Salem, Oregon, Thursday Morning, July 14, 1932

EIGHTY-SECOND YEAR

FIVE THOUSAND BATHERS LEF SANS CLOTHING

Oh, of Course They had on **Bathing Suits: Coney** Blaze is Costly

Four Blocks of Boardwalk Ruined, 200 Persons Injured in Fire

NEW YORK, July 13-(AP) Five thousand bathers, their clothing and money burned, were left stranded on the beach by the fire at Coney Island today. When the flames began to

crackle, a few of the fleetest managed to enter the bathhouses and salvage their belongings. The great majority were unable to break through and wandered about for hours in their bathing

The subway companies and bus concerns offered their facilities to those living in the metropolitan area and their conveyances were ismmed throughout the evening with scantily-clad refugees returning home in a sadder mood than when they went.

NEW YORK, July 13—(AP) —Coney Island, famed playground of millions, was saved from destruction tonight after fire had turned four blocks of its internationally-known boardwalk into ruins.

Fire Commissioner John J. Dorman announced the conflagration which threatened for a time to wipe out the resort had been brought under control. Hundreds of small structures along the Atlantic ocean were still burning, however, and dense smoke hung over the beach.

The number of injured was listed by Dr. Richard Greef, commissioner of hospitals, at about 200. Forty were sent to hospited for minor burns and smoke inhalation at one emergency hospital and 160 civilians were taken care of at two other stations. N ne of the injuries was expected to result in death.

The damage to bath houses, apartment buildings, small concessions and dwellings was estimated by William C. Meinch, chairman of the Coney Island chamber of commerce, at \$2,-500,000, of which about \$1,500,-000 was covered by insurance.

AIR LINE COMPANY PRESIDENT KILLED

MEXICO CITY, July 13-(AP) -Carl Gilpin, president of the Gilpin Air Lines of Los Angeles, was killed and three other American passengers of the private airplane he was piloting here from Los Angeles were injured when the plane crashed into a mountain near Toluca tonight,

The injured Americans are Mrs. Gilpin, who suffered internal injuries, James Crofton, president of the Agua Caliente club of Lower California and Mona Rica, Mexican-born motion picture actress of Los Angeles.

Carlos Verdugo, a Mexican interpreter, also was injured. The plane crashed in a driving rainstorm, just 30 miles short of reaching its goal at Mexico City. Gilpin, who was piloting the ship, tried to bring it down in the rain and darkness and crashed into the

mountainside.

Marion's Share Of License Fund Will be \$37,868

Marion county's share in the license receipt turnover announced yesterday by Secretary of State Hooss is \$37,868, the sum being one-third of total receipts from license payments in the county in the period April 1, 1932, to June 30, 1932. The sum is considerably smaller than the 1931 midyear turnover due to delay in the issuance of licenses caused by the protracted dispute over a quarterly license payment plan.

The total receipts apportioned \$81,568,364, \$55,377 being subtracted from the gross receipts for administrative expense. The countles received \$522,788 as their share.

Ray Smith will Come Home Soon

Ray L. Smith, local attorney, who has been ill in Chicago for many months, is on his way home, accompanied by his wife, and is expected to arrive here Sunday. He is so far improved that his physicians believed he was able to stand the trip home.

Reynolds Had Everything; Why Suicide? That's Mystery Basis



Why Smith Reynolds, heir to the \$20,000,000 estate of the famous tobacco family, should find life unbearable, is the puzzle that is causing an extensive investigation of the apparent suicide case. In the prime of his young manhood, married to one of the most beautiful women in America—it seems inexplicable. Psychologists would explain that the ego derives little satisfaction from possession of riches, if denied the struggle to attain them. But that doesn't satisfy hard-boiled, unimaginative officialdom, and the investigation goes on. Reynolds' latest wife, the former Libby Holman, is on the left and his former wife to whom he was wedded at age 18, on the right.

'DRESS-UP' DAY IS PLAYGROUND EVENT

Display is Featured; Prizes Awarded

Colonial dames, Captain Kid, Chinamen, darkies, gypsies, Texas rangers, pirates, cowboys, Japanese and Dutch children, nurses, kings and queens-just like the Dr. T. Z. Koo, famous Chinese ones in story books, enjoyed a economist, who today spoke begrand time at Olinger playground fore the third biennial session of yesterday, when dress-up day was

Forty boys and girls entered

and Bob Sederstom as One Lung, Chinese, honorable mention.

and Irma Coover and Mary Nob- again," he said as he left a round befeld as Dutch girls, honorable table discussion at which he had mention.

