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THE WEATHER

Partly cloudy today and Saturday, normal temperature; Max. Temp. Thursday 84, Min. 46, river 3.5, southwest wind.

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EIGHTY-FIRST YEAR

TEACHER COST SHOW NEARLY HALF MILLION

That Amount Paid out Last Year in This County, Report Reveals

Bond Retirement is Second Largest Item; Little New Construction

The teacher-supervisor principal payroll in Marion county for the fiscal year 1930-31 amounted to nearly half a million dollars—\$458,748 to be exact—according to figures released here yesterday by Mrs. Mary Fulkerson, county superintendent of schools, who has just finished her annual report as required by law. By far the next largest expense in the operation of the county was service on bonds.

In the last year bond retirements called for \$31,915, warrants paid amounted to \$26,801 and interest on bonded debt to \$23,352 and on warrant debt to \$6,880. Operation of the plants of the various schools called for a total outlay of \$73,367. Supplies for all the schools cost \$11,432 while textbooks furnished cost only \$748, an item which will be paid next year when free textbooks are required by law.

Comparatively little money went into new school construction during 1930-1931, the report shows. The totals for capital outlay of building and equipment amounted to \$19,415, only \$4437 going into new building and no major school project being constructed during the year reported upon.

Financial Setup Of Schools Good The financial structure of the schools, viewed as a unit, is held comparatively good. Total bonded debt at the end of the year amounted to \$407,680. Warrant debt was \$110,397. All other debts ran to \$131,000. Offsetting these on the financial balance sheet was a total cash balance of \$53,413, a considerable sum, unestimated, due on delinquent taxes, and the capital investment items of the school districts. Buildings in the county have a The Linn County Securities company. He plans to devote all of (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

CLARK'S FATE NOW RESTS WITH JURY

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 20 (AP)—The jury in the trial of David H. Clark, accused of the killing of Charles Crawford, wealthy politician, and Herbert Spencer, ex-newspaperman, was locked up at 9:55 p. m. without having arrived at a verdict.

The case was sent to the jury after Joseph Ford, special prosecutor, at conclusion of an argument that lasted nearly five hours, branded Clark's story of self-defense as untrue and pleaded for a conviction.

Judge Stanley Murray, in reading his instructions, told the jurors that five possible verdicts were possible. These were first degree murder with death on the gallows, first degree murder with life imprisonment, second degree murder, the penalty for which is five years in the imprisonment, manslaughter, with a penalty of one to ten years in prison, and an acquittal.

SAVOLDI WEDS AGAIN WAUKEGAN, Ill., Aug. 20 (AP)—Joe Savoldi, former full-back of the University of Notre Dame, was married here today to Daisy De Witte, 22, of Santa Monica, Cal., by Justice Charles S. Mason.

Jumping Bean Ruled Out But Other Pets Judged

When one child brought a "pet" jumping-bean to the circus day program at the 14th street playground yesterday, that was the limit and the judges ruled the entry out. Without the out-of-order bean, there still remained a variety of pets: an acrobatic frog, moths, parrots, rooster, dogs, cats, galore, and horses. In addition to the judging of "animals" the children presented a program of circus acts.

Muriel Beckman won the prize for the largest pet, a horse; Betty Hurley, for smallest pet, a water skipper; Melvin Larson for most unusual pet, day-old and four-day old kittens and a moth.

Helping Hand Show Will Get Good Backing

One thousand, two thousand, three thousand—how many thousands of foodstuffs will be left at the gate at the Elsinore theatre Saturday afternoon as admission price to the afternoon performance? That will depend upon the response of the Salem public to the appeal for provisions which are to be turned over to the Associated Charities and the Salvation Army for use in relief work.

Plans are being completed for the program of the day. There will be a parade starting at 1:15 p. m. at Marion square and marching through the principal streets to the theatre. The Salem drum corps will lead the parade. Mayor Gregory will speak, and other co-operation is promised by city leaders.

