

ATTACKS UPON OREGON CLOVER SEED PRESENTED

Propaganda to be fought by Farmers Union, Hired At Meeting Here

Addresses and Discussion Feature Opening day Of State Session

Propaganda against Oregon clover seed, declared intentionally spread to farmers of the Mississippi valley, advantages of hardy clover and possibilities of a seed sales agency through the National Wheat Growers were discussed last night at the closing session of the first day of the annual convention of the Oregon Farmers Union.

No resolutions relative to the clover situation were introduced last night, but some attempt to start movement to effect a remedy is expected before the conference closed.

Speaking last night were J. J. Schacht of Ballston, state vice president, who told of findings on a recent trip east; A. R. Coleman who told of the sales agency possibility; and Prof. G. R. Hyslop of O. S. C., who spoke of "Hardy Clover and its advantages."

Reports to occupy Sessions Today
Reports and business will occupy both forenoon and afternoon sessions today, and Friday forenoon, with election and installation of officers slated for Friday afternoon.

The annual conference banquet will be held at the Masonic temple tonight at 8:30 o'clock, with E. A. Roberts of Salem, toastmaster. The main speaker will be H. R. Richards of Columbia county. The complete program, which 200 persons are expected to hear, follows:

Music by Marion Farmers Union orchestra; group singing led by Al Fleming; address by Paul Marston, director of extension work, O. S. C.; song by Zella DeSart, accompanied by Mrs. Glenn Howe; orchestra music; address by Ray W. Gill of Portland; contest conducted by Max Gehlar of Salem; address by Mr. Richards; song by Bethel local male quartet; address by Joe Bernard, Lawrence Bernard, Simpson Harrick, Jr. and Paul Hamrick; exploits of Ole Olsen by Ole himself (J. Burton Cray who is caterer for the banquet).

Mary Gilbert Takes Own Life; Known as Honor Student Here

Daughter of Former Boys' School Head Hangs Self at Lawrence, Kansas, on eve of Receiving Master's Degree

LAWRENCE, Kas., May 25—(AP)—Despondency was said by Dr. H. T. Jones, Douglas county coroner, to have been responsible for the suicide of Miss Mary Gilbert, 30, of Salem, Ore., a graduate student of the University of Kansas.

BEER FOR REVENUE IS FINALLY BEATEN

Advocates Get More Votes But tax Plan Turned Down 55 to 26

WASHINGTON, May 25—(AP)—The senate definitely and finally put aside 2.75 per cent beer tonight as a source of revenue.

After a spirited debate the motion of Senator Brigham (R., Conn.) to substitute a two cents a pint tax on beer for excise levies in the revenue bill was defeated 55 to 26.

ALBERT PRIZE WON BY ESTHER GIROD

Naomi "Midge" Hewitt was elected Wednesday by Willamette university students as queen for next year to succeed Lois Wilkes, who is now retiring.

Gasoline Prices Slightly Varied

Gasoline yesterday generally sold for 17 1/2 cents a gallon, with another of the major companies boosting the price. Motorists with an eye to a one and one-half cent saving, however, were able to find 16-cent gas at stations of one of the larger companies.

Buyers of Empire Shares Stockman Case Witnesses

DALLAS, Ore., May 25.—(Special)—Purchasers of stock in the Empire Holding corporation continued to tell their stories today in the trial of Jay H. Stockman on a charge of devising a scheme to defraud. The state has presented approximately half of the witnesses it plans to call in this case.

PICK ALDERMAN FOR TOWNSEND PLACE MONDAY

Moynihah, Cole, Kletzing Are Mentioned; Other Politics Looming

Appointment of a man to fill the vacancy to be caused by the resignation of Watson Townsend, alderman in the sixth ward, is expected to be a matter before the city aldermen at their meeting Monday. Townsend's withdrawal has been occasioned by the refusal of the state highway department to allow him longer to participate in local politics.

Successors most mentioned as his successor are Clifford Moynihah, local attorney, Thomas E. Cole, unsuccessful candidate for the city water commission, and Earl Kletzing, advertising manager of The Statesman, who failed to secure the nomination for alderman in the sixth ward.

NEBRASKA TORNADO TAKES THREE LIVES

Couple Killed When House Picked up, Deposited In Nearby Field

TRENTON, Nebr., May 25—(AP)—Three persons were killed, eight were injured seriously and several others were hurt late today in a tornado and heavy wind and rain storm which struck southwest Nebraska.

JAFSIE IDENTIFIES WRONG PHOTOGRAPH

HOPEWELL, N. J., May 25—(AP)—"Speedy grand jury action in the 'enormous deception' perpetrated by John Hughes Curtis, head negotiator, was now tonight as negative elements impeded the progress of the main hunt for the kidnapers and killers of the Lindbergh baby.

Mann Ousted by Ballots But no Successor Yet

PORTLAND, Ore., May 25—(AP)—John M. Mann, Portland city commissioner for the past 15 years, retired from office today when the official count of the votes cast in the recall election last Friday was filed with the city auditor.

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Majority of Cherries to Be Barreled

THE DALLES, Ore., May 25.—(AP)—More than 1100 of the 1800 tons of Royal Anne cherries raised in this section this year will be barreled to await better marketing conditions, H. G. Miller, manager of The Dalles Cooperative Growers' association, announced today.

Growers here believe members of the western cherry council in other states will take similar action.

OREGON RIVER PROJECTS ARE PROMISED AID

Hawley's Urging Convinces House Committee Large Appropriation Need

WASHINGTON, May 25—(AP)—Rivers and harbors projects in the Pacific northwest to cost \$1,250,000 were tentatively approved today by one house committee while another heard a plea for legislation to better the Columbia river basin.

MONTH COLD BUT NOT EXCEPTIONAL

Willamette valley citizens seemed to feel abused Wednesday as they gazed out upon the grey day which was chill and damp although no rain fell, a day which was a duplicate of those for a week past.

Hoover to Open Patterson Span Of Rogue River

EUGENE, Ore., May 25—(AP)—Preparations for making a direct wire connection between Washington, D. C., and Gold Beach, Ore., were made here today.

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NEW YORK, May 25—(AP)—A mysterious fire threatened tonight to destroy a vacant frame dwelling in the Bronx owned by Dr. John F. Condon, the "Jafsie" of the Lindbergh kidnaping-murder case.

Henkle Retains Treasurer Job For Morticians

PORTLAND, May 25—(AP)—The Oregon State Funeral Directors' association today elected F. Newington, of Bend, president for the coming year. He succeeded E. R. Elkman, of Silverton.

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Case of Water Bonds Validity Comes up Soon

Delayed test litigation which involves the validity of the \$2,500,000 bond issue approved by Salem voters December 15, 1931, is expected to be set for trial Saturday when Judge L. C. Jewell will hear cases on his docket.

CREDITILLS LAID TO SALES POLICY

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Official Returns Make Slight Change for Mott, Delzell

PORTLAND, Ore., May 25—(AP)—With official returns coming in slowly, and as yet making but extremely small changes in the complete figures tabulated by the Associated Press, James W. Mott, state corporation commissioner, continued to lead Representative Willis C. Hawley for the republican nomination in the first congressional district. His margin was 190 votes.

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Counterfeit Bills Are Being Traced

Federal department of justice officials yesterday were attempting to track down the initial figures of several counterfeit \$20 bills which have been passed here in the last few days. One person from another valley city who passed one of the bills on a Salem merchant was virtually exonerated of guilt because of his good reputation and the belief that he did not intentionally give the bogus money.

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