Most unique characters...Allen | the Oriental problems. Robertson as a kitty, first; Verbo, honorable mention.

the dress-up fun were: Caroyl involved. Louise Spyder, Juanita Parrent, (Turn to page 2, col. 2)

ORIENT PEACE FAR DISTANT SAYS KOO

Unique and Varied Costumes Explains Status in Talk at International Relaions Institute

> PORTLAND, Ore.; July 13 .-(AP)-Peace in the Orient, no matter how devotedly hoped for, is years away, in the opinion of the institute of international relations at Reed college.

Dr. Koo arrived yesterday into the spirit of the event, in from the Orient, on his way to which awards were made as fol- Holland to attend a meeting of the World Student Christian Fed-Funniest character-Betty Bur- eration of which he is vice chairdette and Marjory Thomas as man. He visited Portland en bride and groom, first; Jimmy route to confer with other econ-Hagen as the fat man, second; omists and educators on the Sino-

Japanese controversy. "It seems to me the Chinese Prettiest-Betty Woodruff, as and Japanese are in for a long, Colonial girl, first; Betty Galla- drawn out struggle before they her as a Colonial Dame, second; get back on friendly terms presented the Chinese views of

Hirosi Acino, Japanese consul den Thompson as a cowboy, sec- of Portland, and Dr. Koo preond; and Chester Childs as a ho- sented divergent views on their own peoples and engaged in a Other children taking part in triendly debate on the questions

"No matter what the League Horace Belton, Maybell Duval, of Nations does, Japan will not (Turn to page 2, col. 1)



Steamboat Veteran Dies Bull Run Mine Reopened Oregon Editors to Meet **DeGrace Trial Started**

CAPT. STEVENS CALLED ASTORIA, Ore., July 13-(AP) -Captain Benjamin Franklin Stevens, 82, a resident of Astoria for the past 80 years and one of day. He was born in New York state January 5, 1850. Captain Stevens was master of

two famous early day tugs, the Bell-Shaw and the Alarm. He is survived by two sons and daughter.

PURCHASE REPORTED BAKER, Ore., July 13-(AP) -Miles D. Rambaugh and associates of Los Angeles today an-nounced the purchase of the Bull Run gold property near Unity, 50

miles southeast of here. A 50-ton mill has been shipped here and was taken to the mine today for installation.

TODAY IN PORTLAND PORTLAND, Ore., July 18.— (AP)—The 45th annual convention of the Oregon State Editorial association will open here tomor-

vice president of the National Editorial association; Benjamin H. Sweetland, New York advertising expert; and John B. Long, generthe best known old-time Columbia al manager of the California river steamboatmen, died here to- Newspaper Publishers' associa-

C. E. Ingalls, of Corvallis, will lead round table discussions for daily papers and H. G. Ball, of Hood River, will lead the discussion for weeklies.

JURY IS SELECTED PORTLAND, Ore., July 13-AP)-The trial of C. A. De-Grace, who was indicted jointly with Carl H. Johnson, on a charge of unlawfully devising a scheme to defraud in the sale of securities of the Prudential Bancorporation, began here today in the court of T. E. J. Duffy, of Bend, Ore., sitting on the Mult-

nomah county bench. Selection of the jury of five women, seven men and one alternate was completed late in the afternoon. Opening statements were presented and the state will be-

Conference to Coordinate With Senate Measure Scheduled Today

Both Conform to Ideas of Hoover, his Approval **Appears Certain**

WASHINGTON, July 13 -(AP) - The huge new relief bill, redrawn to conform to views of President Hoover, today was virtually assured of final congressional action before the end of another day, making possible adjournment of congress within the

The house passed the bill, 296 o 46, substituted it for the measure put through by the senate yesterday, and dispatched it to conference. For a time it appeared agreement on the few differences between the two might be obtained tonight, but long senate delay in appointing its representatives put off conference until tomorrow. In the senate indications were for completion of the seven month long session Friday or Saturday.

