

EIGHTY-FIRST YEAR

## FRIARS CLAIM THEY ARE NOT H. S. SOCIETY

### Hope to Stop Trouble, get Candidate Back Upon Nominees List

### New Group Advanced After Principal Cuts off All but six

Deletions from the list of first nominations for Salem high student body officers were announced yesterday by Principal Fred Wolf, but there was no resultant bombshell, for students were aware that the principal would make big cuts.

Even before the list was released, students had submitted petitions placing in the running new candidates—all of whom will be subject to the secret society clearance of the principal. The alleged frat members seemed to be taking the matter with fairly good feeling, and their names were more prominent than those of "barbarians" on the many petitions that were circulated.

Class, one society member left on.

Students pointed out, however, that there is still on the approved list one nominee whom Wolf declares is not a frat man but whom students declare to be a real good hush-hush club member.

A few students who were in the know were laughing at the rumor that the Friars, supposed to be one of the oldest secret groups at the school but now blossoming out as a "town" club, would get their candidate, John Bone, basketball player, on the ticket yet. His name has been pencilled. Bone is after job of athletic manager.

Outside of school are said to have approached Mr. Wolf and asked if Bone might run for office if the Friars proved that their is a town club and not a high school secret society. Wolf is said to have assented.

Constitution has been changed, word.

It is said the Friar constitution was changed some time ago to make it a town club, and that the high school boys belong. It is said not to mention the words high school. Members propose, it is said, to take the document before a notary public and have him swear that the organization is not one of the banned societies.

Commenting upon the reported Friar action, one prominent frat member said: "I guess we might all do that, too."

The six students left on the original list, one of them subject to further investigation, are: Esther Glibbard, vice president; Margaret Rosebraugh, secretary; Kenneth Morgan and Earle Reinwald, Clarion manager; and Mark Sechtler and Dan McCarthy, athletic manager.

More Nominating Speeches Today

Students nominated by petition are: for president: Dan McCarthy (who resigned nomination for athletic manager); Lewis McLean, Bob Bishop, Walter Mills, Jimmie Shepherd, Edgar King, Don Collins and Fred Wolf; secretary, Beth Billings; yell leader, Howard Mills and Zollie Volchok; song leader, Peggy Wagstaff; Clarion annual manager, Robert Johnson, Ingvar Hansen, Jack Poulin and Paul Hauser; forensics manager, Bob Goodfellow, Ewald Frange and James Sehon; sergeant-at-arms, Junior Lindstrom and Fred Halderson.

No candidates are in the field for Clarion annual and newspaper editor, as society members were said to be the only plausible persons for the positions.

Nominating speeches will be made at an assembly today and elections will be held Friday during the home room period.

## PEOPLE... who are news

By ALEXANDER HENDERSON (Copyright, 1931, By Associated Press)

NEW YORK, May 20—(AP)—James A. Farrell, president of the United States Steel corporation, as a steelmaker, one of the greatest in the world.

By inheritance, however, he has a profound interest in the sea. His

great grandfather organized the first line operating regularly between Holyhead and Dublin. His grandfather continued to operate the same line. Capt. John G. Farrell, father of James A., immigrated to the United States, but followed the family tradition. Before he was fifteen James A. Farrell had made two voyages with his parent, one of which carried him around Cape Horn.

With that background it is easy to see why the interest of the steelmaker in maritime affairs has no academic limitations. One of the very few remaining clipper ships, the Tusitula (Samoan for tale bearer), is operated by James A. Farrell.

Every day on the top of the pile of papers and correspondence, the perusal of which starts the day's work, is a message from the captain of that vessel of 1624 net tons reporting her position at the time, the previous day and the progress made since the previous report.

The operation of one ship does not make a shipping magnate. But as president of United States Steel, Mr. Farrell oversees the operation of thirty-one deep sea steamships as well as the company's seventy-six vessels on the great lakes. No other Farrell is associated with the steel business, but two of his sons are shipping men.

Mr. Farrell has an assiduous interest in a closely related subject—foreign trade, which impelled him to take a leading part in the organization of the national foreign trade council. Many years ago when he was in charge of the New York office of the Oliver Steel and Wire company he insisted that orders from foreign customers should be delivered promptly, an attitude which stood the company in good stead, for its mills continued busy when the domestic demand slackened.

