

# SALEM TURNED GRAY BY CLOUD

Storm is Unique Here say Old Timers; Telephone Service Disrupted

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dar accumulations of months to sift into business houses and to begrime pedestrians. Willson park showed the effects of the gale with its green carpet of lawn strewn with the branches of trees in the park. There were no fatalities reported at the police station or hospitals and damage to property was nominal.

An April sun tried vainly to peek through the dust. At times Sol appeared a dim orange color while later in the day the sun had a dim violet color.

Visibility was sharply reduced in the city, surrounding hillsides being entirely obscured by the dust clouds. Lights went on in schools and homes and business houses as though the day was mid-winter. Frenzied citizens, commented on that the shroud of dust and darkness apparently "indicated the end of the world."

Letuce, onion plants uprooted. Loose soil in the Lake Labish district yielded its possessions to the wind, and lettuce and onion plants were literally lifted out of the ground by the gale.

Old-timers in Salem scratched their heads yesterday and tried to recall a parallel in storm history for the dust invasion which reached here Wednesday but no precedent for the gale of dirt could be recalled.

"I recall a terrific storm in January, 1880," said A. N. Moore. "However it was a wind storm alone and there was no dirt accompanying it."

Hal Patton recalled the same storm and told how, as a lad of eight, he was forced to pull himself along by the pickets on a fence in order to get home after being released from school. "There was a much stronger wind then than today," said Patton. "My father was in Portland that day and said he saw several steeples of churches blown down. A wide swath of big trees was blown down between here and Portland."

## Chicken Thief Is Busy Again

B. O. Larkins reported yesterday to the sheriff that 17 Plymouth Rock chickens were stolen from his ranch Tuesday night. This is the first theft of chickens reported to the sheriff in several weeks. Larkins' ranch is two miles east of the Parrish school here.

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## HE SHIPPED AS CARGO



Louis Chamess, who arrived from France on the liner Lafayette, where he had secreted himself with the assistance of a carpenter, in a case which he had labelled hats and consigned as part of a cargo to a New York department store, is shown above as he appeared when he crawled forth from his voluntary cage. His dreams of entering the United States via the "hat case route" are shattered as he must return to his native France.

## MEIER DENIES HE WOULD PROBE KAY

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from the state. At the same time he issued a general statement to institution heads and to other state officials that the practice of giving or receiving gifts, paid for by the taxpayers, must cease.

"I find," read Governor Meier's letter, "that during the legislative session a box of apples was sent to the executive department, along with similar boxes of apples sent to other state officials and the press. The apples were accepted in accordance with similar practices in the past. I had no knowledge of the source from which the fruit came and did not participate in its use."

Ducks' Source  
"Early in my administration, Henry Meyers, superintendent of the prison, sent me several ducks. I was, at that time, more or less unfamiliar with state affairs, and did not know that the state maintained a duck pond or that ducks or private were dressed at state expense. I assumed that they came from a private source, and accepted them as a personal gift."

"The only other donation that came from a state source, I have been told, is a box which contained eight heads of broccoli. Previous to its receipt I had received broccoli from a personal friend at Roseburg. I find, now, that it came from the soldiers home at Roseburg, and that other state officials received similar donations."

"Comments have been made about the fact that my car was washed at the state penitentiary. My driver was directed to pay for this service. I understand, he did so, although it has never developed credited to the prison funds."

"As a result of the recent penitentiary hearings, I have learned that it has been a common practice on the part of some or all heads of institutions supported by the state of Oregon to distribute to state officials products and articles raised or manufactured at state expense."

"These products and articles are paid for by the taxpayers and consequently are the property of the state of Oregon. Institution heads should exercise over them as strict a stewardship and demand as careful an accounting as if they were operating their own business."

"As chairman of the board of control, I want to say that during my administration I will not countenance practices of this sort which have apparently been prevalent in the past with the knowledge and consent of the board of control, an at the expense of the taxpayers."

Helena Lindeman died at the residence near Shaw April 21, age 77; mother of Mrs. Helen Wageman and Mrs. Charles Nanneman, both of Shaw, Mrs. Mary Wageman of Lincoln, Nebr., Mrs. Maggie Wageman of Chicago, Ill., Theodore of Cedar Rapids, Ia., Harry of Chadron, Neb., George of South Dakota, Edward of Ione, Conrad of Kalama, Wash. Funeral services Saturday, April 25, at 9:30 a.m. from the Shaw Catholic church. Interment Shaw cemetery, under direction of W. T. Rigdon and Son.