Senate Wants Home Loan Bill Adopted The senate delay came on objections to appointing conferees until the house had put the home loan bank bill, last of the administrative reconstruction program measures, into conference. When an attempt by the house to do this failed, and on a plea by Senator Robinson of Arkansas, democratic leader, the senate named its conference members. Soon after that house objections to the and both bills thus found themselves in conference committees

add 200,000 men to the military ly be forthcoming with which to against further delays. Sarner Provisions

Left Out This Time The house had substituted its own bill to avert the possibility creek. of another veto in view of the provision in the senate bill authorizing federal reserve banks to discount notes of private individuals and corporations. But in the senate such fears had been allayed by assurances that Secretary Mills and Governor Meyer (Turn to page 2, col. 4)

ISSUE AT HEARING

SEATTLE, July 13-(AP)-Reparations totaling more than \$500,000, sought by Oregon grain growers from railroads, became an issue today in the interstate commerce commission grain rate hearing before Examiners George Hall and Arthur Mackley. Attorneys for the Oregon, Washington Railroad and Navigation company offered testimony and exhibits to show most of the grain from interior Oregon points entered the export trade in an effort to sustain the carriers' contention it was subject

to the interstate rates. Growers are seeking reparations on the ground the original shipments were to Portland, and should have carried the lower intrastate rates set by the Oregon railroad commmission.

C. W. Meador, investigation for the railroad, was on the stand as the session ended. He said in one instance he traced down, the grain buyer charged the grower freight on the basis of the higher interstate rate, although the railroad had charged the intrastate rate.

Moist July is Indicated Now

Following the major parties the month of July is going anywhere from moist to wet, depending on the rainfall for the remainder of the month. Yesterday morning a .32 precipitation surprised most citizens, the amount of railfall equalling the total downfall of the month to date. July in 1931 was totally dry whill in July, 1930, only .07 of an inch of rainfall was recorded.

Lions Pay Visit

Nominated by Prohi Forces



recent photo of former Congressman William D. Upshaw. of Atlanta, Ga., who was nominated for the Presidency of the United States at the national convention of the Prohibition party at Indianapolis, Ind. Upshaw, who served in congress until 1927, bolted the democratic party in 1928, opposing Alfred E. Smith in Georgia.

Steiwer Telegram Asserts Large Amount for Road Work in Relief Bill

Members of the Marion county ator Frederick W. Steiwer informed them that a great amount of other conference were withdrawn federal money would be available question of repeal or modificafor road work in Oregon just as tion to the states. soon as the house had encurred with sessions set for tomorrow. in the relief bill passed this week The senate had sought to by the senate. Judge Siegmund inamend the relief bill once again terpreted the telegram as an asand actually adopted a clause to surance that moneys would shortservices, but this action was re- go on with the North Santiam versed when Robinson pleaded highway work. Marion county has government for seven miles of ate data on where candidates grading work beyond Whitewater stand.

> addition to the regular federal aid funds for forest roads.

The senator pointed out that the bill contained a provision for \$300,000,000 for loans to states on application of the governor who in turn can place the funds \$300,000,000 for loans to states with any political subdivision or municipality which meets the terms of the state executive.

The state will also participate in a \$30,000,000 federal appropriation for rivers and harbors as well as an additional \$100,000-000 for federal buildings.

"Provision adopted for loans of reconstruction corporation for financing sales of agricultural surplus in foreign markets and also my amendment creating district regional credit corporations in federal land band districts," the senator wired. "These credit corporations are to have paid up capital of \$3,000,000 each and are to make advances to farmers and livestock men under supervision of the reconstruction finance corporation."

WOMEN'S RECORD IS SET BY AMELIA

NEWARK, N. J., July 13-AP)-Amelia Earhart Putnam broke the women's transcontinental flight record by nearly 10 hours today without even trying. Although she failed by more than an hour to lower Frank Hawks' coast to coast time partly because of a forced landing at Columbus, Ohio, she said she might try to clip five hours from his time in a faster ship later.

The tall slim aviatrix - first woman to make a solo flight across the Atlantic-landed at noon, 19 hours 14 minutes and 40 seconds after leaving Los An-

There was a possibility that she may have also set a new solo non-stop distance record for women.

Slack in Labor Mart Develops the lack of progress made in im-

The market for labor sagged perceptibly here yesterday, only 13 men having been placed late in the afternoon, from the offices To Crater Lake of the federal employment bureau here. Ten of the men took com-mon labor jobs, the scale in the association will open here tomorrow.

CHERRY MEN WORRY

EUGENE, Ore., July 13—(AP)

—Rain fell here last night and beday. Cherry growers were considerably worried about the possible effect of the rain on their siderably worried about the possible effect of the rain on their erops.

Association will open here tomorrow.

ALAMATH FALLS, Ore., July 13—(AP)

—Delegates to the annual state Lions convention here and hour, Farmers are paying \$1 in the program include Herman Ros, publisher of the Northfield, Minn., News and field director of the Northfield, Minn., News and field director of the Northfield, Special assistant attorney, and Barnett H.

