

EIGHTY-SECOND YEAR

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## GENERAL SLASH IN PAY FACING CITY EMPLOYEES

### Ten per Cent for Salaries Over \$135, and 5 per Cent for Others

## Economy Ordinance Will be Voted on Soon; Delay Over Water Irks

The City of Salem through its aldermen launched an economy drive last night when ordinances cutting the salaries of all officials were introduced and passed along to the ways and means committee. The measures call for a ten per cent reduction on salaries of more than \$135 a month and a five per cent cut on salaries of \$135 or less a month. Alderman David O'Hara, speaking for the measures, pointed out that the city's receipts for the first six months of the year were slightly more than \$140,000 while the annual budget for 1932 was \$403,000. O'Hara estimated the city deficit for the year at \$120,000 unless receipts for the last half of 1932 were markedly ahead of the first six months.

Under the proposed reductions which will come up for a final vote at the next council meeting, September 6, the prevailing salary schedules would be: city attorney \$180; recorder \$180; police chief \$180; treasurer \$135; engineer \$162; fire chief, \$180; police matron, \$145.50; building inspector \$150. The council laid on the table a bill up on third reading which would have reduced the salaries of all firemen to the same scale as is now paid the police force.

Hal D. Patton protested delay which has occurred in determining the validity of \$2,500,000 in water bonds approved by the voters December 15, 1931. "The city water is bad. It tastes bad and smells bad," Patton declared. "Citizens have been very patient in waiting for the court's decision on these bonds but we cannot wait much longer. Business men are impatient with this long delay."

City Attorney Trindle was asked by the aldermen to explain the present status of the test case on the bonds' legality. The council approved measures introduced by Alderman S. A. Hughes which, if passed by the voters, will reduce the overhead (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

## Albina Factory Damaged by Big Blaze at Night

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Fire believed to have broken out in the interior of the plant caused damage estimated at \$10,000 to the Albina Marine Iron works here tonight.

Russell E. Devaney, fireman, suffered a scalp laceration when he was struck by some flying object. Thousands of persons flocked to the scene of the blaze, and firemen worked hard. Fire Chief Edward Grenfell reported.

## Stabbing Affair Eyed; Plea Will Be Self Defense

ST. HELENS, Ore., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Vincent Murphy was in county jail here today while Edward Olson, Portland, was being treated at a local hospital for knife wounds.

Police said their information was that Murphy inflicted the wounds last night at the N. V. Baker home near Warren. Police said Murphy told them he was attacked by two men and that he acted in self defense.

## Coleman Winner Over Big Texan

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Paul Jones, 220-pound Houston, Tex., grappler, met his master here tonight in Abe Coleman, 215, Los Angeles, on an outdoor mat program.

After Jones pinned Coleman's shoulder to the mat with a body scissors in eight minutes and 30 seconds, Coleman resorted to body slams to take the second fall in 6:10 and the deciding fall in 3:30.

## Gehlar Asked To Start Probe

PENDLETON, Ore., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Max Gehlar, state agricultural director, was urged today in a telegram sent him by Pendleton wheat growers to start an immediate investigation into grain trade practices regarding grading, marketing, and discount. The telegram stated that present activities of the trade are costing farmers much.

## Main Figure in Spanish Revolt



General Jose Sanjurjo, leader of the monarchist uprising in Seville, fled toward the border when his supporters deserted him, but was arrested and taken to the capital for trial. Treason is charged but he may escape with less than the death penalty, because of his past record of heroism. He was known as a friend of the deposed royal family.

## WAGE INCREASE IN MILLS ANNOUNCED

### Due to Business Revival; Factories Employing More Says Report

DURHAM, N. C., Aug. 15.—(AP)—The Durham hosiery mills today posted notice of blanket wage increases of 10 per cent because of improved business. At Greensboro and Kernerville, silk mills also increased wages 10 to 12 per cent, stating business booked this week will keep the mills busy until October 1.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 15.—(AP)—A report of the state labor commission showed 1176 factories employing 133,691 persons in July, an increase of 2 1/2 per cent in factory employment over June.

HAMMOND, Ind., Aug. 15.—(AP)—The Universal Atlas Portland Cement company recalled 100 men because of increased orders. The Inland Steel company was reported increasing its finished steel output by 5000 tons this month.

