

THE WEATHER
Increased cloudiness becoming unsettled today, rain Saturday; Max. Temp. Thursday 55, Min. 38, rain .04, river 0.8, north wind.

OFFICERS RUSH TO CLAIM ARCH BANG CRIMINAL

Fred Burke Wanted in Many Parts of Country for Dozen Murders

Surprised and Caught With No Chance to put up Fight for Liberty

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., March 26.—(AP)—Fred Burke, known as the most dangerous criminal in America because of his alleged wholesale murders and robberies was captured without a struggle today at a farmhouse near Milan, Mo., four St. Joseph policemen, a sheriff and a rural constable surprised the killer in bed. He surrendered without a shot being fired.

Word of his arrest sent Chicago detectives racing to St. Joseph by automobile, in the hope of being first to claim the prisoner. They carried warrants which charge Burke with being the assassin who lined up seven Moran gangsters in a Chicago garage St. Valentine's day, 1929, and riddled their bodies with machine gun fire.

Wanted Also for Michigan Crime
Meanwhile, Prosecutor W. N. Cunningham and Sheriff Fred Cutler left Benton Harbor, Mich., in an effort to return him to stand trial for the slaying of a policeman in St. Joseph, Mich.

Burke is charged with a dozen or more murders, and robberies totaling at least a million dollars.

The capture which ended a nationwide search for the man so badly wanted \$50,000 in rewards have been offered for his apprehension, was the result of a firm's observation, E. M. Mathews, chief of the St. Joseph police said today.

Noticing Burke displayed bills of large denomination and that he never left his automobile when visiting neighboring towns, the farmer reported his suspicions to the department of justice which requested St. Joseph officers to investigate.

Officers armed with machine guns rushed into Burke's room at dawn and seized him before

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LEO BROTHERS IS IDENTIFIED AGAIN

CRIMINAL COURTS BUILDING Chicago, March 26.—(AP)—

Four state witnesses in Judge Joseph Sabath's court today identified Leo Brothers as the "blond man" on the scene when Alfred (Jake) Lingle was killed in a pedestrian tunnel last June.

Chief among them was Clark Applegate, a Kentucky race horse trainer, friend of Lingle, who said he was not more than eight feet behind the reporter when he was shot down.

Applegate identified Brothers as the man who dropped the death weapon but did not say he saw the shot fired.

Other witnesses, all of whom said they saw Brothers running away from the pedestrian tunnel where Lingle was killed, were Otto Skoboda, who completed his cross-examination this morning; Patrick Campbell, a young truck driver and plumber, and Daniel Mills, a taxi-driver.

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Lay Claim to Wendel Millions But Aren't Likely to Get 'em



Theodore Lawton, 73, wealthy landowner of Wickford, Rhode Island, sits atop the trunk in which he claims were found documents that will prove that the youngsters sitting beside him—Edna Hayward, 24, and Teddy Hayward, 21—are the legal heirs to the huge fortune left by Ella Wendel, New York reclus, who was last of her line.

CORVALLIS BEATS SALEM DEBATERS

Even Winners Surprised at Decision, is Report; Locals Effective

An unexpected defeat at the hands of Corvallis high's affirmative debate team put an end last night to Salem high's claim for the state debating title. The debate, held at the normal school chapel in Monmouth, was to break a tie between the two schools for district honors and to decide which team should enter the state finals.

Salem persons who were present declared after the debate that even the Corvallis supporters seemed surprised at the decision of the critic judge, Eugene Laird, assistant in the public speaking department at the University of Oregon.

Local Negative Team Effective
Ward Horn and Eleanor Barth, who had gone undefeated until last night in their presentation of the negative side of the question of chain stores as a detriment to the community.

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ENGINE EXPLOSION SNUFFS OUT LIFE

BELLINGHAM, Wash., March 26.—(AP)—One man was dead, two others were near death in the Anacortes hospital tonight and a fourth was severely injured as the result of a donkey engine explosion at the Independent Logging company's camp on Turtle Back mountain, Orcas island today.

Burns and injuries proved fatal to Russell Norman, 25, who died late tonight at the hospital while the conditions of Arthur Longmate, 40, and Charles Norris, 35, were reported as critical.

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This display is a feature of our 80th anniversary, showing the progress in printing, and showing the history which The Statesman has reviewed in the period, 1851-1931.

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ELLIOTT TO ARRIVE TODAY FOR PARLEY

Belief Persists in Spite Of Denial That Offer Will be Accepted

E. C. Elliott, president of the Oregon-Washington Water Service company, is scheduled to arrive in Salem early this afternoon and to go immediately into conference with T. J. Delaney, northwest manager, and Walter E. Keyes, attorney for the company here. The men will have under consideration the offer of \$1,100,000 for the local plant made by the city council Monday night.

Unofficial statement from the local representatives of the company has been that it was doubtful if the Oregon-Washington Water company would accept \$1,100,000 for the plant. Elliott made a similar statement when here on his last visit. However, the belief persists that before 4 p. m. tomorrow, March 28, when the council's offer expires, the water company will have accepted the proposal.