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Board of Strategy to Take Up Question; Point to **Previous Attitude**

Members Feel Third Party Movement Would be in Vain, Indicated

WASHINGTON, July 13-(AP) ists are to support Herbert Hooas they did four years ago, was among the foremost questions under discussion tonight by those to participate at the meeting here tomorrow of the national prohibition board of strategy.

No unanimity is apparent as ret, some private expressions among the leaders being in favor of endorsing the republican ticket now, and others showing an inclination to await a personal declaration as to the president's position.

It was clear tonight, however, that there is a pronounced disposition among some in the prohibition organization ranks to get behind the Hoover-Curtis ticket especially if the president reiterates his last statement on the 18th amendment-in which he opposed removing it from the constitution. At the same time, the organizations would work to elect dry candidates for congress and the state legislatures. Five-Point Program

Being Considered Meanwhile, a five point program comes up for action at the court were happy yesterday when current sessions. As already stuan extended telegram from Sen- died by those meeting, it calls

Opposition to submitting the

mitted, in state legislatures, department when the civil law whether congress refers "to legislatures or to conventions." Opposition to having it sub-

mitted to state conventions. Campaigning for "dependably \$100,000 now on hand to match dry" national and state legislaa similar amount from the federal tors, and procurement of accur-

While declining to be quoted, Senator Steiwer's telegram said various prohibitionist organiza-\$3,000,000 for roads and high- tion leaders here for the conferways would be Oregon's share of ence said today they saw no the relief bill appropriation. This promise of effectively defending was interpreted to be money in the 18th amendment by means of a third party, however prominent its nominee might be.

HUNDREDS OF MEN

TAHOE CITY, Cal., July 13 .-(AP)-L. M. Allen announced here tonight an incomplete survey of the gold strike region near Quail Lake indicated the site was on government ground and therefore open to locations by anyone. Allen, a San Francisco mining man, said on the basis of the survey information, scores of claims had been staked out by a

crowd of approximately 300 per-

sons who have joined in the rush-

since news of the strike leaked Other mining men who inspected the ledge today said it was in line with the rich mother lode from Virginia City's Comstock to Auburn. Allen said J. B. Stovall, University of California geologist, has not completed examination of the strike but believes it

is of considerable importance. Many old time prospectors California are among the throng fire near Jenny creek west of of gold seekers staking claims.

gridded with vast inequalities,

Charles V. Galloway, state tax

commissioner, told county school

superintendents of Oregon, in the

closing day of their annual meet-

Galloway pointed out that of

approximately 2800 separate tax-

ing units in Oregon, 2200 are

school districts whose levies for

1930-31 ranged from nothing in

287 districts to a high point of

51.6 mills in one district in Mal-

heur county. He said he deplores

proving the antiquated property

tax system in operation for the support of the schools and ex-

pressed the opinion that a state

tax system in small districts.

School Taxation Unequal

Galloway Tells Officials

School taxation in the state is varied from 24 cents in one dis-idded with vast inequalities, trict to \$157.79 in another. The

equalization fund derived from that the miliage levy in the high-some other source could do much est taxed districts in Clackamas

to improve the present unfair county was 53 times greater than tax system in small districts. in the lowest taxed district in Til-

Comparative figures presented lamook county. Other inequalities

PROHISUPPORT Merger Backers Trace FOR PRESIDENT Woes to Brownell and Slocum; Rift Forecast

Fisherman Gone Since Saturday; Patrol Seeking

ASTORIA, Ore., July 13-(AP)—The relief patrol at the Point Adams coast guard station was today searching for Ed John--Whether organized prohibition- son, Seaside fisherman, who Saturday went out over the Necaniver in the presidential campaign, cum bar in his 23-foot fishing skiff, and failed to return.

Friends became alarmed Tuesday when he did not appear, and notified the Point Adams station. A patrol set out down the coast, covering 35 miles of coast line without finding any trace of the eraft. Little hope is held for Johnson's safety, although the seas have not been rough and he is a skilled boatman.

Olson Claims his Service Dates Back to 1924; **Hutton Denies**

Hearing on the protest of John A. Olsen against his removal from the fire department was hold Wednesday night before the civil service board at the city hall, it being the first hearing of the kind since the adoption of the civil

service law for firemen. It was agreed by all parties board to decide was whether Ol-Efforts to meet it, if it is sub- son was actually a member of the

went into effect about June 7. This however, depends upon whether Olson's service is considered to have terminated when a payment of \$1000 in cash to he left the department for a time the tax leaguers if they would in 1931, or whether his service beginning in 1924 is to be counted. Chief Hutton claims he folin dropping Olson in the retrench-

ment move this summer. Chris Kowitz, attorney appearing for Olson, contended Olson vice dates back to 1924, as he returned to the job at a figure tak- for a principle, not for money. ing that service into account.