CHICAGO, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Reports of the Newspaper Service Bureau said newsprint shipments from Canadian and United States mills exceeding production in July for the second successive month.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 15.—(AP)—The Santa Fe railroad reported 24,610 cars of revenue freight handled during the week of August 13 compared with 23,449 cars the previous week.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—(AP)—The price of a membership on the stock exchange fell to \$7500 over the previous sale.

## Burglars Again Break Into Star Bottling Plant

Burglars again broke into the plant of the Starr Bottling company, 810 North Liberty street, sometime Sunday night, the proprietors discovered yesterday morning. The place was burglarized, but little of value taken, last winter.

Loot this time consisted of an adding machine, costing \$100 when new. Several empty pop bottles testified to the burglars' having served themselves refreshments. Police were of the opinion it was a "kid" crime.

## Oregon Briefs

ENDOWMENT PLANNED NEWBERG, Ore., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Trustees of Pacific college, Quaker institution here, have authorized the raising of a special endowment fund of \$100,000 to be known as the Pennington foundation.

The fund is being raised in honor of Levi T. Pennington, president of the college for more than 21 years, and \$50,000 of the fund is to be set aside as an annuity for President Pennington and Rebecca Pennington. The income from this sum is to be paid to them or to the surviving one as long as either of them shall live.

GOOD AT ROUNDUP PENDLETON, Ore., Aug. 15.—(AP)—A sack of wheat will be as good as money in buying a seat for the Pendleton roundup, Henry Collins, president of the event, announced today.

In deciding to exchange seats for wheat, the roundup board announced that any rancher bringing a sack of wheat will be

## MAYOR WALKER MAY RESIGN IS LATEST RUMOR

### "Bunk" Says his Attorney When Questioned; Case Still Being Heard

### Officials Must Account for Private Incomes, Says Governor-Judge

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 15.—(AP)—The Philadelphia Record says "bunk" today, from "responsible sources" that James J. Walker will resign as mayor of New York within the next few days—before Governor Roosevelt can announce his final decision.

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 15.—(AP)—An emphatic "Bunk" was the only comment tonight of John J. Curtin, Mayor Walker's attorney, to a Philadelphia report that the mayor would resign before Governor Roosevelt could give his decision on removal demands. "That's all I have to say. That's all it deserves," responded Curtin.

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, Albany, N. Y., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Reiterating his declaration that public officials must account for their private incomes, Governor Roosevelt today pushed his investigation of Mayor James J. Walker's fitness to remain in office into the charges involving Russell T. Sherwood, missing accountant of the law firm of which Walker was a member, and the "unknown person."

The governor reminded Curtin that in removing Sheriff Thomas M. Farley, Tammany leader, he had held officials must show the source of private incomes. The governor introduced a surprise witness when he summoned Walter R. Herrick, New York city park commissioner, to tell of a stock transaction to which the mayor denied being a party. Herrick testified before the Hofstadter committee he bought 300 shares of stock with the understanding they were for the mayor. "So your talk of delivering the" (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

THE HANDSOMEN and their sons Ray and Elmer, the latter driving, were returning from the coast, a car approaching the highway from a side road and driven by Jacob Daunehauser colliding with the Henderson car. The five were rushed to a McMinnville hospital, where Mrs. Henderson still is and where she may be confined indefinitely. The other four were released late Sunday night and returned here.

In the second accident, too (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

## Trouble Expected Over Farm Strike

DES MOINES, Ia., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Steps to quell threatening disturbances in the "farmer holiday" and the Sioux City milk producers' strike, which focused attention on a grave situation in northwest Iowa, were taken late today in a conference of Sioux City peace authorities, business men and civic leaders.

After debating several hours whether recent events warranted the calling out of national guardsmen and declaration of martial law, the group finally voted to deputize 100 unemployed in preparation for a crisis which appeared imminent.

Picketing, boycott and threats were invoked by the farmers in northwest Iowa to advance the strike which would withhold produce from the markets until assured that production costs plus a fair profit will be realized by the growers.

Hundreds of farm men and women barricaded roads to prevent produce-laden trucks from entering that city and a crisis there was considered close at hand.

## Pennington is Honored Wheat Pays for Ticket County Waives Penalty Peach Growers Organize

admitted to see the first two days of the show.