The show at the theatre will start at 2 o'clock. Besides the regular program of movie-talkie the drum corps will play. A special added attraction will be offered by Miss Genevieve Thayer, Melvin Travis, Alex. Volchoff, Lyman Steed, and Miss Marriot, who will present the Harvard playlet "The Florist Shop." This is an all Salem cast and these people have kindly donated their services towards the Helping Hand performance which will be held at Warner Bros. Elsinore theatre, Saturday matinee at 2 p. m. Admission will be foodstuffs and edibles. Bring all you can and help this worthy cause. By special request "The Florist Shop" will be shown Saturday evening also at 8:45 p. m. with Salem players.

NOTED AMERICANS EYE JOB PROBLEM

Will Advise Gifford Group; Senator Reed Claims no Sessions Needed

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (AP)—President Hoover today requested a large group of distinguished men and women from noted sections of the country to serve as an advisory committee in the unemployment relief organization to be set up and directed by Walter S. Gifford.

Other names will be added to the list after conference between the president and Gifford at the Rapidan camp where the latter will be a guest over the week end. Aside from the selection of the committee interest in the unemployment discussion in the capital centered on a statement by Senator Reed, republican, Pennsylvania, taking exception to Governor Pinchot's request for an extra session of congress to deal with the relief problem. Pinchot wrote President Hoover urging such course.

Reed characterized Pinchot's letter as "a serious mistake" and expressed the opinion that it did not represent the ideas of the people of Pennsylvania.

Bower and Pugh Explain Arrest Due to Mistake

Sheriff Bower and Dave Pugh, who Tuesday were arrested for entering a closed area of the Deschutes national forest, returned here yesterday. Each man posted \$100 bail to insure his appearance in the federal court.

Bower said the arrest was due to misinterpretation of the order closing a part of the forest. At the closing of the forest, at the Placerville telephone operator said the fire was within a mile of the town and "going wild."

Children Crawl Beneath Train; One is Mangled

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 20 (AP)—The wheels of a Northern Pacific tank car crushed Stanley Ray, 10, here tonight so severely that his left leg and left arm had to be amputated. He was in a critical condition.

Railroad men told police Stanley and a boy companion tried to crawl under a string of cars just as switching operations moved the cars about four feet. Stanley was caught. The other boy ran screaming up the track to notify the railroad men.

HUNDREDS ARE KILLED IN BIG CUBAN BATTLE

American has Ringside Seat and Reports "Foreign Legion" Baffled

First Fighting in Havana Noted, Said Started By Porra Faction

HAVANA, Aug. 20 (AP)—Eye-witness to the fighting during the past three days at Gibara informed the Associated Press today that heavy casualties were inflicted on the rebel "foreign legion" expeditionary force by government rifles and airplane bombs.

This informant—William Otis Fuller, an American—said it was impossible to estimate the rebel dead. Government troops, he reported, lost about 250.

Fighting broke out in Havana today, with spasmodic firing through the early hours, in which one man was killed. Some reports held the action was begun by members of "The Porra," a group of pardoned prisoners said to be allied with government forces in putting down the rebellion.

Fuller had a ringside seat during the storming of Gibara, from his home in Holguin, 18 miles away. He accompanied a mountain from which they watched the fighting through glasses.

He said that in the expeditionary force, which landed Saturday at Gibara, there were reported to be Americans and a scattering of French, Germans and Japanese.

A small band of the rebels still was barricaded inside the Gibara railroad tunnel today, he said, and the town was quiet. The tunnel is the only passage to Gibara by land. The revolutionaries placed machine guns at each entrance and had been able to carry in good supplies of food and ammunition when they abandoned the town yesterday.

HISTORIC MINING TOWN WIPED OUT

BOISE, Ida., Aug. 20 (AP)—One historic mining town of central Idaho was blotted off the map by a forest fire today and another was directly in the path of the flames.

A report received here said it was feared several fire fighters had been trapped. Quaraburg, abandoned by its 40 families yesterday when the fire came within a few hundred yards of the town was swept away when the blaze, fanned by a freshly rising wind, jumped a road which halted it last night.

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Rabies-Suspect Canine is Slain

ALBANY, Ore., Aug. 20 (AP)—One dog rabies-suspect was killed on orders of the county veterinarian today, carrying out his yesterday's ultimatum that all dogs at large without immunization certificates would be destroyed.

