

## Further Incendiary Fires Break Out as Warehouse Burned

### Barns Used by White Company are Gone In Night Blaze

### Officer Early on the Scene Smells Oil; Loss Heavy

Incendiary fire again struck the city last night and destroyed two barns, used as warehouses by D. A. White and Sons, in the block between the Marion-Polk bridge and Chemeketa street. The fire was discovered at 11:30 o'clock, the same hour of the fire at the Star Fruit Products company plant two nights before.

When William New, night policeman, arrived at the scene, he smelled oil fumes near the starting point of the fire, the southeast corner of the barn adjacent to the Oregon Electric freight depot, he said. The Whites declared that no oil or other combustible was stored in that barn.

That the fire was set and not of spontaneous origin was generally believed.

When firemen arrived, flames were shooting through the roof of the first barn. The fire spread swiftly throughout this structure and the second barn, adjoining to the west.

### Residents in Houses Nearby Flee Quickly

The dozen residents of the A. B. Seeley houses, just north of the barns, fled the buildings as the flames threatened. Some of them returned to start carrying out the furnishings.

Tongues of flame, started by the intense heat and showering sparks, several times licked at the dwellings. With six hoses in use, the firemen were able to save the residences and turn attention to quenching the flames in the barns.

Roofs of the old structures soon caved in, leaving only flaming skeletons of walls. Exploding barrels of molasses rocked the west end of the barn on the river side and a large quantity of quid flowed beneath and outside.

Within an hour the fire died down and firemen turned to putting out the burning bales of hay, straw and sacks of seed.

Both buildings and contents were insured, Floyd M. White, who with Harley O. White is the owner, said. Harley White estimated the loss from seed and feed at from \$3000 to \$4000. Floyd White said the barns were worth around \$1500.

The buildings contained approximately 25 tons of hay, 15 tons of straw, a large quantity of quid, valued at around \$2000, half a carload of sheep fertilizer, six to eight barrels of molasses.

Hundreds of persons were attracted by the sky-rocketing flames. At one time the buildings were nearly surrounded by onlookers.

All available fire fighting equipment was brought out, and off-shift firemen were called on duty.

Possibility of some workman having dropped a lighted cigarette in the barn courtyard was discounted by Harley White's statement that so far as he knew, no one had been there. Both buildings were kept locked.

At the time of the first fire, the fire department received a report that the Salem Iron works was on fire. Firemen sent there found nothing.

The barn next to the freight depot was built 25 years ago, the other a number of years before. Both were kept in good repair, the owners said.

## ROOSEVELT GAINS IN PENNSYLVANIA

PHILADELPHIA, April 27.—(AP)—Franklin D. Roosevelt amassed a lead of 20,000 over Alfred E. Smith tonight in the Pennsylvania presidential preference as returns from two-thirds of the 8181 districts were chalked up.

The vote from 5917 districts gave Roosevelt 93,128, Smith 73,613.

The outcome of the battle for the state's 76 votes in the democratic national convention still was undetermined. Late tonight returns on only 37 of the 63 districts, delegates were available.

Roosevelt managers claimed 25 of the 27 and conceded Smith the other 11.

Smith backers claimed 20 of the 37, leaving Roosevelt with the 17.

PORT LOST AT SEA

WARREN, O., Apr. 27.—(AP)—Relatives were informed today Hart Crane's body known post, had been lost at sea from the steamer Orizaba, out of Vera Cruz for New York.

## BOTH PARTIES O. K. HIGHEST TAX SINCE '17

### Senate Finance Committee Votes Double Levy for Normal Incomes

### Coalition Agreement Also Raises Corporation Assessments

WASHINGTON, April 27.—(AP)—The highest tax rates since the financial crisis of the world war were written into the new revenue bill today by a combination of republican and democratic votes in the senate finance committee.

This bi-partisan coalition doubled the normal individual income levies, raised the corporation tax to new heights and accepted the high inheritance and gift taxes voted by the house.

The day's burst of speed carried the committee's work so near to completion that predictions were made of a report to the senate by Friday. The coalition was expected to produce solid support for the revised budget balancing legislation on the senate floor.