Some fifty years ago his father started on a voyage—and never returned. No word was ever heard of master, ship or crew. The Farrell family lives then in New Haven, Conn. The boy, James, who was not yet fifteen, had "noticed a sort of stringency" in his mother's affairs. On the way to school he stopped at a wire mill and got a job grabbing hot rods with pinchers for twelve hours a day at \$2.50 a week.

At the age of 19 he moved to Pittsburgh where he became night foreman over 1,800 men.

He has been an avid reader all his life and education is his third avocation.

PLUMBERS TO MEET

BEND, Ore., May 20—(AP)—The annual convention of the Oregon state master plumbers association will be held in Bend Friday and Saturday of this week. About 150 delegates are expected.

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BAKER, Ore., May 20—(AP)—The Baker Daily Record, published as a morning paper here since March 20, suspended publication today.

Announcement was made the paper would be sold by creditors at a sheriff's sale. Claims were said to aggregate about \$20,000.

## REFERENDUM'S FRIENDS START COUNTER MOVE

### Chris Kowitz Preparing to File Friendly Appeal On Ballot Title

### Will Counteract a Possible Attack After Petition Names Gathered

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20—(AP)—Sponsors of the proposed referendum on the state police today laid plans to counteract any possible attack on the referendum at their own game.

Ed F. Averill, to whom a referendum ballot title was issued Monday, said Chris Kowitz, Salem attorney, today was preparing papers necessary to filing an appeal with the state supreme court from the title as prepared and issued by Attorney-General Van Winkle. Similar action was said to have been planned by J. J. McDonald, Salem, in an effort to halt the referendum movement.

Bring Question to Head, in Purpose

Averill said such an appeal would bring the question to a head immediately and cause the court to pass on the wording of the title. He pointed out any opponent of the referendum might take such an appeal any time within 20 days if the sponsors of the referendum did not take precautionary action.

The "friendly" appeal probably will be filed Thursday, Averill said. It may delay circulation of the petitions for a few days but the sponsors of the referendum regard it as the proper step.

If an appeal were taken by opponents of the referendum and the title as a single word were changed in the title, all signatures that might have been affixed to the petitions would be voided, Averill said.

Rebekah Assembly of Oregon Elects

CORVALLIS, Ore., May 20—(AP)—Mrs. Ethel Meldrum, Mill-waukee, was elected president of the Rebekah assembly at its meeting here today during the Odd Fellows annual grand lodge session. Mrs. Meldrum succeeded Mrs. Leona Thiel, Astoria.

Mrs. Esther Bond, Halsey, was elected to the position of warden.

Other officers elected were: Maude Rodgers, Enterprise, vice president; Ora L. Cosper, Dallas, secretary; Eda Jacobs, Portland, treasurer; Cora Heaton, Hillsboro, marshal; Grace Taylor, Mill City, conductor; Alice Taylor, Portland, chaplain; Mabel Gilbert, Bend, inside guard; Delphine Lazarus, Burns, outside guard; Lucile Harris, Freewater, musician; Leona Thiel, Astoria, reporter.

The association of Rebekah assemblies.

War Birds Ready To Demonstrate Chicago Defense

CHICAGO, May 20—(AP)—Hundreds of army war birds clustered about Chicago tonight ready to show the city and its environs what they could do if the city were threatened by a hostile army.

More than 650 planes flew in from Dayton and Cleveland, Ohio, today, most of them in formation, and there was not a serious mishap despite the soggy condition of several Chicago fields. Precautions were taken in landing, with the formations breaking up and filtering slowly to the ground.

School Building, Teacher, Pupils Lost Says Supt.

BEND, Ore., May 20—(AP)—Lost: One school building, including teacher, pupils and equipment.

That was Superintendent G. W. Ager's report to the Bend school district board today. He explained that the school had been located in a logging camp. When the camp was moved to another district recently, the school was loaded on a flat car and taken to the new location.

McNamee's Wife Asks Separation

NEW YORK, May 20—(AP)—Graham McNamee, widely known radio announcer, said today he had been served in a suit for separation by his wife, the former Josephine Garrett.