About 300 owners took their dogs to the veterinarian today for examination. Beckley Facing Murder Charge ROSEBURG, Ore., Aug. 20 (AP)—Cecil Beckley, farmer, will plead Monday to an indictment charging first degree murder of his wife, Alama Beckley, and his step-daughter, Margaret Clutter. The indictment was returned today by a special Douglas county grand jury.

Moratorium On Debts of Farms Asked

NEWBERG, Ore., Aug. 20. (AP)—A committee of 20, chosen at a meeting last night in the Chesham district two miles north of Newberg, has arranged a meeting with Governor Julius L. Meier at 10 a. m. Monday to discuss possibility of obtaining a moratorium on all mortgage loans.

Many farmers declare that such action would be necessary to save their produce at a profit was sold as cause of the need for the proposed moratorium.

Members of the committee are: Charles E. Walde, John U. Smith, Mr. Brian, Peter Zimmerman, Ed Ford, W. H. Lewis, John Crater, C. W. Shuller, Roy Ferris, Mr. Kelly, Harry Crater, Rex Newell, R. H. Carter, John Foster, H. J. Correll, J. M. Davenport, H. P. George, W. G. Drummond, L. J. Lowndes and N. P. Nelson.

THIRTY MILLION OF CHINESE HOMELESS

Relief Being Organized as Report of new Flood Reaches Shanghai

SHANGHAI, Aug. 20 (AP)—Waters of the Yangtze river dropped a bit today at Hankow, but from further up the river came a Kuomintang news agency dispatch telling of severe flood damage along one of the Yangtze's tributaries, Tu Ho.

Relief for the 30,000,000 persons left homeless by the record high waters was meanwhile being organized under the leadership of the nationalist government.

Announcement was made of progress in negotiations with the United States government for purchase of 15,000,000 bushels of American surplus wheat on credit, to be used to ward off the worst of the famine which is certain to follow this flood.

All available boats on the Yangtze and Whangpoo rivers were pressed into service to rescue human driftwood left by the Yangtze's swelling tide.

The government's airplane survey party, flying this week from here to Hankow along the 600-mile winding course of the river, observed many refugees camped on the dykes between Anking and Kiangkiang. These the steamers will take to safer ground.

The last few days have revealed many dykes undermined and so weak that they may break at any time.

One License is Used on Truck, Passenger Car

Fred Denham, Aumsville farmer, arraigned in justice court last night, facing a \$45 fine and \$4.50 costs and ordered to purchase a license for his truck which he was charged with operating with plates from his passenger car. He was arrested in the afternoon on the improper license plates charge.

Youth Tells of Robbery But is Held by Police

City and state police arrested Carroll Harvey, 21, Vancouver, Wash. route 5, and held him in the city jail for investigation yesterday afternoon, after they found him in a Dodge sedan out of gas on the Portland road near the city limits. The youth had telephone police headquarters and reported that he had been robbed of \$140.

Starts Fire to Get Job But is Sent to Prison

MEDFORD, Ore., Aug. 20. (AP)—Convicted of setting forest fires, Robert Pool, 29, was sentenced here today to a year in the state penitentiary.

Evidence at his trial showed that Pool threw lighted matches from an automobile last Friday with incendiary intent. He said he set the fires so he could get work fighting them. Ben Quinlan, shepherd, was fined \$50 for negligence in starting a fire which burned over 1500 acres of timber in the Aspen Butte country.

WOOLEN MILLS AT STAYTON TO START UP SOON

Experienced Textile men to Conduct Plant Under Lease and Option

Staff of 40 Will be Hired; Revival in Demand for Output is Noted

The Stayton woolen mills at Stayton, which have been closed for three years, will reopen at once under new management. John Chapman and Thomas Thomas, both experienced textile men, formerly connected with the American Woolen company, have taken over the plant under lease with option to purchase and are now at Stayton looking after the overhauling of the machinery preparatory to resuming manufacture of woollen goods.

Former workers at the mill, most of whom have continued to reside at Stayton, will be taken on again, with a total staff of about 40 workmen engaged. According to Mr. Chapman, the mill will operate on finer weaves of cloth rather than on coarse goods. The managers have made connections with jobbers so they will have a market for the goods they produce.