Here is what the day's proceedings produced:

Taxes Increase to Three Per cent on First \$4000

Increase in normal income taxes to 3 per cent on the first \$4000 income; 4 per cent on the next \$4000; and 5 per cent on the \$8000. Present rates are 1 1/2, 3 and 5 per cent, respectively. The house voted rates of 2, 4 and 7 per cent, respectively.

New brackets were added to the graduated surtax scheduled to provide for a maximum of 45 per cent on incomes in excess of \$1,000,000. The house had voted a maximum of 40 per cent on income. (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

## YEW PARK MEETING DRAWS BIG CROWD

Although 100 more seats had been built in Schrode hall, the crowd which attended the Yew Park club's free entertainment last night more than filled the place. It was estimated that 7000 were present. Still more seats will be installed before the next program, May 11.

For the first time since disbanding last November, the Capital Post No. 9 American Legion drum corps made a public appearance, at this program. The drum corps, clad with three of the corps' competition numbers and a bugle solo by Mr. Barnett, new member and champion of Washington.

The remainder of the program was as follows:

Baritone solos by Earl Jennings, Willamette university student and former Warner Brothers singer, accompanied by Ruth Bedford; harmonica and accordion numbers, Melvin Kaser of Silverton; violin and piano duet by Boris and Jean Harrington; songs by Alvin Alton, Joe and Master Miller, Mrs. George Gilchrist; piano duet by David Whitney; piano duet by Harold Johnson and Mildred Sampson; violin solo by John Belton, accompanied by Harold Johnson, song and dance by "Pat" Scott; shirt taping contest won by Duke Maestretti, with prize shirt donated by Bishop; cracker eating contest.

These entertainments are being sponsored by D. L. Schrode, Tom Hill, Jack Hindman and Dale Lemon.

## WAR VETERAN DROWNS

MARSHFIELD, Ore., April 27.—(AP)—Raymond Hooper, world war veteran was drowned here last night when he fell from the fishing schooner Sam. Hooper was 42 years old.

A dispatch to the newspaper said 92 Russians and Chinese had been arrested in connection with the wreck, and that five leaders were identified as soviet employes of the Chinese Eastern railway, on whose line it occurred.

## Seniors' Food is Stolen But They Get Most Back

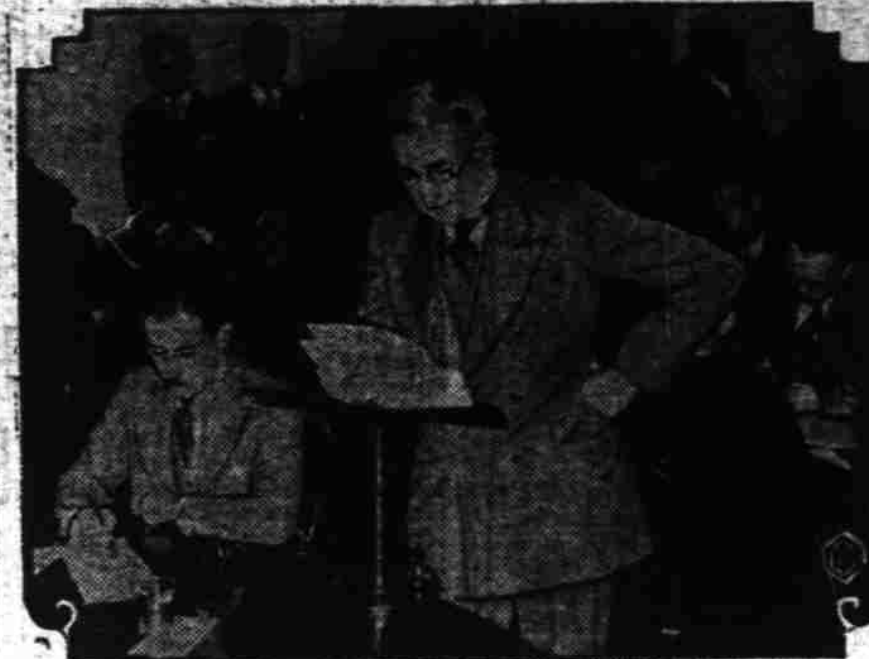
A daring robbery of food from near sleeping members of the Willamette university senior class at Necanic beach early Wednesday morning by rival underclassmen marked the senior class picnic as one of the most exciting since the 1926 sophomore uprising. Aside from this event, successful planning coupled with the aid of "Lady Luck" made possible a comparatively smooth affair.