Council's Offer is Decried
It is thought by the council that the figure of \$1,100,000 is approximately the company's investment here, less depreciation, since the purchase of the plant in 1926.

If Elliott accepts the proposal a contract must be drawn embodying details not included in the resolution of the council. That resolution provides as a part of the deal that the city withdraw its pending appeal of the May 16, 1930, charter amendment from the supreme court. The water company is to proceed with the city's agreement to reimburse the company for its added expenditures at their actual cost.

'Cat's Pajamas' Have Value But Writ is Denied

NEW YORK, March 26.—(AP)—The expression "cat's pajamas," in the opinion of Federal Judge Coleman, has a trade value. However, he denied a preliminary injunction to the Kais Underwear company to restrain "Kats" Pajama Inc., from use of its corporate name. The underwear company claimed sole right to use the phrase, having used it as a trade name since 1924, whereas "Kats" Pajamas, Inc., began using it last January.

One of Jobless Shot; May Die

MONTREAL, March 26.—(AP)—The march of a jobless mob demanding dismissal of foreign workers ended today in probably fatal injuries to Rene Cartier, 23. He was shot by the superintendent of a building supply company whose doors the crowd was storming.

Freddie Steele Beats Ferguson

TACOMA, March 26.—(AP)—Freddie Steele, young Tacoma welterweight, won a decision over Neils Ferguson, Calgary, in six rounds here tonight. Steele scored a four count knockdown in the first round and landed the harder and cleaner punches practically all through the contest.

WHEAT NATIONS FIGHT BALKANS BOYCOTT PLANS

Weapon Held in Threat to Abrogate Existing Treaties

European Side of Question To be Told Today, Expected

ROME, March 26.—(AP)—"Bread baskets of the world" battled this afternoon against a proposed European boycott on imported wheat.

Presenting a united front against the boycott proposal, made in an executive committee of the world wheat conference yesterday, delegates of Canada, South Africa, India and Australia and two representatives of United States wheat growers, decided today to oppose strenuously any agreement by European countries, for special tariffs which would militate against overseas exporters.

The delegates agreed to hold over the heads of the Balkan countries the threat that, if they joined the boycott, pressure would be used to secure the abrogation of existing most favored nation treaties giving privileges to those countries.

The Europeans expected to present their views at tomorrow's meeting with Rumanian minister of agriculture Madgeara leading the opposition.

In his address to the conference this morning Premier Mussolini said the world wheat surplus was largely due to the fact people adopting higher standards of living, were eating less bread.

PROTEST LIMITING OF MEDICAL MEANS

BALTIMORE, March 26.—(AP)—A protest against federal and state laws limiting the rights of physicians to prescribe drugs and remedial measures was voted today by the American College of Physicians.

A resolution embodying the protest was approved with but one dissenting vote at the business session of the annual convention. Members said their understanding was federal and state prohibition and narcotic laws were aimed at, though the resolution was in general terms.

The resolution was introduced by Dr. Alfred Stenkel, chairman of the resolutions committee, which gave its unanimous approval.

The resolution recommended "that every legitimate effort be made to impress upon the members of congress the importance of medical treatments of disease by properly licensed physicians should be granted, and that they should not be penalized on account of the misuse of medical methods by a very small percentage of so-called medical and non-medical men."

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DEPOSIT ON LINEN STOCK TO BE MADE

Progress Toward Financing and Liquidating Debt is Reported Here

Pending reorganization of the Oregon Linen Mill company here will move a step nearer completion today, when a \$10,000 deposit is to be made in escrow here as an indication of good faith on the part of F. J. Gilbraith and his associates who are forming the Salem Linen Mills to take over the Oregon Linen Mill plant here.

Gilbraith, with John B. Meek of Portland, are virtually assured that they can produce the remaining \$70,000 when directors of the present company have removed \$53,000 of unfunded debt now outstanding against the corporation.

Deposits of preferred stock in the Oregon Linen Mill company had reached a total of 64 per cent of the total issue up to last night. Stockholders covenant when the agreement that they will exchange their holdings on a basis of one-for-four shares of the new company's stock for the old firm's issue.

Progress Made in Liquidating Debt
Representatives of the Oregon Linen Mills have made some progress in liquidating the outstanding debt, it was stated yesterday. Nearly \$20,000 of the debt is said to be covered by the sale or exchange of the company's bonds for the unfunded liabilities.

The corporation has sufficient authorized but unissued bonds to take up the residue of debt.

Gilbraith said yesterday he was hopeful the situation could be cleaned up shortly so the mill could be operated. He said his associates and himself were receiving marked encouragement from Portland investors. Gilbraith said he already had lined up a \$30,000 order for the local mill, provided the reorganization could be effected and the operation of the mill resumed.

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Young Editor who was to Sway Policies in new Territory Awaited Publication Date; Great Changes Have Ensued

IT is 1851. Tomorrow will be March 28. Asahel Bush, new in Oregon territory, is a nervous young man. Tomorrow his first paper, The Oregon Statesman, is to be born. Courageously he sees to it that under the masthead appears the slogan he is to preserve in the paper's succeeding years: "No favor sways us, no fear shall awe."