Mrs. McNamee filed the action several weeks ago, McNamee said. He added that he did not know where his wife was, but that the separation was not by mutual consent.

## Oregon Reception is Pleasing to Butler; Gets Strawberries

### Never saw Finer Ones he Observes When Meier Presents Marion County Product; His Itinerary Busy one

IT was a "dee-lighted" General Butler who received a basket of Marion county strawberries from Governor Meier late yesterday afternoon as the two met on the Pacific highway five miles north of Salem. The governor was en route to his ranch near Portland; the general was going south to Eugene, with George Joseph, Jr., Luke May, Seattle, and Major Dutton accompanying him.

## BUSINESS WOMEN'S CONVENTION LOOMS

### 400 Delegates to Attend; Entertainment Plans Are Made Locally

Plans are complete for the tenth annual convention of the Oregon Federation of Business and Professional Women's clubs for which Salem will be hostess Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Approximately 400 women from the 22 clubs of the state are expected to attend and at least two national officers will be present. Miss Julia K. Webster of Salem is chairman of the local committee. Mrs. Martha Gasch, president of the state organization will preside. "Know Your Oregon" Luncheon Feature

A feature of the convention will be the "Know Your Oregon" luncheon on Saturday when each of the clubs will give a short stunt advertising the resources of the community in which the club is located. One of the major activities of the Forward section of the Dalles is chairman, has been the acquainting of club members with the resources of Oregon. Miss Sexton will preside at the luncheon on Saturday which is planned to be a climax for the year's activities of her committee.

The convention will open with two luncheons on Friday, one for members of the executive board and another for convention members and delegates. Following these the business session will convene at the Salem chamber of commerce rooms and from then on the program will be a full one.

The last event will be the Emblem brooch at Hazel Green park on Sunday morning when the two new clubs, Hood River and Heppner, will be received into the state federation. Dr. W. C. Kantner of Salem will deliver the morning address.

## Conrad Suffers Skull Fracture Result of Crash

Further examination of John Conrad, 78, who walked into the side of the fire department's small chemical truck at corner of State and Winter streets Tuesday evening, revealed the elderly man was suffering from a bad skull fracture and a surgical operation was performed last night. At a late hour he was reported as "doing nicely" but was not fully out of danger. Dr. George R. Vehr, the attending surgeon, intimated.

Reports of the accident tended to absolve truck driver from blame for Conrad's injury. It intimated the machine was swerved and stopped in attempt to miss the man but that Conrad became confused and walked against the truck before it could be brought to a complete halt.

## Stone Age Cave Yields Body of Marine Officer

TOURS, France, May 20—(AP)—Ruins of the stone age cavern in which he perished in a futile endeavor to save the life of a peasant woman today gave up the body of Brigadier General Robert H. Dunlap of the United States marine corps.

After almost 24 hours of digging, rescue workers headed by French army engineers came upon the mangled form of the American officer who was trapped yesterday by an avalanche which engulfed the cave near Cinq Mars, where the woman and her husband made their home.

The body of Denis Briant, husband of the woman who rushed by Brigadier General Dunlap to save her as the fall of rock and stone started, was recovered also. Mme. Briant was rescued alive but badly injured.

## Turnesa's Low By Good Margin

LEEDS, England, May 20—(AP)—By equaling the record round of 69 he shot over the Sand Moor links yesterday, Joe Turnesa, American professional headed the list of 22 qualifiers today for the thousand guinea professional golf tournament.

R. E. Ballantine, British pro who also shot a 69 today, finished second to Turnesa's 138 with a 26-hole total of 141.

## Late Sports

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20—(AP)—Ira Dern, Salt Lake City heavyweight, defeated Ted Thye, Portland, two falls out of three in wrestling bout here tonight.

Dern won the first fall in 21 minutes with a double scissor toe-hold, and the third in three minutes with a cross-body hold. Thye scored his lone fall in 11 minutes with an arm bar.

WENATCHEE, Wash., May 20—(AP)—Bob Kruse, 209, Portland, threw Stanislaus Zbyzsko, 236, veteran pole, from the ring in the fifth round of a wrestling exhibition tonight and Zbyzsko was unable to return. The match was awarded to Kruse.