The "get-away" Tuesday was comparatively quiet with no fights or kidnappings. It is claimed that senior class leaders placed spies in the enemy ranks to obtain information for the seniors and to give the lower classmen misleading information. The departure from Salem on the part of the majority of the 98 persons who spent the day at the beach was accomplished more than eight hours ahead of the usual time for leaving town.

Following the deposit of the class food in the community kitchen at the resort and the kitchen's being locked by the proprietor, George Cushing, members of the class, together with faculty members, who accompanied, adjourned for the night to cabins. At approximately 2 o'clock Wednesday morning, the lock of the kitchen was broken by rivals of the seniors and all movable food except that locked in special cupboards was transported to waiting cars. Following a rammed picnic on the beach several miles from the seniors' camp, the lower classmen brought the food to the campus where they left it. Late departing seniors took it back to the coast.

State police assistance was demanded and received by the seniors and by the manager of the resort for the recovery of the food, Wednesday morning before it was learned at Necanic that the food was on its way back. Following investigation, State Officer (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

## Dawes Sounds Warning Against Issue of Currency For Bonus



Sounding a warning that inflation of currency for the purpose of paying the veterans' bonus would have a disastrous effect on the American monetary and credit system, General Charles G. Dawes, former ambassador to Great Britain and now head of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, is shown as he testified before the House Ways and Means committee. Gen. Dawes called Wall street "a peanut stand" and said too much attention was paid to its activities.

## PROGRESS CLAIMED IN LINDBERGH CASE

### "Obstacles Removed" Says Contact man on Return From Secret Jaunt

NORFOLK, Va., April 27.—A path freed of a "number of obstacles" stretched tonight before a trio of Norfolk men toward their objective of recovering the infant son of Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh.

Cheering news that progress had been made was brought back today by John Hughes Curtis, contact man for the negotiators, from a secret mission to make contact with the kidnappers of the baby or their representatives.

"At this time," it was announced, "we can state we have overcome a number of obstacles that have stood between us and our objective."

The statement was the most definite indication in several weeks that the intermediaries were progressing.

Mr. Curtis, who conferred with Rear Admiral Guy H. Burgess, Robert and the very Rev. H. Robinson, Portland, Ore., returned today would give no information concerning details of his trip. He appeared haggard and it was evident he was suffering from fatigue and loss of sleep.

Mr. Curtis said there "was nothing" to the report of Colonel Lindbergh being in Virginia last week to make a contact with kidnappers, or that the famous flier had planned to meet with him on a boat off Virginia in an effort to complete the negotiations.

## APPLE DRINK PLANT IN OPERATION NOW

WEST SALEM, April 27.—Paul Peterson, who came here recently from Hood River, today announced that machinery has already been put in operation at the Parthen Chlor works here for production of an Apple Nectar. Peterson discovered a formula that will take acetic acid from apple and other fruit juices without destroying the natural flavor, and the new product is derived from this formula.

Peterson believes the plant, already with a capacity of 1000 gallons a day, will help benefit the fruit industry, particularly apple and berries.

A closed corporation has been organized, with capital of \$10,000 and Peterson as vice-president and general manager. Paul R. Reebly, another Oregon man, is president. Patents have been obtained in both this country and Canada, as well as permit to manufacture in this state.

Six people are employed at the plant now. The corporation is known as the Hood River Fruit Juice Co. It is expected other plants will be constructed over the state, with the one here the parent plant.

## Freight Trip up Columbia River Made by Undine

THE DALLES, Ore., April 27.—(AP)—The stern-wheel steamer Undine making its first freight trip between Portland and The Dalles, reached here this morning with 130 tons of cargo which was discharged at the new warehouse being constructed by the Wasco County Grain Growers' cooperative.