A long distance into pioneer land, has come this Massachusetts youth. He recalls that a year ago he had been at Westfield, editor of a weekly there. What an interesting the last 12 months has brought! The trip through Panama. The arrival in Oregon. The journey up the Willamette to Oregon City where the tiny territorial government was conducted in business. The delay of the press and printing outfit. Its arrival, too late to be in the field before that Whig Oregonian.

Never mind. The democrats will speak tomorrow. Treachery, "arous" reads major article on the galley. If Bush hasn't written it, he's approved it.

Expectation. Dreams. The thrill of development. A new empire to be built. Tomorrow. And in the days to come. "Think, young Bush: 'Tomorrow... The Statesman.'"

It is 1931. New faces. A new city. An automatic printer pounds out news gathered today from Russia to Portland. Typewriters clicking are reporting auto accidents. The first section of an anniversary number of The (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

REMOVAL OF LIGHT CHIEF CAUSES ROW

SEATTLE, March 26.—(AP)—Blow and counter attack followed fast today in the controversy between Mayor Frank Edwards and elements angered by his removal 17 days ago of J. D. Ross as city light chief.

Two hours after George W. Roberts, secretary of the board of public works, had assumed charge of the city light department through a special rule passed by the board yesterday to fix existing conditions, he was ousted by a temporary restraining order issued by Superior Judge William Steiner at the request of H. E. Nelson, business man and taxpayer.

"I have no axe to grind," Nelson said. "I have acted because I felt it was my duty. In my opinion, a better man has been done Mr. Ross and I can't understand why the mayor should try to remove him."

City authorities were ordered to show cause Monday before Judge Steiner why the temporary order should not be made permanent.

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URGE FREEDOM OR DEATH FOR 2 DEFENDANTS

Bowles and Miss Loucks to Prefer Gallows Rather Than Life Terms

Officers' Notoriety Aims Cause Manufacture of Evidence, Claim

HILLSBORO, Ore., March 26.—(AP)—Freedom or death on the gallows of Oregon state prison, rather than life in the penitentiary—that was the plea of attorneys for a young millionaire and his former secretary as concluding arguments to the jury were heard in the Bowles murder trial here today.

Slightly, unflinching, with eyes narrowed and jaws clenched, Nelson C. Bowles, young capitalist of Portland, sat beside the girl, Miss Irma Loucks, jointly accused with him of murdering his wife.

Occasionally Miss Loucks' eyes narrowed or she smiled disparagingly as the district attorney thundered his arguments at the jury and shook an accusing finger at the defendants.

A knifeblade pierced the heart of Mrs. Leone Bowles, 33, prominent socially, last November 13 when she was in the Bowles apartment to discuss the tragic situation in which they found themselves. State Unfolds Surprise Theory

The defense contends the woman took her own life when the full realization of her husband's association with his former secretary swept over her.

The state has declared it was murder, and in an argument today that surprised the crowded courtroom by its directness Lotus Loucks, Bowles' former secretary, outlined the state's theory, hitherto unrevealed in its entirety.

"One of these persons—" and his hand indicated the defendants—"one of these persons held the woman while the other used the knife!"

"One theory is that Bowles used the knife!"

And Langley proceeded to explain (Turn to page 2, col. 3)

SEMINOLE SCREECH ACCOMPANIES VOWS

MIAMI, Fla., March 26.—(AP)—While Seminole tribesmen chanted the weird moanings and cries of the "screech" and "buffalo" ceremonial dances, Tholomeo, a young Seminole, held a quarter maiden, and Henry Cowles, stalwart brave of the tribe, pledged solemn vows of matrimony here today.

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Easter Egg Hunt Not to be Held

The Salem Lions club will not hold an Easter egg hunt this year as it has done for the past several years. The reasons given by the club members for discontinuing the event are the objection presented by the city government, the association and the lack of time to devote to the affair. It is not known whether any other organization will take up the work or not.

New Use Found For Soda Water

TULSA, Okla., March 26.—(AP)—Freezing a fire to death with soda water, as the flames, driven by a 100-mile an hour gale, lurk back at the fabric of an airplane 11,000 feet above the earth, is a possibility of the near future revealed by exhibits in connection with the third annual national airport conference in session here.

Labor Control Still in Peril

LONDON, March 26.—(AP)—Confusion in British party politics, carrying with it a possible threat to the life of the British government, is to continue at least until after the Easter holidays.

Open House at Press Room

The Statesman will be operating its big Scott rotary press today, running off its 80th anniversary edition.

We will be pleased to have the public drop in and view this press in operation. It will be running in the morning and again in mid-afternoon. Call either at the office on Commercial street or at the press room entrance to pressroom.

Ruth McCormick Engaged, Rumor

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., March 26.—(AP)—A renewal of a friendship formed while they were serving in congress led to reports today that Mrs. Ruth Hanna McCormick, former Illinois Congresswoman, and Albert Simms, former representative of New Mexico, were engaged to be married.