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THE WEATHER
Showers Saturday, clearing Sunday; temperatures below normal; Max. Temp. Friday 53, Min. 37, rain 3.8, river 5 feet, south wind.

EIGHTY-FIRST YEAR

MURDER TRIAL CLIMAX NEARS AT HILLSBORO

Final State Plea Started By Mowry; Says Much "Rubbish" in Case

Poetry Quoted in Defense Pleas Lasting Through Early Part of Day

HILLSBORO, Ore., March 27.—(AP)—Delivery of the state's final answer to charges and arguments of the defense in the Bowles-Loucks murder trial was begun today by Prosecutor George Mowry.

Mowry's talk to the jury followed those given by William G. Hare and Judge Wallace McCamant who delivered the state's case in behalf of Nelson C. Bowles, Portland millionaire, and Irma G. Loucks, his admitted paramour, accused of stabbing to death Mrs. Leone Bowles in Miss Loucks' Portland apartment last November 13.

Bowles and Miss Loucks have admitted they were in the apartment at the time but said Mrs. Bowles killed herself because of her husband's unfaithfulness.

A lot of things which he did not understand were brought into the case by arguments of defense counsel, Mowry told the jury, and he said he was determined to "get the rubbish out of the road before I begin to talk about the case."

Recalls Failure To Describe Wound
The prosecutor said he still was unable to understand why Bowles had not told Dr. Paul B. Cooper the nature of Mrs. Bowles' injury when he called the physician to the apartment after the bread knife had pierced his wife's breast. Such information, Mowry declared, would have enabled Dr. Cooper to bring with him the proper medical and surgical equipment.

Mowry pointed out stains in the kitchen of the apartment, which the defense declared were planted as evidence, had nothing to do with the case and that the state had introduced no evidence about them. They were referred to only in defense testimony, he said.

He charged the defense had introduced "trick" photographs to show Mr. and Mrs. George F. Stevenson could not see the things they testified for the state they had seen from their front window.

The Stevensons, whose home is just north of the apartment in which Mrs. Bowles died, testified they saw two men leave the apartment with a woman's coat and hat. This contradicted testimony given by Dr. Cooper and other relatives to removal of Mrs. Bowles' effects. Mowry spent considerable time discussing the photograph and the location of the Stevenson home.

Argument to End About Noon Today
The prosecutor is expected to complete his arguments by Saturday noon. Circuit Judge George R. Hagley, presiding, announced (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

Born Here Five Years Before The First Statesman Appeared



Mrs. Malinda J. Wade, shown here with her grandson, Murray Wade, Jr., is probably the oldest person now living who was born in Marion county if not in Oregon. She celebrated her 85th birthday last St. Valentine's day having been born February 14, 1846, on a pioneer farm near Salem. Her parents, George and Millie Stephenson Neal, came across the plains in the famed wagon train of 1844 which included six Neal brothers who settled in this county, as well as the ancestors of such well known families as the Mintos, Scotts, Dolphs, McMahanas, Holmans and Gilberts. Malinda Neal was married in 1869 to W. Lincoln Wade, a pioneer merchant, and had resided in her present home on North Liberty street for the last sixty years.

WITNESS SAYS HE PURSUED PHANTOM

Unusual Turn Taken in Leo Brothers Trial; Seven Identify Fugitive

CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING, Chicago, March 27.—(AP)—The Leo Brothers murder trial took an unexpected fantastic turn today when a South Park police officer, stationed near the place Lingie was assassinated, testified that at the time he was chasing the supposed slayer of Lingie, he was following a "vision."

Anthony Ruffy, former traffic officer now attached to the state's attorney's office, told a hushed courtroom that he had had "visions" ever since he suffered a head injury in 1924 and that they took the form of "everybody in general" from the good Lord down.

"The 'vision' he had on the day Lingie was murdered, the officer said, was of another policeman who seemed to have been killed. A man crossed in front of his station at Randolph and Michigan streets and he ran after him on the street shouting 'Catch that man,' but all the time his 'vision' was right in front of him, Ruffy said.