Seventy-five tons of sugar were brought here for Walla Walla, Condon and other inland points to be distributed by the trucking company which is operated jointly with the river service. Thirty tons of cement for road work in this county. The Undine will leave on the down-river trip Thursday with wool from Yakima.

## HONOR SLAYING CASE REACHES JURY'S HANDS

### Darrow Asks Vindication of Four Defendants; State Demands Conviction

### Judge Rules Murder Intent Had to be Proven for 2nd Degree Verdict

HONOLULU, April 27.—(AP)—After five hours and 40 minutes of deliberation the jury in the Joseph Kahahualu lynching case had not reached a verdict and was sent to a hotel and locked up for the night at 10 p. m. (3:30 a. m., Thursday E. S. T.)

HONOLULU, Apr. 27.—(AP)—Twelve men of varied racial origin tonight began deliberating the fate of Lieutenant Thomas H. Masie and three others charged with second degree murder in the lynching of Joseph Kahahualu.

Freshly impressed on their minds were the pleadings of Clarence Darrow, who asked for vindication of the quartet accused of killing the young native of vengeance and the fiery demand of public Prosecutor John C. Kelley, who demanded conviction after giving Masie a verbal lashing and who asserted all Hawaii was on trial in the case.

Circuit Judge Charles S. Davis instructed that it was necessary for the prosecution to have proved the defendants, Masie, Granville Fortescue, and two navy enlisted men, Albert O. Jones and E. J. Lord killed Kahahualu and also that they had intended to kill him in order to justify a second degree murder verdict.

Judge Davis ruled, however, that it would be unnecessary for the prosecution to have shown the defendants intended to kill the native if it had shown the defendants entered into an agreement to commit a criminal act, of which the slaying was the reasonable consequence.

The court ruled that if the defendants conspired, on January 7 last, the day before the slaying, to kill the native suspect, or having attacked Mrs. Thalia Masie, wife of the naval officer, or had conspired to threaten him with a pistol or kidnap him, and as a result of such conspiracy Kahahualu was slain, all were guilty of murder or manslaughter, even though one of the defendants was insane when he shot him.

The case occupied most of yesterday afternoon in justice court. The room was fairly well crowded with residents and students from Stayton and Sublimity.

Six witnesses were called by the state: Mrs. A. M. Palmer, mother of the girl who was killed; Joseph Widener, Charles VanHandie, G. E. Wolter, E. V. Miller and Theresa Hofendred, the latter a Stayton high school girl. All but Miller and the girl lived in or near Sublimity, near where the accidental shooting occurred last March 18. Defense witnesses were Edward (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

Following a parade of testimony at trial yesterday afternoon of E. L. Calbreth, charged with reckless driving as result of an accident in which Zolma Palmer, Stayton high school girl was killed, District Attorney John Carson and defense attorney, Fred Williams, requested a show of law, and these points will be argued out before Judge Hiller Hayden of justice court Friday sometime.

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## STUDENTS STRIKE; BACK GRID COACH

KELOGG, Idaho, April 27.—(AP)—Angered because they said their football coach, James O'Brien, had not been rehired for next year, 300 Kellogg high school students struck today.

Dashing from the building at the sound of a fire alarm, evidently a signal, the students equipped with banners and marched to the business district, shouting noisily and beating pans and other containers, but were otherwise orderly.

Some of the strikers said the demonstration was directed against Ira Tweedy, city superintendent, whom they blamed for O'Brien's dismissal, and banners carried the slogan "Down with Tweedy." Others read: "We Want Graf," apparently referring to Principal Albert J. Graf. Neither Tweedy nor Graf would make a statement; O'Brien could not be reached.

The strikers made up about three-fourths of the student body.

## Annual County Meet of Temperance Union Held

WOODBURN, April 27.—(Special)—The 40th annual convention of the Marion county W. C. T. U. was held here Wednesday. It was held in Woodburn for the first time four years ago. At the meeting today all officers were re-elected as follows: President, Mrs. Helen Prescott; vice president, Neola Buck of Salem; recording secretary, Hazel B. Morris of Salem; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ora Bear of Turner; treasurer, Mrs. Jennie McClelland of Stayton; members of credentials committee, Mrs. Bear; Mrs. McClelland; resolutions committee, Mrs. Jessie Martin; Mrs. Lydia Lehman; Mrs. Cornelia George; membership committee, Mrs. Jessie Cole; Mrs. Ratcliff; official papers committee, Mrs. Ora Bear.