ON TAXES, \$27 BACK OREGON CITY, Aug. 15.—(AP)—The county court today ordered that all penalties and interest on unpaid taxes over 6 per cent are levied for 1927 or previous years be waived provided the taxes are paid before the first of the year.

The court has no authority to waive penalties and interest due since 1923.

LA FOLLETT LEADER McMinnville, Ore., Aug. 15.—(AP)—The Oregon Peach Growers association was incorporated here tonight.

Clyde LaFollett of Wheatland, temporary chairman of the group, signed the papers of incorporation with W. B. Hibbert, Frank Foster and George Heaster, all of Dayton, and Morton Tompkins of Grand Island. Federal marketing agent George Gatlin assisted in the organization.

## Birthday Cake For President



Being president has some compensation at that. Here is President Hoover posing on the White House lawn with the birthday cake presented him on his fifty-eighth anniversary.

## JEFFERSON PEOPLE CAR CRASH VICTIMS

### Two in Smashup Near Home And Five While Driving In Yamhill County

JEFFERSON, August 15.—Five Jefferson people were injured in an automobile accident Sunday evening 11 miles this side of McMinnville, and another accident near here earlier in the day caused injuries to two.

In the accident near McMinnville, the injured were: Mrs. John Henderson, fractured hip and bodily bruises; John Henderson, injuries to right arm; Ray Henderson, cut on forehead; Elmer Henderson, driver of the car, scalp wound and broken ribs; Helen Bilyeu, who lives at Klox Butte near here, lip cut and bruises.

Injured in the accident which occurred two miles north of here at 11 a. m., were Mrs. C. L. Bilyeu, extent unknown, and her brother-in-law, a Mr. Bilyeu, scalp wound.

The Hendersons and their sons Ray and Elmer, the latter driving, were returning from the coast, a car approaching the highway from a side road and driven by Jacob Daunehauser colliding with the Henderson car. The five were rushed to a McMinnville hospital, where Mrs. Henderson still is and where she may be confined indefinitely. The other four were released late Sunday night and returned here.

## Joan Blondell Won't Say Yes, Doesn't Say No

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Joan Blondell, screen star, returned to Hollywood today after a two weeks' absence, refusing to confirm or deny a report that she was married recently to George Barnes, motion picture camera man.

A dispatch from Gold Beach, Ore., said they were fishing there 10 days ago.

"I don't say I was married," Miss Blondell declared, "and I didn't say I wasn't. I'm not saying I am and I'm not saying I'm not."

## British Nations To Keep Tariff Decision Secret

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 15.—(AP)—In order that commerce may be protected from violent price fluctuations, details of tariff agreements between the United Kingdom and the dominions represented at the British Imperial Economic conference probably will be kept secret for the present, it developed today.

It was officially disclosed that Britain has not yet signed trade treaties of any kind with the dominions, but important differences standing in the way of an accord with Canada were understood to have been eliminated.

## Auto Racer Dies Of Crash Injury

PAWHUSKA, Okla., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Fred Waggoner, 27, Oklahoma City automobile race driver, died tonight of injuries received when his car hurtled from the fairgrounds track here yesterday.

## KISER ESCAPES FROM JAIL BUT SOON CAPTURED

### Paul Hendricks Sees him From Council Table, Warns Officers

### Alleged Hollywood Theatre Bandit Pries Cell bar, Climbs Upon Roof

Probably due to Alderman Paul Hendricks' liking for fresh air, five Kiser, 2, alleged participant in the Hollywood theatre holdup of last March, is still in the city jail this morning.

Kiser broke out of jail yesterday evening but was seen crawling from the window by Hendricks who was looking out of a council chamber window. The alderman rushed downstairs, in a form a Chief of Police Minto of the jail break and himself grabbed a gun and ran toward the rear of the city hall.

Two firemen, one of them Percy Clark, also took up the chase, running down the alley so as to head off Kiser. Sometime they saw the flames from the Fraternal Temple fire and gave up the pursuit to fight fire.

Just as Chief Minto arrived in the alley back of the Model Food shop, Kiser dropped down off the roof of the place, almost into the city's arm. At gun point, he gave up and permitted himself to be reincarcerated.