Defense attorneys had indicated they intended to call Ruffy later because of his identification (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

CHICAGO OFFICERS GRILL FRED BURKE

Assumes Apathetic Attitude When Questioned About Gangster Activity

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., March 27.—(AP)—Seven Chicago officers today grilled Fred Burke, regarded as the country's most dangerous criminal, only to learn he considered Chicago a "nice town" and had visited it frequently but refused to do so again except through extradition.

Seven Chicago gangsters on St. Valentine's day, 1929, and mowing them down with a stream of machine gun fire, assumed an attitude of cool apathy. He admitted his identity but refused to answer questions about a dozen slayings.

Harry Ditchburne, assistant state's attorney investigating at St. Valentine's slaughter, abandoned an announced intention of further questioning the prisoner to (Turn to page 2, col. 7)

RIDE ON TOP OF STAGE IS FATAL

EUGENE, Ore., March 27.—(AP)—A man identified as Roy Adam Wilson, probably of Chambersburg, Penn., was killed here today while stealing a ride on top of a soundhound Pacific Greyhound stage.

The stage sped under an overhead crossing and Wilson's head was crushed against the timbers of the bridge. Investigators said they believed Wilson was arranging baggage on top of the stage and failed to see the bridge.

A card found in his clothing gave his address as 663 Pleasant street, Eugene. Another card was from the University of Oregon medical school clinic and officials there gave the name of Mrs. Ella Poe, Los Angeles, as an aunt of Wilson.

The driver of the stage said he heard a strange noise on top and when he stopped to investigate he found Wilson dead.

Dramatic Goal Wins For Lions
SEATTLE, March 27.—(AP)—Scoring a dramatic goal three seconds before the end of the game, Frank Jerwa, speedy center, broke a tie to give the Vancouver Lions a 2 to 1 victory over Seattle here tonight and sent the Canadians into a two to one lead in the Pacific Coast Hockey league championship series.

Statesman Display
You are cordially invited to view the window display of The Statesman at the H. I. Stiff Furniture company window today. Old files of the paper are shown, including No. 1, Vol. 1, the first issue printed at Oregon City.

AGRICULTURAL OUTLOOK EYED AT BIG DINNER

Support Pledged for State Department Created By Legislature

Prominent men From Many Corners of State Talk At Banquet Here

"What we did do, what we can do, what we will do for Oregon agriculture" was the theme of the banquet and future needs. 300 people from all parts of the state which was held at the Marion hotel last night.

Pledging support for the newly created department of agriculture, various speakers told of past accomplishments and future needs. O. M. Plummer as toastmaster, introduced Governor and Mrs. Julius L. Meier and representatives of the various interests of the state.

List of Speakers Is Lengthy One
Speakers included H. E. Cully, chairman of the agricultural committee of the Oregon state chamber of commerce; Dr. W. J. Kerr, president of Oregon State college; Charles C. Hulot, master of the state grange; W. A. Schoenfeld, western representative of the federal farm board; Irving Vinins, past president of the state chamber of commerce; Marshal N. Dana, associate editor of the Oregon Journal; Mrs. Sam Jackson of the Oregon Journal; Glenn E. Marsh of Hood River representing the horticultural interests of the state; Herman Oliver of John Day, representing the livestock interests; A. E. Engbreitson of Astoria, representing the dairymen; Fred Cockell of Milwaukie, representing the poultrymen; Burt Brown, Banker vice-president of the University of Oregon; Eugene Courtney, chairman of the agricultural committee of the Oregon Bankers' association, and A. M. Wright, vice-president of the United States National bank of Portland.

Support was furnished by the Chambersburg string trio, composed of Professor Ruthyn Turney, Mrs. Gertrude Tarney and Alex Melovidoff.

KINGSLEY HANGING DELAYED BY ORDER

Chief Justice Bean of the state supreme court Friday signed a certificate of probable cause in the case of John Kingsley, who was under sentence to be hanged in the state penitentiary here next Friday for the murder of Sam Prescott, Ashland police officer.

This automatically stays Kingsley's execution and makes it possible for him to perfect his appeal to the supreme court.

Attorneys E. E. Kelley and T. J. Enright of Medford appeared before Chief Justice Bean in behalf of Kingsley. The stay of execution was opposed by George Chodding, district attorney of Jackson county.

