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Fair today and Thursday, temperature below normal; clear, west wind, no rain.

**EIGHTIETH YEAR**

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## SURVIVORS OF VIKING BLAST RELATE STORY

### Frissell Believed Dead as Last Seen in Rigging, Caught by Flames

### Bernt Balchen Sees no Sign of Missing Victims in Cruise Over Spot

ST. JOHNS, N. F., March 24.—(AP)—Back from the twin towers of fire and ice, the sealer Sagona today landed sick and injured survivors of an explosion which blew up the sealer Viking off Horse Island.

They brought with them first-hand stories of the disaster and of the long fight against high piled ice floes to rescue the 128 men saved after the explosion.

More than a score still were missing after a week's search of the half frozen ocean by a fleet of sealers, but the quest was carried on from the air today by a veteran of arctic adventure, Bernt Balchen.

### Balchen Finds No Trace of Missing

The pilot, Byrd's pilot over the south pole, took off from Cornerbrook for Horse Island this afternoon and made a three-hour survey trip. He was engaged by Dr. Lewis Frissell of New York, father of one of the two Americans missing—Varrick Frissell, motion picture photographer. Dr. Frissell believes his son still may be alive. With Balchen were Merion Cooper of New York, organizer of the flight, and Randy Enslow, relief pilot.

Upon his return to Cornerbrook, Balchen reported that the flight had covered the vicinity of Horse Island from the coast of Notre Dame bay and thence outside of White bay for a distance of about 50 miles, but that no wreckage or trace of the missing man was located. He will fly again tomorrow.

Kennedy took over the flying of the last man who saw Frissell alive was William Kennedy, navigator of the Viking, who died of injuries and pneumonia aboard the Sagona last night. Before he died, Kennedy told Captain Jacob Kea, commander of the Sagona a vivid story.