Chairmen of various departments elected were: medical temperance, Dr. Emma Rogers of Salem; child welfare, Mrs. John Cox of Turner; evangelistic and bible work in public schools, Mrs. Nola Gunning of Turner; Christian citizens, Mrs. Lydia Lehman; ex-

## SECRET SOCIETY GROUPS DISBANDED AT BOARD ORDER

### Friars Take Steps to Release Undergraduate Members, All Others Will Comply With Ultimatum, is Report From Reliable Sources; 60 Notices of Suspension Are Handed to Students

### Individual Affidavits to be Required in Addition to Action by Clubs, Says Wolf; ten Readmitted After Taking Necessary Steps; General Tendency to Give Full Cooperation is Shown

ALL of the secret societies which have been in existence at Salem high school were taking steps Wednesday to release their members in compliance with the ultimatum handed down Tuesday night by the school board, it was learned last night from reliable sources.

The Friars voted Tuesday after the board meeting to release undergraduate members, though the organization may be kept alive as a strictly alumni club, and that the officers were prepared to present any of their records demanded by school officials.

Definite statements that the K. O.'s, Sigmas and J. C.'s had arranged to comply with the board's ruling were made and it was the understanding that the organizations would do likewise.

If all of the secret societies take this step, school authorities, under terms of the board's resolution, could be saved the tedious task of dealing with individual students. Principal Fred D. Wolf asserted, however, that he planned to have all secret society members furnish the affidavit before being readmitted.

About 60 notices of suspension had been issued by Principal Wolf up to late Wednesday afternoon and a larger number was expected to go out today. Due to delay in getting the machinery of negotiation with students launched, no students were refused admittance to classes Wednesday before receiving suspension notices, although many, learning that they were officially suspended under the school board's order, failed to attend classes.

Ten students were readmitted yesterday after supplying the required affidavit, Assistant Principal D. W. Tavenner, who is in charge of this angle of the affair, announced. Many more would have appeared for certification if their parents had been able to come with them, he said. The affidavits must be sworn to by the student and signed by the parents in the presence of Tavenner.

Many of the students appeared worried yesterday, J. C. Nelson, principal emeritus, thought. He said that a number of the girls came to the office to clear themselves before they received the notice of suspension.

Contrary to reports floating about downtown, the majority of the students involved are planning to abandon their secret society affiliations and return to school, said Tavenner. G. T. Beck in School, is General Desire.

"Everything I have heard indicates that the pupils are thinking only, 'What am I supposed to do to get back?'" he reported.

A number of persons reported to be alumni of the illegal organizations appeared about the school grounds yesterday. It was said they were urging the students to stand pat and not relinquish their memberships.

Everything possible is being done to facilitate speedy reinstatement of the pupils, the officials said. Arrangements have been so timed, it was stated, that no student need lose more than two hours of class time in reinstating himself.

The affidavit required of the students yesterday was changed from that drawn by the board to clear up legal points. In addition, a promise clause was inserted to the effect the student would not affiliate himself with any of the illegal organizations during the remainder of his high school course.

The German motorship *Festland*, loading here in the Humboldt, is to depart Saturday with 400 tons of prunes. Nearly all is said to be for delivery at Hamburg.

The Portland also will carry 400,000 feet of lumber and 400 tons of miscellaneous freight.

## Bendele Denies Hit-Run Charge In Local Court

Paul P. Bendele, involved in traffic accident Monday night in which G. H. Hibarger and wife of Stayton high school girl were killed, yesterday pleaded not guilty to both counts on which he was held before the justice of the peace. His bail was continued at \$2000 and trial set for Friday at 9:30 o'clock. The trial will probably be before a jury.

He is charged with failing to stop and render aid after an accident; and also with speeding with a truck.

Prune Bookings For Export Are Much Increased

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 27.—(AP)—Increased activity in export prune bookings for continental markets has been reported by shipping agencies here.

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