The usual number of invitations had been issued and all arrangements had been completed for the execution.

Kingsley was alleged to have shot and killed Prescott, when the officer attempted to question him regarding a stolen automobile.

80th Anniversary Edition

The Oregon Statesman presents this morning its 80th Anniversary Edition. There are four sections, the regular news section and three tabloid sections filled with historical matter.

Our endeavor has been to give a panoramic view of the past eight decades, as covered by The Statesman in its regular publication of that period. There are numerous historical articles of merit from persons well informed on the subjects they write about. There are illustrations which go far back in Salem's album. Then there are "thumb-nail" pictures, gleaned from the back files of this newspaper. These extracts in the language of the day they were first printed, give a truer picture of the past than any which could be written today. Some quaint, some droll, some stirring, they breathe the air of the news of yesterday. The chronology too will give one an idea of the subjects which The Statesman had for news material in the past 79 years.

Every effort has been made to preserve historical accuracy. Perhaps some errors have come in, for which we crave indulgence.

The Statesman acknowledges deep obligations to all those who have assisted in the preparation of articles or supplying of material for this issue. Without their help it would have been impossible for our staff in the time available to assemble all the matter which is herein offered.

The publishers wish also to express sincere appreciation to the great multitude who in the present and in the years past, have by their subscriptions, their advertising or their job printing, supplied the plant with those "sinews of war" which a newspaper requires for its survival.

GANDHI VINDICATED IN ALL PRINCIPLES UNBALANCED VET KILLS BEST PAL

Will Carry Full Support of Indian Congress Into Round Table Meet

KARACHI, India, March 27.—(AP)—Vindicated in all his principles, Mahatma Gandhi is certain to carry everything before him at the present all-India national congress and go to the second round table conference in London with the undivided strength of the convention and India's millions behind him.

The congress working committee, which corresponds to the platform committee of an American political convention, passed resolutions today ratifying Gandhi's truce with Viceroy Irwin and designating him as the chief nationalist plenipotentiary at London.

That Gandhi will win almost complete unanimity at the convention and emerge as a greater figure than ever before was further assured by the dramatic elevation hour capitulation of Subhas Bose, leader of the revolutionary party, who instructed his followers to support India's ascetic leader in the interests of national unity.

It was from this group, which advocates violence in achieving (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

Shell Shocked man Shoots Without Cause; Victim Asks Mercy for him

ELY, Nev., March 27.—(AP)—George Pollock, World war veteran, died in a hospital at McGill, near here, tonight from gunshot wounds after pleading for mercy for Henry Bennett, a buddy during the war, who a few hours earlier was said to have fired the fatal shot.

Bennett is in the county jail, his mind apparently blank, the result of shell shock during the war and sheriff's officers say he is unable to think or talk coherently and does not know he has killed his best friend.

The shooting is said to have occurred when Pollock and Harrison Bambrick stopped at the Bennett ranch, 20 miles north of McGill for a visit.

An hour later the pair rose to depart. A moment later Bennett appeared with a rifle and, according to Mrs. Bennett, said: "George, you are going to dance to my tune now." He fired as he spoke, and Pollock, shot through the abdomen, grabbed his friend and with the aid of Mrs. Bennett disarmed him.

Brennan Placed On Health Board To Succeed Phy

Dr. Joseph P. Brennan of Pendleton Friday was appointed by Governor Meier a member of the state board of health to succeed the late Dr. W. T. Phy of Hot Lake.

Dr. Brennan is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and the Rush Medical school of Chicago. He has been practicing in Pendleton for eight years.

Dr. Brennan is active in the American Legion, and in 1930 served as president of the Eastern Oregon Medical association.

Company to Accept City's Price Offer Elliott Announces

'MILLION DOLLAR' HIGHWAY TO OPEN

To Be Ready in two Weeks Barring Difficulties Says Roadmaster

The "million dollar highway" at Lake Labish will be open for traffic in another two weeks, barring unforeseen difficulties, Roadmaster Frank Johnson reported yesterday.

A crew has been working on the fill the past week, patching up damage done last fall when the ground started creeping under the fill just when the work was being finished. There is another week's work on this, but there is hope now that there will be no last minute creeping.