## BROTHERS POINTED OUT BY WILLIAMS

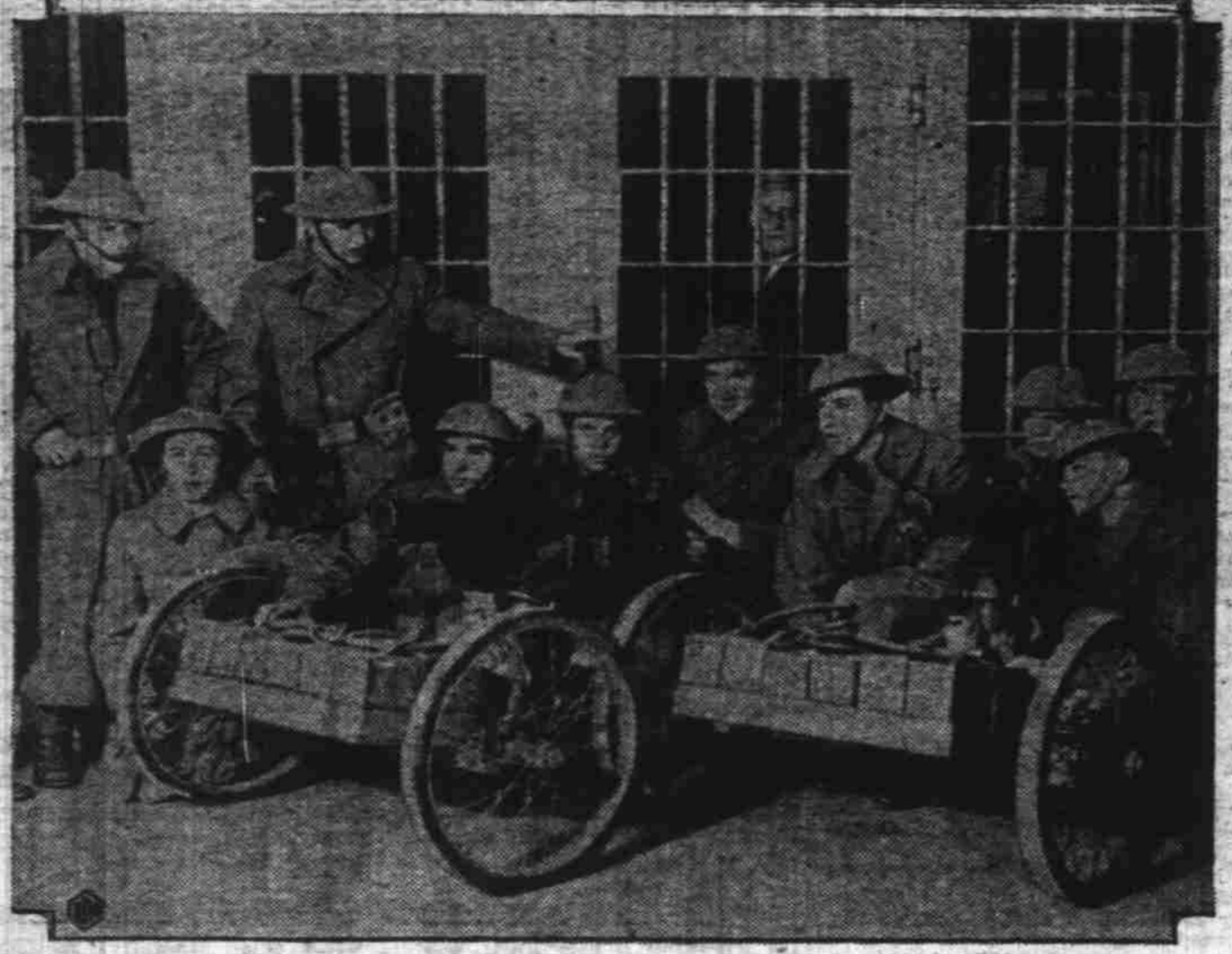
CHICAGO, March 24.—(AP)—Leo Brothers was pointed out in Judge Joseph Sabath's courtroom today as the man who ran out of a pedestrian tunnel last June immediately after Alfred "Jake" Lingie, Tribune crime reporter, was assassinated.

Warren Williams, a former railway brakeman now employed by the state's attorney, said he was standing at the entrance of the subway last June 9 when he heard a "muffled report."

"Then I saw a man come running out of the tunnel. He zigzagged through traffic, almost got hit by a car, and ran within a foot and a half of me," Williams testified.

Williams pointed out the calm youthful defendant, seated at the counsel table, as the man who ran.

## Not War; Just Prison Outbreak



Here is shown a machine-gun squad of the National Guard just outside the gates of the state penitentiary at Statesville, Ill. The guards were called in to subdue the rioting prisoners who set fire to the prison, causing damage to the institution that may reach half a million dollars.

## IRMA LOUCKS TELLS OF DEATH TRAGEDY

### Denies Guilt; Appears Near Breakdown but Saved By Court Recess

HILLSBORO, Ore., March 24.—(AP)—Irma Loucks, 28, denied from the witness stand in circuit court here today that either she or her co-defendant, Nelson C. Bowles, millionaire Portland capitalist, had plunged a serrated bread knife into the heart of the latter's wife with fatal effect.

"Miss Loucks, did you kill Nelson C. Bowles?" Attorney Wallace McCamant asked during direct examination of the witness.

"I did not," came the answer in the same low-voiced monotone the capitalist's former secretary used throughout the day.

"Did Mr. Bowles kill her?" McCamant shot.

Miss Loucks' answer was inaudible, but as Prosecutor George Mowry leaped from his chair with an objection, she replied "No."

Previously Miss Loucks, while being questioned concerning the fatal stabbing of Mrs. Bowles in the kitchen of the former stenographer's Portland apartment last November 12, appeared near a breakdown. She described her ministrations to the wounded woman, then was shown the knife which caused the prominent society woman's death.