Olaf Stenvaag died in this city April 22, age 45 years. Survived by wife and two children of Astoria. Notice of funeral later by the Clough-Barrick company.

Kahler, died in this city April 21. Survived by one sister and two nieces in New York. Announcement of funeral later by the Clough-Barrick company.

Savage  
Elliot M. Savage died at the residence, route 9, box 151, Salem, April 21, age 75; husband of Emma; father of Mrs. Walter L. Fuller; grandfather of John Elliot Fuller, W. Lewis Fuller, Elynor Fuller and Claritta Fuller; uncle of Ethel Fletcher, all of Salem. Funeral services Friday, April 24, at 2 p.m. from the Clough-Barrick chapel, Rev. W. C. Kantner officiating. Graveside services at Odd Fellows cemetery by the Odd Fellows lodge.

# BLAZES RAGING DUE TO STORM

One Fatality is Reported Due to Storm; Runs Length of State

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house at the edge of Grant lake national forest was reported taking steadily into the forest tonight and another one was burning in about 25 acres of brush and timber in the Nell creek district near Ashland. Men were sent to fight both fires but they were handicapped by the high wind and unusually dry woods.

Two residences at Albany Burn  
Two residences were destroyed by fire, originating in defective flues at Albany, while at The Dalton one residence was burned and a large wheat warehouse was demolished by the wind.

At Klamath Falls the wind uprooted the fairgrounds grandstand, tore off automobile tops and uprooted trees.

Traffic on the Wapinitia cut-off was stopped last night by falling trees. Seven miles beyond Government Camp about 100 trees were strewn across the highway within the space of one-quarter mile. About three miles of telephone poles were taken out by the storm below Government Camp.

Travel on the Columbia river highway was dangerous.

## Firemen Out 22 Times to Quell Flame

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North Salem and East Salem departments assisted.

An interview with firemen on duty as to the cause of many of the fires revealed the following information: A fire in a garage coated on the inside with a charcoal formation which adheres to the inside of the flues coming from the smoke. Pitchy wood gives off the blackest smoke and this is saturated with the carbon composition. When a fire is in a stove or fireplace, the carbon on the walls gets intensely hot and it burns like gasoline.

When a strong wind, such as the 50-mile gale experienced by Willamette valley Tuesday night and Wednesday, blows over the top of a chimney, it causes a vacuum at the top of the chimney and the suction draws air up through the flue, the more the hot carbon substance accumulates it. The effect of this air current is the same as a blower would be—it fans the burning carbon into a white heat.

Burning Charcoal  
The burning charcoal is caught by the wind, after it is sucked into the open, and carries the burning torch to other localities which might include brush piles and house roofs. Because the roofs are as dry as tinder at the present time and many are covered with dry moss, they serve as good bon-fires when the sparks alight.

Fires in Salem recently were as follows: Tuesday, 10:30 p. m., 125 Lefelle street, chimney; Wednesday, 7:30 a. m., 2040 Warner street, R. W. Maker, roof fire, small damage; 7:50 a. m., 1130 Madison street, chimney fire; 8:55 a. m., 1515 South Commercial street, George E. Brant, roof fire in two or three spots, small loss; 9:07 a. m., 2670 North Church street (outside city limits), owned by Mr. Smith, Portland, a n o c c u p i e d, complete loss (amount undetermined), caused from sparks from the outside, firemen think.

At 9:17 a. m., 637 North Cottage street, smoke and grass; 9:20 a. m., 1115 North Winter street, chimney fire; 9:25 a. m., 1960 Broadway, roof fire, small loss; 9:45 a. m., 1145 Marion street, chimney fire; 10:09 a. m., 2115 Myrtle avenue, chimney fire; 10:10 a. m., 2407 State street, chimney fire; 11:55 a. m., South 12th street, residence, total loss, occupied but owner undetermined (outside city—no firemen did not get out); 12:15 p. m., 445 South 12th street, chimney fire; 12:35 p. m., 1595 North 5th street, chimney fire.

Due to the fact that most of the wind in this section has come from the south, those chimneys which could have caught fire because of defects in construction and settling, have done so before this time. The sudden increase in this form of fire is due to the fact that a north wind is new to this section and chimneys which can catch fire because of a north wind are beginning to do so, according to firemen.