## CHURCH LEADER WARNS AGAINST WET CAMPAIGN

### Association Against Prohibition Seeking to Stop Funds For Enforcement

### Newspaper Dupes in Giving Liquor Side, Declared At Mission Meet

Cautioning the prohibition workers of Oregon to be on their guard against moves to wipe the law from the books, Miss Ada Townsend of Chicago, citizenship secretary of the Home Missionary society of Chicago, brought the principal message before last night's session of the annual convention of the Women's Home Missionary society of the Oregon conference. She spoke on "Brewers and Billionaires."

"Perhaps you think Oregon is safe, but it isn't forever; not as long as the association against prohibition lasts or as long as it has any hope left that the prohibition law can be nullified," Miss Townsend declared.

She charged the association against prohibition also with working to create a wet congress in order that appropriations to the prohibition might be cut off; with hoping to see in power a wet supreme court, and also in some states wet superintendents of public instruction.

She asserted that Oregon prohibitionists should be on the alert to see that more adequate instruction regarding deleterious effects of alcohol be incorporated into the school books of Oregon. She said she had checked with an educator in southern Oregon on this matter, and that textbooks are apparently lacking in this matter.

Miss Townsend devoted some time to decrying propaganda which the wet set get into the newspapers and magazines of the country, and declared that the newspapers are dupes, conscious or otherwise, of conspiracy of the dry set.

Devotions last night were conducted by Mrs. Matthew Humes of Portland and the program included also demonstrations by members from the children's, young people's and Wesleyan Guild departments, all depicting the good that is spread through the W. H. M. S.

The convention will come to a close today, with elections and reports to be the main business of the morning. Addresses and installation of officers will occupy the afternoon.

Mrs. Benjamin Young of Portland is conference president. Prizes for missionary education work were presented yesterday to Mrs. Durkheimer of Salem and Mrs. H. Peterson of Portland.

## Truckman Killed in Blast Leaves Two Notes but Officers Puzzled

HILLSBORO, Ore., May 20—(AP)—No tangible clue to the supposed murder of John Huber, 38-year-old truck driver, had been discovered tonight by police and sheriff's officers investigating his death.

Huber was killed late last night in a trucking company's garage here. One shoulder and his neck had been virtually torn away by the force of the blast. Authorities expressed the opinion the injuries could not have been self-inflicted.

A family living across the street from the garage told authorities they had heard the explosion but saw no one near the garage.

Leaves Note Saying

Police Worked

Two notes left by Huber shed little light on his death, Sheriff J. W. Connell said. One note, found in Huber's socks, said two unidentified men had followed him all day and suggested that police would know who were responsible in case anything happened to him. Another note, found in the garage and written in German, the sheriff said, read: "I hate to do this sort of thing, but I'm getting lots of money for it."

Owners of the garage said no explosives had been kept in the garage.

Authorities advanced no motive for a possible attack upon Huber.

## Question Youths As to Activities Monday Night

Six boys, between ages of 13 and 16, were before the county juvenile officers yesterday afternoon to undergo questioning as to their movements, particularly Monday night when young Walter Waterman was seriously burned when a can of gasoline was accidentally ignited.

The boys are said to be members of a neighborhood gang working in the south end of town, and it is largely to warn them against depredations that they were brought before the officers yesterday.

"We want to keep these boys from getting into serious trouble," commented Mrs. Nona White, county juvenile officer.

## Agriculture Head Opens Office, Looks for Aides

Max Gehlhar, newly appointed superintendent of the state agricultural department, has established offices in state capitol and begun the arduous duty of selecting the subalterns for his department. Yesterday he announced that he had already received 160 applications for men who would be in charge of the various divisions of the department. The agricultural department will absorb the duties of approximately 16 existing state agencies, exclusive of having jurisdiction over a large number of county inspectors.

The department will include five divisions, to be known as administration, plant industry, animal industry, foods and dairies and markets, grades and standards.

The law provides that the state dairy and food commissioner shall be retained at the head of the foods and dairies division.

Gehlhar, under the law, will be in charge of the administration department, and will appoint the four directors of the other bureaus, subject to the confirmation of Governor Meier. Mr. Gehlhar will receive an annual salary of \$5000 a year, while the salaries of the four directors shall be fixed by the board of agriculture.