Chapman was well pleased with the mill at Stayton and particularly so with the water, which will require no treatment for use in the mill, as is sometimes the case. There is a revival in woollen demand and this is said to be a favorable fabric for fall frockings and coats. Messrs. Chapman and Thomas come to Stayton from Los Angeles, but formerly they were in the east.

BEAR HUNT THRILLS AFFORDED SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Aug. 20 (AP)—The "Bea's" hunt was ended today when a pack of police cars summoned by radio—and tonight a 155-pound full grown bear was dead, slain on West Queen Anne hill within two miles of the city's business center.

Several times in the past four days the animal has been sighted, well inside the city limits. Today M. L. Schille and his small daughter saw the bear within 100 feet of their home and Mrs. Schille telephoned police while her husband stood watch. Within a few minutes the bear disappeared into a brush-filled ravine.

From police headquarters, the radio called into play and two police cars in the vicinity were summoned. Meanwhile B. L. Johnson, with two bear hounds, arrived and took up the trail.

Within a short time, the hounds sighted their prey and the bear emerged from his thick et on the run. Police Capt. L. L. Norton downed it with one shot.

Tax on Trucks Goes in Effect As Mayor Signs

Mayor Gregory last night signed the bill passed by the city council last Monday night which puts an annual tax of \$25 on all trucks from out of the city selling goods in Salem and an annual tax of \$100 on firms engaged in the business of bill collecting. The bill was seen through its third reading last Monday by Watson Townsend who introduced the bill and recommended it as an initial step in securing new revenues for the city.

Officials Urged To Wink at Milk Law, is Charged

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 20. (AP)—"Certain powerful interests" have been trying to get the city to drop its prosecution of milk plants for violating the city-milk ordinance, Commissioner R. E. Riley said in a letter to City Attorney Grant today. Riley asked Grant to prosecute the cases to the limit.

Frank W. Kehrl, chief milk inspector, has brought charges against the Riverview-Damascus Milk company alleging misbranding of milk. The City dairy has been accused of other violations.

Big Toll Taken By Korea Flood

TOKYO, Aug. 21. (Friday)—(AP)—Dispatches to Tokyo newspapers from Seoul, Korea, today said between 50 and 60 persons were dead and several hundred, chiefly fishermen, were missing as a result of severe storms that swept the western Korean coast Tuesday and Wednesday.

Missionaries' Sons From China Figure In Auto Crash Here

Arthur Tucker, son of man Recently Involved In Near-International Incident, is Badly Hurt in Accident

A WAY from their homes, which are across the Pacific ocean, in China, Arthur Tucker, 18, was in Salem General hospital last night being treated for a serious fracture of one elbow and his companion, Ritchie Davis, was lodged at the Y. M. C. A., as the result of their automobile being demolished on the grade of the Pacific highway entering the Labish district. Both lads were on their way to Ohio where they plan to enter colleges this fall.

Since their car is totally out of commission, the two will be forced to continue their trip by train as soon as young Tucker is able to travel. Both boys are sons of American missionaries. Professor W. W. Davis, Methodist, of Yenching university, Peking, and Dr. Francis Tucker, a Congregationalist, and superintendent of a hospital at Tchow, Shantung.

Young Davis still upset over their sudden catastrophe, told a reporter at the "Y" last night of his "home" country, where both were born, giving interesting insights on the flood and political conditions there, and telling some of his impressions of the United States, which he had not visited for six years.

"I feel like an awful greenhorn," he said. "Things seem so strange here. The people all hurry by around so; back in China we are much slower and easy-going." He was surprised and somewhat taken aback to see the American women going about the streets in pajamas. In China the native women do wear costumes with long trouser effects but the garments are heavy, rather like split skirts, he said, and the higher class women wear light gowns over this female costume.

Recent Flood Period When the boys left their Chinese homes on July 4, the rivers were already rising rapidly from (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

MAYORS SNIFF AT BITCH 20 TOAST

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 20 (AP)—While Mayor John C. Porter of Los Angeles and James L. Key of Atlanta revived their acrimonious argument over the relative merits of water and wine as toasting material, Mayor George L. Baker today snuffed the bottle of water Porter sent him and decided to have it tested.

"I'm very careful not to drink water other than Portland's Bull Run," he said. Mayor Porter recently expressed bottles of water to all members of the French tour suggesting that they join August 22 in a non-alcoholic toast to the president of France.