## Movie Pioneer Robert Edeson Dies at Age 62

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., March 24.—(AP)—Robert Edeson, the last of the four men who turned their backs on golden careers in the stage in 1914 to risk their fortunes in the untried films, joined his old cronies in death at dawn today. He was 62 years old.

## MURDER CHARGED TO SON OF SOLON

NEWPORT, R. I., March 24.—(AP)—A warrant charging Elliot Hathaway, son of state representative, Louis E. Hathaway of Fall River, Mass. with the murder of Verna Russell, 29 year old student nurse, was issued here tonight.

## TALENT CONTEST PLANS ARRANGED

### Finals Here May 22; Small Groups of Participants Barred by New Rule

Preliminary arrangements for the presentation of the annual talent contests sponsored by the Marion County federated clubs were launched at a meeting of the board of directors last night at the chamber of commerce. The finals will be held at the Warner Bros. Elinore theatre Friday, May 22, it was decided.

## RICHES AND OLSEN KEEP IN PRACTICE

SILVERTON, March 23.—(AP)—Harry Riches and Sgt. O. W. Olsen, both of whom were in the Oregon National Guard rifle team which went to Camp Perry, Ohio, last August, are still going strong.

## AMERIL NAMED NEW INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

### Forecasts as to Accident Board House Cleaning Prove Correct

### Hunter, Early and Lawrence Appointed to Succeed Three old Members

A. H. Avrill of Portland was appointed state insurance commissioner succeeding Clare A. Lee who has resigned, Tuesday by Governor Meier who at the same time announced the appointment of A. R. Hunter of La Grande, Charles E. Early of Portland and Arthur W. Lawrence of Corvallis as members of the industrial accident commission, bearing out a forecast which appeared in that morning's Statesman.

Mr. Lawrence will succeed W. H. Fitzgerald. Mr. Early will succeed Sam Laughlin and Mr. Hunter will succeed E. E. Bragg. Mr. Hunter is a democrat, while Early and Lawrence are republicans.

Lawrence has been a resident of Oregon since 1906, and has been prominently identified with labor. He has served as secretary of the Central Labor council of Portland, president of the Central Trades Council of Salem and editor of the Oregon Labor Press. He will represent employees on the commission.

Mr. Lawrence, in 1912, was one of two successful labor candidates for membership in the lower house of the legislature from Multnomah county. At the 1913 legislative session he introduced and championed the workmen's compensation act, and the eight

## Call to Arms 14 Years Ago Now Recalled

Fourteen years ago tonight the call to arms sent hurrying to the Salem armory scores of national guardsmen, members of the old Third Oregon company and for the next five days the first fever bluish of war excitement was on in earnest.

## TUCKER INDICTED FOR KIRK SLAYING

WASHINGTON, March 24.—(AP)—George Pierce Tucker, held in Los Angeles, was indicted today for the murder of Miss Emma Kirk, 63-year-old umbrella mender, in 1926.

## Montague Lord Visits on Way To Porto Rico

Montague Lord, brother of Miss Elizabeth Lord and well known in Salem where once he made his home, was a visitor here from Sunday to Tuesday of this week.

## Shakeup in School Administration is Hinted at Meeting

### Director Neer Makes Brief Mention as Matter of Secondary Supervisors' Contract Comes Before District Board

### HINT of an impending shake-up in the administrative side of Salem schools was dropped at the school board meeting last night when Director Frank Neer declared that "I personally feel a general reorganization of the administration must be faced."

Mr. Neer's statement brought no response from the other members of the board. It was made following request from the chairman that the board take some course of action relative to word that H. W. Tavener, assistant high school principal and secondary supervisor, had received a flattering offer from an eastern Oregon school.

Mr. Tavener informed the city superintendent of the offer, but declared he would be willing to stay on here at his present salary plus \$500 which Williamsite university has offered for his supervision of university students who do practice teaching in the high school. The combined salary would about equal the offer from eastern Oregon, it is understood.