Kiser's escape from the jail was partially due to the bar-cutting activities of Harry Erpding, alias Robert Coleman, recently convicted murderer, who had spent over five months in the same large cell. Coleman had sawed one of the soft, many-times welded wrought iron bars half way in two with his knife so that it was an easy matter for Kiser to bend the bars far enough apart to squeeze through.

The prisoner had been very restless since early afternoon when Edna Parks, 27, his alleged accomplice in the robbery, became ill and was taken to a hospital.

## Tusko Falls Off Trailer But no Fuss

### SEATTLE, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Tusko, whose elephant escapades have brought him much notoriety, broke into the news again today as he was being brought here to participate in Seattle's fleet week celebration, but he did it docilely this time.

He rode on a huge trailer entering the city. Tusko leaned his 10 tons rather heavily to one side while going around a curve and the trailer upset, throwing the huge animal to the pavement.

Other than a few grunts of discomfort, Tusko made no protest, however, as the chains, holding his feet to the trailer floor, were removed.

He browsed contentedly in some bushes while the trailer, which suffered more damage than Tusko, was being repaired, and submitted with dignity when his owner, George Lewis, led him back onto the vehicle.

The elephant was being brought here from eight miles north of Tacoma where he has been on exhibit.

## No More Bonds; School Term at Portland Short

PORTLAND, Aug. 15.—(AP)—The Portland school board tonight decided definitely not to place a second bond issue before the voters after a first bond issue had been defeated.

Instead, the board voted to shorten the next school year to nine months, reduce teachers' salaries 20 per cent, trim \$246,540 from the budget for departments and activities and go into debt \$208,780.

## School Blaze is Held Incendiary

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Fire bureau investigators said today they were convinced that fire which destroyed the old Vernon school here last night was of incendiary origin. The investigators reported finding a broken and unlatched basement window on the south side of the school.

## Steamer Loads Cargo of Grain

THE DALLES, Ore., Aug. 15.—(AP)—A scene of 25 years ago was reproduced here today when hundreds motored to Columbia beach to greet the steamer Welton, loading 175 tons of wheat for Portland. The craft was scheduled to return for a second cargo.

## Fraternal Temple Blaze Routs Legionnaires; Lodge Property Damaged by Water From Attic

## Skeletons Dragged From Closets When Lodge Home Ablaze

### Mysterious Paraphernalia Brought out Before Vulgar Public Gaze; Instruments of Ritual Torture are Revealed

BEFORE the merciless onslaught of the fire demon, many a skeleton, both figurative and real, was dragged from hiding in Fraternal temple last night and carried in unfeeling, strange arms of just any man or boy. To the curious eye of the public, fire-chasers, were revealed the closely guarded secrets of the innermost chambers of eight fraternal orders.

Down came the skeleton of the most ancient of the philosophers, in his little black box. Dumped he was, right in the view of man, woman and child. And along with him came coffins and what the uninformed may have taken to be instruments of torture.

These recruits who carried the paraphernalia to safety, if not to seclusion from the common stare, themselves wore helmets of all sorts, aprons, belts, and the many other doodads whose significance is known only to the initiate.

Many a secret object was sullied by the touch of an alien hand, but better shameful exposure, it seemed, than fiery destruction. So down they were brought, to the waiting lodgemen, skeletons, instruments whose secret purpose could be guessed at, uniforms, instruments of ritual, and record books.

Even the black ball mystery came to light, as several of the voting boxes, containing the black marbles and the white, were carried out.

Fraternal temple was damaged by fire. Loss was not confined to the material structure. Many a secret of the most secret was cruelly bared.

## HEALTH APPRAISAL HERE SHOWS DROP

### Due to Economy Moves, is Explanation; Cost 40 Cents per Capita

The Marion county health department's rating on the 1931 appraisal, made here this spring by Dr. Walker of the American Public Health association, is 760 points, a drop of 123 points from the 1930 appraisal, Dr. O. A. Olson, chairman of the county health department executive committee, is informed in a letter from Barry Smith, head of the Commonwealth Fund of New York city.

"While this figure represents a drop over the 1930 high mark, I consider it a fine showing, an exceptionally good one, when the financial retrenchment is taken into consideration and the cut down in the size of the force considered," Dr. Olson said in commenting upon the year's rating.