Key today wrote Porter a letter suggesting that his proposal of a toast to the president of France in spring water revives an incident that "should be forgotten as soon as possible."

The incident referred to was an occasion when the Los Angeles mayor allegedly walked out on a champagne toast to the French president.

Rich Japanese Thrown in Sea Officers Think

NEW YORK, Aug. 19 (AP)—Federal investigators announced today that a wealthy Japanese importer, who was missing when the Belgeland docked here Friday morning, had been thrown into the sea.

They expressed confidence they will get clues to who was responsible for the killing when the Belgeland returns tomorrow from another cruise.

Thieves Aren't Thorough Enough; Some Beer Lett

SILVERTON, Aug. 20 — If thieves who were reported to have stolen 200 quarts of beer from a reputable beer garden in Silverton within the last day or so had been more thorough in their job, they might have saved Chauncey Montgomery, the alleged proprietor, some trouble.

Led to the spot by the story of George West, Oregon City salesman who said he had twice been drugged and robbed at the beer garden, a raiding party composed of Deputy Sheriff Webb Haskins, Constable S. A. Pitney and Mayor L. C. Eastman visited the old Marsh Ranney place a mile and a half south of town. They had taken Montgomery into custody when he alighted from a Portland-Silverton train, and took him along with him. It was he who said the 200 quarts of beer had been stolen, they reported later. But there was some alleged beer left, and about five quarts were brought in along with a collection of malt, bottle cappers

STATE SAVINGS AND LOAN FIRM IS REORGANIZED

Dr. Steiner President and R. C. Miller Manager; Stock Increased

Reserve now \$50,800; Deal Has Full Approval of Corporation Chief

Reorganization and enlargement of the State Savings and Loan association, under way here for several weeks, was completed last week with the election of new officers and directors, the increase of the reserve stock from \$25,000 to \$50,800 and the announcement of a strong, conservative policy calculated to keep the institution among the outstanding savings and loan organizations of the valley.

Officers chosen were Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner of Salem, president, John H. Carson of Salem, vice president; R. C. Miller of Albany, secretary-treasurer. Mr. Miller will act as general manager of the association succeeding John J. Elliott, resigned.

The reorganization has the full approval of James W. Mott, state corporation commissioner and J. Callahan, in charge of savings and loan institutions in the department. All connection of the local association with the Mortgage Investment company of Portland is closed and the new organization places in a group of Salem and Albany business men the stock ownership in the concern.

"The reorganization of the State Savings and Loan association gives to Salem one of the strongest financed companies of its kind in the state," said Dr. Steiner, newly elected president. We are a stable, growing city institution in a stable, growing city future ahead of it."

Mr. Callahan likewise expressed, for the state corporation commissioner, pleasure that the reorganization had been accomplished. He said:

"The State Savings & Loan association was not affected by the Guardian Building and Loan association's difficulties, the two associations not having been merged. We are a stable, growing city institution in a stable, growing city future ahead of it."

The balance sheet of the company after reorganization had been agreed upon stood as follows:

Table with financial data: Cash, Notes and mortgages receivable, Contracts receivable, Real estate owned, Stock loans, Leasehold (fully guaranteed), Other assets, Liabilities, Stockholders' Class, A. B. C. D. and E. stock, Accounts payable, Permanent reserve, Fund, Undivided profits, Stockholders' Are Much Encouraged, Mr. Miller, who becomes manager of the association, said last night that during the course of the negotiations he had conferred with a large number of stockholders; the great majority of whom expressed full confidence in the institution and a desire to see it grow in Salem.

"Our reserve stockholders have made a valuable contribution to the field for savings and loan business in Salem and are fully convinced it presents a good business opportunity," Miller said. "If we had not been convinced the association would not have invested \$50,800 here."

Miller had behind him a very successful record as a savings and loan operator. A charter stockholder in the Valley Building and Loan association of Albany, he has been continuously the manager of that organization since its beginning. In slightly less than five years it has grown until its assets approximate \$375,000. In its last statement, the association compared favorably with any other association in the state. Supervisor Callahan of the state corporation department praised the work of Miller last night, saying his reputation was high among all savings and loan men in the state. Miller is also manager of (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)