It was after these facts were made known that Neer made his statement. The board tabled the Tavener matter until next meeting. (Turn to page 2, col. 3)

## HEADWAY MADE IN LEGION CAMPAIGN

### Membership Reaches 709 At Meeting; Junior Ball Program Backed

Legion members 250 strong attended the meeting of Capital Post No. 9 last night, when one of the finest programs enjoyed by the post in some time was given. The local post has reached 709 members in its membership drive, goal of which is 1200. R. H. Bassett, chairman of the drive, reported.

The Legion voted to sponsor the junior baseball program league again this year, and named Officer Huston to head the committee.

Police Quartet Is On Program

Feature of the program last night, in addition to a "feed," was singing of the Portland policemen's quartet, composed of Lt. W. A. Tyler, P. J. Burch, C. D. Lamb and George Jahn. The accompanist is Mrs. C. D. Lamb. The quartet was called upon for four encore numbers at the end of the program.

Other numbers on the program included: tap dance, Rosa Lee Nusbaum, KEK trio, Francis Purvine, Marcia Stimpson and Dorotea Dotson, in two numbers; police quartet; marimba solo, Edith Findley; jazz selections, Marcia Stimpson; violin solo, Alex Melovidoff, a member of the post and better known as Chief Melnicwac, a member of the Aleutian Islands tribe of Alaska. Melovidoff also played a saxophone solo.

J. T. Delaney was in general charge of the evening's entertainment.

## WILKINS EXPLOIT HAZARDOUS, CLAIM

LOWELL, Mass., March 24.—(AP)—Commander Donald B. MacMillan, explorer, speaking here today on the proposed cruise of the ship Wilkins in a submarine, termed it the most hazardous proposition ever attempted by an Arctic explorer.

Commander MacMillan said the submarine could reach the North Pole only by chance, because the navigation is dependent on moon and stars and that when submerged, the ship's captain could not get his navigation points.

He further said that the submarine, if caught in an ice pack, would have no chance of escape. The explorer, who had seen Polar ice 40 feet thick.

## TROOPS DURING IN PERU AGAIN AFTER REVOLT

### Surprise Uprising Follows Peace Establishment Under new Junta

### Purpose not Known Though Leguia Support Held Probable Cause

LIMA, Peru, March 24.—(AP)—After a brief period of peace, Lima was again under martial law tonight after loyal troops had put down a revolt of part of the 15th Infantry regiment late last night by directing cannon fire against the Santa Catalina barracks. Some 40 or more rebels were killed.

The surprise uprising, which followed establishment of peace under the new Junta headed by Lieutenant-Colonel David Samuarez Ocampo, lasted four hours. The insurgents attempted to storm the palace. A number of persons were arrested.

While the purpose of the new rebellion was not announced there were numerous reports as to its aim. Some say the revolters claim not to have received their pay, while others connect the movement with activities of supporters of Augusto B. Leguia, overthrown as president last fall.

Another report is that the uprising had communistic connections. Communist pamphlets were found in the possession of several soldiers who participated.

In announcing that all strength at hand would be used in punishing attempts at disturbances, the government decree stated that the rebels also connected at Callao.

Lieutenant Colonel Gustavo Jimenez, minister of war, who paved the way for the provision presidency of Samuarez Ocampo by himself heading a Junta, took an active part in putting down the revolt.

The government decree said court-martials will apply the heaviest penalties.

## SHOUSE IN ANSWER POINTS TO CHICAGO

WASHINGTON, March 24.—(AP)—Chairman Shouse of the democratic national executive committee today replied to the republican national committee's description of New York city as "a sink of corruption unparalleled even in the days of Tweed and Croker."

"It had not occurred to the democratic national committee," he said, in a statement through that organization, "that the handling of Chicago's affairs by the Big Bill Thompson - Al Capone case was proof positive that Mr. Hoover had failed in his presidency."