In addition to Olson, Aldermen Dancy and Townsend were called by Kowitz as witnesses at the hearing. Chief Hutton was the only witness called by City Attorney Trindle.

Olson in his testimony mentioned an apparent cool attitude toward him on the part of other firemen, following his candidacy for the office of chief early this

The civil service board delayed decision until after briefs are submitted by both sides.

Westcott Saves Drowning Child

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., July 13-(AP)-Gordon Westcott, New York and London actor who owns something of a Hollywood reputation for elegance of dress, pluaged fully clad from the balcony of his apartment into a deep swimming pool today to save a child from drowning.

FIRE FIGHTER DIES KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., July 13-(AP)-Gay Lewis, 30, died at a hospital here today from in- was paid to petition pushers for juries received when a tree fell each valid signature obtained known throughout Nevada and on him while he was fighting a Airplanes were dispatched with

district tax per teacher in one dis-

trict was 69 times as much as in

another district. The figures showed that one district had 94

times more valuation per pupil than another maintaining the

other taxpayer assessed at the

same figure in the highest taxed

school district paid \$213 or 84

Figures showing gross unfair-

ness of taxation in small school

districts in other counties showed

paid \$2.50 for district tax.

times as much as the other.

same type of school,

One of Attorneys put In bid for Eugene Crowd, Reveal

Zorn, Ramage Believe Theft Traceable to University men

By SHELDON F. SACKETT While newspaper controversy over the July 4 "theft" of college-university merger petitions continues, the problem bothering Henry Zorn, John Ramage and other leaders in the merger movement, is whether to continne with the services of Brownell and Slocum, Portland attorneys who thus far have organized the

school merger fight. Zorn and Ramage are admittedly disgusted with some of the goings-on in the offices of these Portlanders and in an informal statement here yesterday declared the Marion County Tax league might shortly disassociate itself from all connection with

the two Portlanders. In the first place, Zorn and Ramage are irate because the petions were left in the attorneys' office Monday, July 4, when it had been agreed that not later than July 1, Friday, the petitions were to be placed in the safekeeping of a large Portland bank. Assert Brownell

Interfered in Plans Zorn and Ramage and other merger leaders are also dissatisfied with the alleged interference of Cyril Brownell with their plans. "We hired only Slocum," that the sole question for the Zorn said, "and Brownell came into the picture without our con-

sent. Zorn then unfolded an offer Brownell had made July 4, purported to have come from friends of the university. The offer was cease their fight. In addition, Brownell said he would be able to promise that the board of lowed his usual tenure practice higher education would elect Dr. W. J. Kerr of Corvallis as chancellor of higher education and would also restore the school of commerce to Corvallis, Zorn said was illegally paid unless his ser- his group promptly refused the offer because they were fighting

Money which has been spent for the petition campaign-and it has run into many thousands of dollars-has not come through Brownell and Slocum and to Zorn's knowledge only a small sum has thus far come from Corvallis. "E. L. Getz, Corvallis business man, contributed \$250," # Ramage said,

Most of Money is Given in Portland The bulk of the money for the campaign thus far has come from prominent, well-to-do Portlanders, Zorn said. These men want the merger completed as a method of state economy but prior to the completion of the petitions these Portlanders did not want their names revealed. Zorn indicated here this week that within a very few days the Portland people who. have already spent thousands of dollars for petitions for the merger, would come out in the open

and reveal their names. Zorn and Ramage said yesterday that a large amount of money was spent July 5, 6 and 7 to round up 20,000 new signers after petitions bearing more than 20,000 names had been "stolen" in Portland. As high as 15 cents a name petitions to various parts of the state. As many as 20 deputies were employed in the county clerk's office in Portland to check the names. Yet cash has been forthcoming for all the expenses thus far, Zorn sald.

The leaders of the tax league and the college-university merger want more facts released from the district attorney's offices in Portland. Zorn averred that when all the case was out, it would be ap-'theft' came from friends of the university. Zorn said he did not feel that citizens of Eugene such as Judge L. T. Harris had in any way been connected with the 'theft' but attributed it to the Galloway cited an instance of a taxpayer assessed at \$5000 living in the lowest taxed district who

New, Reopened Banks Increase

CHICAGO, July 13—(AP)— Rand-McNally and company re-ported tonight the first two weeks in July show that new and reopened banks are maintaining