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## Spring Road Work Aiding Job Outlook

WASHINGTON, May 20—(AP)—Reports for April to the labor department showed spring road construction absorbing thousands of unemployed although curtailed schedules continued in many establishments.

Meanwhile, the metals trades department of the American Federation of Labor urged local councils to seek additional members "to make use of collective action in getting wage reductions approved."

At the same time Matthew Wolf, a vice-president of the federation, said in an address before the National Association of Mutual Savings Banks that "American labor is probably in for the fight of its life."

"The demand for the cutting of wages," he said, "is a part of a campaign which is now only beginning again and which has been planned as a part of the program for the international control of capital, of manufacture, of markets, of prices—and of labor, by those who would master the world in the interests of the few."

## Clues Lacking in Hillsboro Murder

A series of articles recently had been written by Spencer for the magazine in which he named a former police officer as "the Al Capone of Los Angeles" and attempted to reveal gang activities here. In one article, Spencer said his life had been threatened and wrote that if anything happened there would be found in a safety deposit box "in a certain bank" the names of those whom he had warned against. Police began a search for the box in hope that it might reveal the identity of the slayer.

## Davis Cup Play With Canada is To Start Today

MONTREAL, May 20—(AP)—The United States and Canada will open their Davis cup battle for the final honors in the North American zone tomorrow with two young New Yorkers opposing a veteran pair of Canadians in singles.

Bernon S. Prentice, non-playing captain of the United States team, selected Frank X. Shields and Sydney B. Wood, Jr., while Alan C. Dunlop, who holds the same position on the Canadian team, selected Dr. Jack A. Wright of Toronto and Marcel Rainville of Montreal. The draw for tomorrow's two matches sends Shields against Canada's No. 1 player, Dr. Wright, and Wood against Rainville.

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## REVENGE GUNMAN KILLS 2

### Veteran News man who Gave Racket Details is Slain Along With Politician in Hollywood Office

### Good Description of Slayer Available; Safety Deposit Box may Yield Clues to Cause of Attack

LOS ANGELES, May 20—(AP)—A gunman believed by police on a mission of revenge shot and killed Herbert Spencer, veteran Los Angeles newspaperman, late Charles Crawford, real estate executive and politician, as they sat in Crawford's office on Sunset boulevard in Hollywood.

The gunman entered the office and after a conversation of about an hour's duration he shot two men and escaped in an automobile. Spencer was killed almost instantly and Crawford died three hours afterward, following an emergency operation. To the last, he refused to reveal identity of the slayer.

Spencer, for many years a police reporter here and later city editor of the Los Angeles Evening Express, was editor of a magazine which had campaigned vigorously against a gang accused by the publication of vice and gambling activities.

An hour before he died, Spencer left his office and told an associate "I'm going out to get some news underworld stuff."

Safety Deposit Box May Yield Clues

The gunman was ushered into Crawford's office after he had asked Ray J. Radke, secretary, to let him see Crawford. Radke said Crawford, Spencer and the man talked together for some moments and Crawford then came out to inquire about some "minor matter." He rejoined the two men and Radke at a moment later two shots rang out. The door burst open and the gunman raced through the office, leaped in the automobile and disappeared. An excellent description of him was given to police.

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## Oregon Briefs

SHIBE CLAIMS \$100,000  
PORTLAND, May 20—(AP)—Suit for payment of a \$100,000 note was filed in circuit court here today against the Portland baseball club and naming C. T. Diamond, P. T. Ainge and the West Side golf practice course, an Oregon corporation, as co-defendants.

The suit was filed by Charles J. Swindell attorney, on behalf of Thomas S. Shibe, Philadelphia, brother of John D. Shibe, reputedly one of the principal owners of the club.

PRISONERS POLICE BILL  
EUGENE, May 20—(AP)—Major-General Smedley D. Butler, interviewed upon his arrival here tonight, branded opposition to the state police bill "political flab-dub."

A state police, Butler said, is superior to municipal police organizations because it is free from political corruption. He praised Governor Meier for instituting the state police system in Oregon.

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