former commander of the Panama Canal division, was buried with full military honors in the West Point cemetery beside his father, Brigadier General E. J. D. Irwin, who died in 1917.

FOUR VILLAGES ARE ENGULFED BY LANDSLIDE

Engineers Seek to Divert Onrushing Bulk; Will Blast out Bridge

Terror Stricken People in French Region Flee as Homes are Destroyed

CHAMBERY, France, March 13.—(AP)—Four hundred million cubic meters of rock, snow and earth, sliding inexorably down the mountains at the rate of 500 feet an hour have driven the inhabitants of four villages into terrified flight in the last 24 hours.

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Story of News Gathering Goes On Radio Today

NEW YORK, March 13.—(AP)—News and radio is obtained, photographically as well as for the printed word, is to be dramatically told in the broadcast tomorrow from the general news room of the Associated Press in New York.

Appeals for Help Still Coming to County Court

Despite the advent of spring, the county court is facing continued appeals for help, with many of the needy proving near destitution.