NEWPORT MENACED  
NEWPORT, Ore., April 22. — (AP)—Fanned by a gale of unprecedented violence forest and brush fires tonight menaced the outlying sections of Newport.

# The Call Board . .

By OLIVE M. DOAK

THE GRAND  
Today — Sam Carol in "She's My Weakness."  
Friday — Richard Arlen in "The Santa Fe Trail."  
THE HOLLYWOOD  
Today — Robert Montgomery in "War Nurse."  
Friday — Warner Oland in "The Drums of Jeopardy."  
WARNER BROS. ELISNORE  
Today — Wheeler and Norma Talmadge in "DuBarry, Woman of Passion."  
WARNER BROS. CAPITOL  
Today — Betty Compson in "The Lady Refuses."

The cast of "The Lady Refuses" is surprisingly good to look upon, and clothes worn are the kind that add interest to any show.

The plot is one which always wins interest, for it is the over-debated subject of a double standard and its devastating effect upon the lives of men and women.

The acting could be better and the lines more clever, but the play offers lasting entertainment and food for thought.

John Darrow does some excellent work and evidently is one of the "rising" youth of the screen. Margaret Livingston, another actress new person to the screen, plays the part of the scheming vampire in realistic fashion and Ivan Lebedeff fairly takes one's breath with his deep speaking voice with its inimitable accent and his good looks.

Today, Norma Talmadge begins her much-talked play, "DuBarry, Woman of Passion." In this picture Miss Talmadge portrays the life and character of one of the world's most famous "sirens." The play opens at the Elsinore.

## HALF DOZEN FIRES BURNING TO NORTH

SEATTLE, Wash., April 22.— (AP)—A half dozen major forest fires in widely separated sections of Washington, fanned into action by a gale which swept the state, raged tonight while hundreds of men fought to bring them under control. With the humidity the lowest ever recorded in some sections and dropping steadily their task was made more difficult.

The town of Grandview, midway between Yakima and Pasco, narrowly escaped destruction by flames which partly destroyed four buildings there. Two deaths and several injuries were attributed to the gale which continued today.

Howard Hunt, 28, was killed in Bremerton when he jumped from a truck to retrieve his hat, blown off by the wind and fell under rear wheels of the machine. He was to have been married Saturday to Miss Helen Dorsey, Seattle.

## REDDING HAS LEAD IN STUDENT VOTES

CORVALLIS, Ore., April 22.— (AP)—Martin Redding, of Salem, was leading Milton Leishman, of Baker, by two votes in the race for president of the Oregon State college student body when about one-third of the votes had been counted late tonight.

The vote was: Redding, 205; Leishman, 203.

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# LUPER INDICTMENT DEFENDED IN BRIEF

District Attorney John Carson yesterday filed memorandums brief in the case of state against Rhea Luper, charged with larceny of public funds. The district attorney upholds the indictment, which was attacked by the defense attorney, Oscar Hayter, on grounds that the grand jury which returned it was unconstitutional.

Carson says that "Regardless of irregularity of the grand jury's tenure of office, its actions in respect to indictments are to be sustained on the theory of its de facto existence, in short, even if it were not a de jure, it was a de facto instrumentality."

The district attorney also asserts that the law providing for continuance of the grand jury is constitutional, for the legislature is not limited in its power to enact laws in regard to amending of a grand jury. Hayter averred that the law was unconstitutional inasmuch as the constitution provides that the grand jury be drawn from the whole body of jurors selected for the term at which the grand jury is drawn.

## DE MOLAY BOARD DISCUSSES PLANS

The advisory board for Chemeketa chapter of DeMolay met here yesterday afternoon. The boys' leader for the local delegation to Allice Fischer, of Albany, continued to hold a small lead over Lucille Van Loan, Likely, Cal., in the contest for the secretaryship. Miss Fischer had polled 264 votes to Miss Van Loan's 248.

Harvey Pease apparently had won the contest for the first vice-presidency. Emory Strong, of Boring, and Merle Lowden, of Clatskanie, were no far behind it was considered improbable either one could overtake Pease.

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the convales in Marshfield April 21-25 for which a large delegation of local DeMolays will leave tonight.

Members of the executive board are James O. Russell, chairman, J. Burton Cray, advisor, Walter C. Winslow, Fred A. Erickson, Ellis Von Eicken, Roy G. Hoffman, and Frank Minto, at the Spa for luncheon Wednesday and discussed plans for the chapter's welfare and progress.

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