Barry Smith's letter advised that Dr. Walker will shortly complete his report to the Commonwealth Fund on the health department here, and that the complete report will be forwarded here within a short time. The Commonwealth Fund is the foster parent of the Marion county health unit, now known as the county department of health.

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## Manning Gets ten Years For Iverson Case Share

Ten years in the state penitentiary was the sentence given yesterday by Judge Fred W. Wilson of The Dalles to Frank Manning, who with Robert Ripley and Dupree Poe planned a burglary at Silverton on May 2, 1931, the night James Iverson, night policeman, was killed.

The court permitted Manning to change his plea of second degree murder to one of manslaughter. "It would be judicial crime to give you the same punishment as Manning's mother in California who was unable to contribute funds to her son's defense. She had told her attorney that she prayed that justice and mercy would be rendered her son."

The sentence of Manning ended the trial and sentencing of all three men connected with the murder of Officer Iverson. Ripley's talk to a Silverton friend later led to Ripley's apprehension in Washington. Manning's arrest followed. Poe was accidentally picked up in Seattle where officers held him under suspicion for carrying a blow torch.

Manning spent his last night in the county jail here Monday before being taken to the state penitentiary. The judge said it would be wise for penitentiary officials to keep Poe and Ripley away from Manning. It was the latter's testimony which allowed the state to present a convincing case against the other men, who were found guilty of first-degree murder.

## MYSTERY FIRE SOON BROUGHT UNDER CONTROL

### Loss Roughly Estimated at \$5000 up; Most Caused By Dripping Water

### Veterans Retire Colors and Leave in Good Order Following Alarm

Fire routed several dozen legionnaires of Capital Post No. 9 out of their meeting in Fraternal temple last night and as they marched hurriedly from the building to the music of the junior legion band, the flames roared in the attic overhead and through the roof skyward. Firemen had just arrived on the scene when Commander I. S. McSherry and others of the veterans noticed smoke and sparks pouring from ceiling ventilators in the meeting hall.

When firemen arrived, the large attic was a red hot furnace full of writhing flames. Pouring water on the fire through the roof above and the ceiling below, they soon gained control of the flames and in a short time subdued them. The building was running with water from top to bottom and quantities of lodge paraphernalia were drenched and smoked.

Accurate Check on Damage Possible Loss was roughly estimated at from \$5000 to \$10,000. No accurate check on damages was possible. A considerable amount of insurance was carried, according to L. A. Scheelers, director in the Fraternal Temple association, Employees of Loder Bros., automobile dealers, who occupy the ground floor, said several cars were badly damaged by water, as well as miscellaneous property, all partially covered by insurance.

The fire practically destroyed one or more of the trusses over the main fraternal hall, charred the interior of the attic, set into several lockers and rendered the roof over the north hall of the building probably unsafe for further use. The dining hall and kitchen on the third floor were blackened by smoke.

No lodge records were destroyed, as far as could be determined. Several old books stored in a chest in the attic, next to the heating pipes, were charred and water-soaked.

Assistant Fire Chief William Iwan said he believed the fire originated in a boarded off cupboard in the attic. How it started, neither he nor E. C. Bushnell, city building inspector, were able to say. Bushnell said no wiring was in the immediate vicinity and pointed to the fact that the building lights did not go out, as proof that the fire did not start from a short circuit.

Fireman Sees Blame While on Manhunt Alarm of the fire was turned in by Fireman Percy Clark, who with another fireman, was out in the alley by central station, assisting Chief of Police Minto in running down Ray Kiser, alleged Hollywood theatre holdup man, who had just broken out of city jail.

This was the second fire in (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

## HURRICANE TOLL IS 32; RELIEF STARTS

HOUSTON, Tex., Aug. 15.—(AP)—The list of those who died in the hurricane over southern coastal Texas lengthened tonight to 32 as a widespread program of relief got well under way.

The injured throughout the storm area, most of whom were persons requiring only first aid treatment, were estimated by persons working at relief stations as number from 200 up. Loss in cotton and rice crops alone was placed at \$2,000,000.

Trucks of food and tank cars of water were dispatched from Houston to the three devastated towns which felt the worst of the storm Saturday night. Freeport, Angleton and West Columbia. The Freeport water system, however, was reported repaired late in the day.

A string of freight cars was sent into Angleton and West Columbia to aid in housing the homeless.