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THE WEATHER
Partly cloudy today and Saturday, normal temperature; Max. Temp. Thursday 84, Min. 46, river S.E., southwest wind.

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TEACHER COST SHOWN 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—\$453,749 to be exact—according to figures released here yesterday by Mrs. Mary Fulks, 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 schools of the county was services on debts.

In the last year bond retirements called for \$3,915, warrants paid amounted to \$95,891 and interest on bonded debt to \$23,352 and on warrant debt to \$8680. Operation of the plants of the various schools called for a total outlay of \$74,367. Supplies for all the schools cost \$11,432 while textbooks furnished which were greatly augmented this next year when free textbooks are required by law.

Comparatively little money went into new school construction during 1930-31, 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

Schools Good

The financial structure of the schools, viewed as a unit, is held comparatively good. Totalled bonded debt at the end of the year amounted to \$407,680. Warrant debt was \$110,397. All other debts ran to \$131,000. Omitting these on the financial balance sheet was a total cash balance of \$53,413, a considerable sum estimated, due to delinquent taxes, and the capital investment items of the school districts. Buildings in the county have a the Linn County Securities company. It plans to devote all of

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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 jury that five possible verdicts lay before them. These were first degree murder with death on the gallows, first degree murder with life imprisonment, second degree murder with the penalty for which is five years to life imprisonment, manslaughter, with a penalty of one to ten years in prison, and an acquittal.

SAVOLDI WEDS AGAIN WAUKESHA, Ill., Aug. 20.—(AP)—Joe Savoldi, former fullback 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 animal out. Without the owner of order bean, there still remained a variety of pets: an acrobatic frog, moths, parrots, rooster, dogs, cats, gators, and horses. In addition to the judging of "animals" the children presented a program of circus acts.

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

A group of tumblers were adjudged first for the best stunt: Viola Kayser, Doris Marston and Rachel Yocom.

The afternoon's festivities began with a grand parade led by Valeri Karr and followed by a clown band and the owners of pets and their entries. The four acts presented were Billie June Smith and Theodora Beaufleur,

Helping Hand Show Will Get Good Backing

One thousand, two thousand, three thousand, four thousand, five thousand—how many thousand articles of foodstuffs will be left at the gate at the Elsinore theatre Saturday afternoon at 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 drama corps will lead the parade. Mayor Gregory will speak, and other co-operation is promised by civic 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 Volchok, Lyman Steed, and Miss Marriot, who will present the Harvard playlet "The Florist Shop." This informant—William Otis Fuller, an American—said it was impossible to estimate the rebel dead. Government troops, he reported, lost about 250.

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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 one of the two passages 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.

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 many 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 \$10 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 time of their arrest Bower and Pugh said they were traveling on a main highway through the forest. The men said they had no idea that the road was closed, although they had read a sign indicating that the forest area was not open to entry because of fire conditions.

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Rabies-Suspect Canine is Slain

ROSEBURG, 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.

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)—By-witness to the fighting during the past three days Gibara informed the Associated Press today that heavy casualties were inflicted on the rebel "foreign legion" expeditionary force by government rifles and airplane bombs.

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Relief Being Organized as Report of new Flood Reaches Shanghai

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Waters of the Yangtze river dropped a bit today at Hankow, center of the flood disaster, 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 farm board 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 Whangpo rivers were pressed into service to rescue human driftwood by the Yangtze's swelling tide.

The steamer Linbergh surveyed the river from Hankow to the 600-mile winding course of the river, observed many refugees camped on the dykes between Anking and Kiukiang. These the steamers will take to safer ground. The last few days have revealed many dykes undermined and so weakened that they may break at any time.

A report received here said it was feared several fire fighters had been trapped.

Quartzburg, abandoned by its 40 families yesterday when the fire came with 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.

Placererville, three miles away, another of the once flourishing towns in the former gold district, was evacuated late today by many of its residents, who joined the homeless from Quartzburg in the Placererville ball park outside the town or on the open bottom lands of Granite creek nearby.

The Placererville 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.

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 telephoned police headquarters and reported that he had been robbed of \$140.

The state officers grilled Harvey at length before jailing him but reached no agreement among themselves as to the veracity of his story. The sedan was of Vancouver registry. They were last night investigating its ownership.

Starts Fire to Get Job But is Sent to Prison

MEDFORD, Ore., Aug. 20.—(AP)—Convicted of setting forest fires, Robert Pool, 20, 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 QUILNAN, sheepherder, was fined \$50 for negligence in starting a fire which burned over 1500 acres of timber in the Aspen Butte country.

Moratorium On Debts of Farms Asked

NEWBERG, Ore., Aug. 20.—(AP)—A committee of 20, chosen at a meeting last night in the Chehalem district two miles north of here, has arranged a meeting with Governor Julius L. Meier for 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 farms and homes. Most did not ask cancellation of obligations, seeking only an extension of time in which to recuperate financially.

Inability of farmers to sell their produce at a profit was cited 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. Dean, John Crater, C. W. Schniger, Roy Ferrell, 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. Lownde and N. P. Nelson.

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There is a revival in woolen

goods in China, the native

people 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.

Young Davis, still upset over

their sudden catastrophe, was

on their way to Ohio where they

plan to enter college 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 again.

Both boys are sons of Ameri-

cans missionaries, Professor W.

W. Davis, Methodist, of Yer-