"In fact the democratic organization has thought that the cleaning up of Chicago might well be left to the people of Chicago, who are now conducting a successful campaign to succeed Mayor Thompson with a respectable democrat."

"However, it is easier and safer for the republicans to point to New York's local complications than to defend the policies of the president or to explain to the country why two years of Hoover have left every problem he promised to solve in greater confusion than ever."

## TWO MEN HURT IN THREE CAR CRASH

E. A. Peck of 803 East Flamingo street, Portland, and George Williamson of Los Angeles were brought to the Salem general hospital Tuesday following a crash between two automobiles shortly after noon on the Pacific highway near the Fukuda filling station, just north of the Chemawa four corners. Williamson is at the hospital with a broken leg, but Peck was able to leave after being treated for a severe cut on the chin.

## Oregon Briefs

### UNABLE TO CONFIRM ENTERPRISE, Ore., March 24.—(AP)—Doubt that a man named Cleve Montgomery had been shot to death in the wild Joseph green country of Willamette county yesterday was expressed by county authorities today.

### TOTAL SAID \$5000.53

ASTORIA, Ore., March 24.—(AP)—The shortage in the books of H. F. Peacock, missing assistant postmaster, has been fixed by an audit at \$5000.53. Postmaster General Halderman said today. Peacock was under \$6000 bond. His Astoria and Warrenton property, which has been attached, is to be sufficient to cover the balance of the shortage.

### EDITOR INJURED

ST. HELENS, Ore., March 24.—(AP)—S. C. Morton, Sr., editor of the Columbia Informant, fell from a gangplank of a ship today to a boom floating in the water 40 feet below. He was injured critically.

## Murder Story Doubtful Peacock Shortage Fixed

Barbur Uses Right Hook Conference Announced

### WORKER IS KILLED

EUGENE, Ore., March 24.—(AP)—Henry Carlson, 35, a highway employe, was killed by an unexpected explosion of a charge of dynamite yesterday. Carlson was leaning over the charge to investigate delayed action of a fuse when the dynamite exploded.

### DATES APRIL 16-17

EUGENE, Ore., March 24.—(AP)—The annual community conference will be held in Eugene April 16 and 17. Dr. P. A. Parsons, head of the University of Oregon school of social work, announced today. Parsons is general chairman of the conference. Community organization problems, conservation of Oregon's scenic and recreation resources and administration of welfare laws will be discussed at the conference.

## WALKER MIXED UP ON MARRIAGE DATE

TRENTON, N. J., March 24.—(AP)—Indications today were that Mickey Walker, middleweight boxing champion, had unwittingly contracted a second marriage last night before his first wife's divorce had become fully effective.

### NEUFELDT TRIAL Set in October; To Stay on Job

Tony Neufeldt, chief of police of Dallas, entered a plea of not guilty when arraigned in circuit court on a charge of liquor possession. Date of the trial was set for October 5 by Circuit Judge Walker.

Neufeldt was released on bail of \$500 and will continue in his capacity of chief of police of the city until the case is settled.

## Late Sports

TAOOMA, March 24.—(AP)—John Preberg, Tacoma, and Joe Malcevsky, New York, heavyweight wrestlers went eight rounds to a draw in a main wrestling match here tonight. Both grapplers obtained falls.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 24.—(AP)—Jim London, recognized in several states as world's champion heavyweight wrestler, tonight threw the "man with the red mask" with an airplane whirl in 40 minutes and five seconds. The masked wrestler, winner of four consecutive bouts here while concealing his identity, revealed himself just before the match as Milo Steinborn of Germany.

LOS ANGELES, March 24.—(AP)—Tod Morgan, former world's junior lightweight champion fighting in his home town tonight as a legitimate lightweight, gave Goldie Hoes a beating to win a ten-round decision and with it the California lightweight championship.