It has been necessary to raise the fill all the way from a foot to two and a half feet in places along a 300-foot stretch. About 300 feet of the fill remained all right.

Availability Of Heavy Rains
A crew is ready to start pouring tar on the bridge as soon as it quits raining and another crew of four are waiting cessation of rain to put about 100 gallons of paint on the 85 spans, each 20 feet long.

All this should be finished and the highway ready for use in another two weeks, Johnson says.

CLASH ON STEAMER ATTRACTS FEDERALS

SAN FRANCISCO, March 27.—(AP)—At the request of the San Francisco police department the federal government today took a hand in the domestic clash of Robert Farley Francis and his wife, Mrs. Lois Francis, aboard the Hester Sierra, Department of justice agents today began an investigation of the wife's claims she had been assaulted by her husband on the high seas.

Francis was arrested Thursday, when the Sierra docked here, on a radio warrant from Honolulu which charged him with the illegal removal of \$8000 worth of diamonds from Hawaii. He is being held as a fugitive from justice in Hawaii. He was arrested at sea and held in the ship's brig after his wife appealed to ship's officers for protection and claimed he assaulted her.

LOS ANGELES, March 27.—(AP)—Daisy DeBoe today, after four unsuccessful attempts, won a right to at least temporary freedom on \$5,000 bail.

Presiding Justice Nathaniel Conroy, district court of appeal, gave the order for release of the former secretary of Clara Bow on bail, after the fifth petition of her attorneys for rehearing of habeas corpus plea.

The rehearing was set for next Tuesday. She is serving an eight-month sentence at the county jail on charges of grand larceny made against her by Clara Bow and upon which she was convicted.

Late Sports

SAN FRANCISCO, March 27.—(AP)—Meyer Grace of Chicago and Battling Dosier, negro welterweight of Wichita, Kan., fought 10 flashy rounds to a draw here tonight.

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., March 27.—(AP)—Speedy Dado, Los Angeles Filipino flyweight, hammered out a victory by a wide margin tonight over George Mendo, of Juarez, Mexico, who was unable to take a single one of the 10 rounds.

ST. LOUIS, March 27.—(AP)—Pat O'Shocker, red-headed Irishman from Salt Lake City, tossed George Manly, Brooklyn heavyweight grappler, in 25 minutes 45 seconds here tonight with a crotch hold and slam. The bout was a wild affair, Manly being pitched head-first from the ring twice.

Details of Contract to Be Smoothed out Today

Chief of Water Firm Goes Into a Huddle With Officials

The Oregon-Washing Water Service company will accept the city council's offer of \$1,100,000 for the plant here, provided a satisfactory contract can be agreed upon between the two parties. E. C. Elliott, president of the company, brought this word to Salem yesterday when he arrived from San Francisco, bringing with him a tentative contract by which the transfer can be worked out.

Elliott's acceptance of the offer will be in the hands of Mayor Gregory and City Recorder Paulsen by 4 p. m. today, this meeting the time limit set by the city council Monday night when it passed a resolution authorizing the offer.

Holds Conference With Officials
Within an hour after his arrival here Elliott was in conference with Mayor Gregory, City Attorney Trindle and Aldermen Purvina, Kowitz and Patton, members of the utility committee of the council, Attorneys Keyes and Adams, the latter from San Francisco, set in to represent the water company in a legal capacity.

The conference went over in detail the proposed contract between the city and the water company. In essence the contract follows the resolution of the city council. It provides for city acquisition as of February 1, 1931, in addition with the present company continuing operation, and accepting profits or losses, from that period until the property is actually turned over to the city.

Council Required To Withdraw Appeal
The council is bound under the proposed contract to withdraw the appeal of the May 16, 1930, charter amendment, from the supreme court. In consideration of this, the water company agrees to be in possession of the plant here, as of February 1, 1931, in addition with the present company continuing operation, and accepting profits or losses, from that period until the property is actually turned over to the city.

The contract provides that the authority for the entire deal is to be gained through submitting the (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

WINTER ONCE MORE WEST COAST GUEST

SAN FRANCISCO, March 27.—(AP)—To put the finishing touches on the job he's worked at half heartedly for the last few months, winter came back to the Pacific coast today with his bit of snow and ice.

He'll move on again, probably by Sunday, United States weather observers, who keep close track of his movements, predicted.

The cold old fellow scattered snow over the Pacific northwest, sprinkled rains as far south as the San Francisco bay area, and sent the mercury scuttling down in southern California. He nipped at fruit buds and blossoms which thought winter had gone into his annual hibernation—away from the apricot trees of Yakima valley in Washington to the citrus groves of Imperial valley in extreme southern California.

A cold wave coming off the continent joined by rainy disturbance blowing in from the ocean conspired to invite winter back for a few more days of work. C. R. Reed, federal weatherman, explained.

Some damage was reported from his unexpected return. In most sections orchardists and ranchers welcomed the added precipitation, although weather bureau records showed it was generally of no considerable quantity.

Oregon Briefs

WOUNDED LAD DIES
PORTLAND, Ore., March 27.—(AP)—Billy Fine, 12-year-old Portland schoolboy, shot accidentally here today.

Fine had gone to the home of Dea Davenport, 12, during the noon recess. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh A. Davenport were not at home and Dea volunteered to show Billy his father's old .45 calibre army pistol. In handling the weapon he discharged it and the slug passed completely through Fine's body into the wall behind him.

SEEN TO ENTER CAR KLAMATH FALLS
OREGON, March 27.—(AP)—Irene Adkins, 16, was reported missing from her home here today. She was said to have left town with an older girl and the two were reported to have entered an automobile driven by an unidentified man on the Ashland-Klamath Falls highway.

REPORT IS DENIED
PORTLAND, Ore., March 27.—(AP)—Cleva Montgomery, 22-year-old Wallawa county cattleman, who was reported shot and killed during an argument over cattle early this week, is alive and well at Anaton, Wash., his sister, Elaine Montgomery, Portland, said today.

Miss Montgomery's information came from Harley Tucker, another rancher, who investigated the report at her request.

PORTLAND MOVE FAILS
WASHINGTON, March 27.—(AP)—The interstate commerce commission today dismissed the petition of the Portland, Oregon, traffic and transportation association for lowering of combination rail and water rates from

"Unloaded" gun is Fatal Klamath Girl is Missing Cattleman Wasn't Killed Coastal Rate cut Denied

California points to northwestern points via Portland.
The Portland organization in an action against the Bay Cities Transportation company, a steamship line and various rail-water rates from California points to inland points in Oregon, Washington and Idaho, were predicted to Portland shippers. Compared with combination rates on goods shipped to Portland by water, stored there and re-shipped.

DAIRY SHOW SET
PORTLAND, Ore., March 27.—(AP)—Representatives of Oregon dairy interests decided here today to hold the annual Oregon dairy products show in Portland June 8 to 13, inclusive.

EX-JANITOR HELD
KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., March 27.—(AP)—Dave Robertson, a former janitor in the local American Legion building, was arrested in connection with an attempted robbery of a grocery and a hardware store here today.

ROSS OPTIMISTIC
ONTARIO, Ore., March 27.—(AP)—Prosperity will return soon, particularly in the western part of the country, Governor C. Ben Ross of Idaho told a gathering of ranchers here last night. He advised the ranchers not to get discouraged and quit farming.

"We know that it requires one acre of farm land to support one person," the governor continued in his discussion of how to speed the return of prosperity. "If we want to assure ourselves of a market in the west for the products of the west, we ranchers must buy the manufactured products of the west."

They Have Watched Salem Grow



These women have enjoyed seeing Salem grow. On March 28, 1930, they joined with Mrs. Abigail Hatch Farrar in celebrating her 80th birthday anniversary at John Farrar's home here. From the left: Mrs. W. B. Bell, N. Commercial St.; Mrs. Ida Babcock, N. Commercial St.; Mrs. Abigail Hatch Farrar, 265 N. Liberty St.; Mrs. Ruth E. Sayre, Cheshamoketa St.; Mrs. M. N. Chapman, N. Church St.; Mrs. Mary Haas, N. Front St.

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