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WEATHER

Fair and cooler today and Friday; Max. Temp. Wednesday 88, Min. 44, river -3.4 feet, clear, variable winds.

EIGHTY-SECOND YEAR

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FIVE LIFERS AT PRISON RECEIVE COMMUTATIONS

Pair Involved in Slaying Of Til Taylor Given Lesser Penalties

Took no Actual Part; two Other Convicts Handed Conditional Pardon

Five men serving life terms in the Oregon penitentiary for various degrees of murder, were granted commutations of sentence Wednesday by Governor Meier. Two other convicts were awarded conditional pardons.

Two of the convicts to receive commutations of sentence were Floyd Henderson and Irving L. Stoop, who were received at the penitentiary October 10, 1920, to serve life terms for participation in the jail break and subsequent slaying of Sheriff Til Taylor of Umatilla county. Sentences in these cases were commuted to 20 years.

Records in the executive department indicated that neither Henderson nor Stoop took any part in Sheriff Taylor's murder, although it was admitted that they were involved in the jail break preceding the slaying. Evidence placed before Governor Meier by prison officials showed that both Stoop and Henderson have been model prisoners. Employment has been promised both men.

Term of Hecker Is Also Reduced
The sentence of Russell Hecker, serving a life term for the slaying of Frank Bowker of Multnomah county, also was commuted to 20 years. Hecker was received at the penitentiary May 20, 1924. After killing Bowker, following a quarrel which was alleged to have involved a liquor transaction, Hecker took the body in his automobile to Linn county where he threw it into the Calapooya river. The crime was committed on April 16, 1922, in Clackamas county.

In the case of Dominico Pacini, who was received at the penitentiary March 6, 1915, from Multnomah county, to serve a life term for second degree murder, the sentence was commuted to 25 years. Records at the penitentiary show that Pacini murdered an Italian rambler as the result of a quarrel. The name of Pacini's victim was not included in the commutation record. Officials said that Pacini had been a model prisoner and had given valuable service to the institution.

Brichoux Classed As Model Prisoner
The life sentence imposed in the case of D. C. Brichoux of Multnomah county also was commuted to 25 years. He was received at the penitentiary October 31, 1916, on a charge of second degree murder. The commutation set out that Brichoux had been a model prisoner and had given valuable service to the institution.

The conditional pardons were issued to Lincoln Rose of Douglas county and Jack Edwards of Multnomah county. Rose was received at the penitentiary September 2, 1931, to serve a term of five years for involuntary manslaughter.

Edwards was received at the penitentiary March 23, 1927, to serve a term of 10 years for assault and robbery, while armed with a dangerous weapon in Multnomah county. The pardon provides that Edwards shall remain under supervision of the Oregon Prison association, which will furnish him with medical treatment.

Edwards is now a patient in the penitentiary, which was said to have insufficient facilities for his treatment.

WORK SITUATION IN OREGON UNCHANGED
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Little change in Oregon employment was found by the San Francisco federal reserve bank in its August survey. The bank released the following statement today:

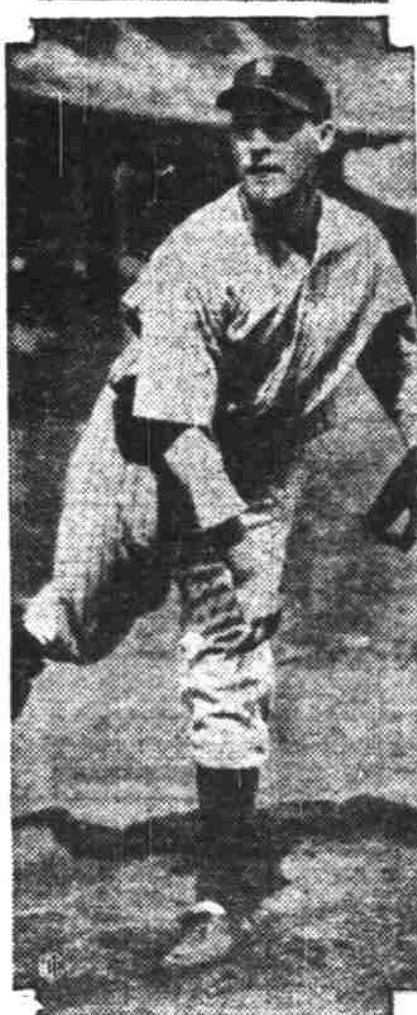
"Reports from 119 industrial firms in Oregon indicate that there was little change from July to August in the number of employees or in total weekly wages, although increases are customary during the later month."

"The number of workers increased in the metals and lumber and wood manufacturing industries, while decreases were reported by the textiles, food products and paper and printing groups."

"The total employment of the 119 firms was 14,428 in August, slightly under the 14,441 of July, and under the 14,496 of August 1931.

The total weekly wage outlay was \$224,405 in August, compared with \$246,416 in July and \$410,614 last year.

Heroes in First Game of Series



Above, Lou Gehrig, Yanks' first sacker, whose homer set the Cubs on the downward path. Lower picture, Charles "Red" Ruffing, Yank hurler who kept the National league champs tamed insofar as the margin given him by his slugging mates made it necessary.

LESKOVAN SUICIDE; TAKES STRYCHNINE

DALLAS, Sept. 28.—John Leskovan, 53, committed suicide here today by taking strychnine. He was a native of Austria, living in Dallas for the last six years at the residence, 718 Jefferson street, where the crime was committed.

Leskovan had come to St. Paul's drug store about 11:25 and bought the strychnine remarking that he was going to use it to kill gophers. The store clerk became suspicious and called Sheriff Hooker who rushed to the residence to find Leskovan lying across the bed, still alive but too far gone to be revived.

Leskovan had formerly worked in a mill here but had been out of work for the past year. This was supposed to have been at least one reason for his act. He had made some previous attempts to end his own life.

He is survived by his wife Helen of Dallas; stepson, Jacob, also of Dallas; two daughters and a son in Austria.

Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

Clackamas Youth Winner Of Jim Linn 4-H Trophy
The Jim Linn trophy cup for outstanding 4-H club Jersey exhibitor at the state fair was this year won by Stonewall Jackson of Clackamas county, who won three firsts, a second and an eleventh, on five cows exhibited, and also received championship on senior yearling heifer.

Judging of the livestock in the 4-H division was completed yesterday. In the dairy cattle, Elbert Eggsdale, of Polk county, placed second to Stonewall Jackson, and two Polk county youths, Johnny Brown and Betty Madocks placed fourth and sixth, respectively.

Marion county 4-H exhibitors who placed in Jersey, included: Don Schacht, second on senior heifer calf; Earl Rorden, Silverton, seventh on junior yearling heifer; Earl Rorden, eighth on producing cow; Mildred Robison, Frances Illiff and Croyden Bled-

CREW IN PERIL AFTER FREIGHT BOAT AGROUND

Nevada Doomed, Rescuers Standing by but Fail To Make Contact

Four or More of men Reach Shore; Westerly Gale Hinders Attempts

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Fate of the 25 officers and men of the crew of the freighter Nevada, wrecked on the shore of Amatignak Island in the middle Aleutian group in the North Pacific, remained doubtful late tonight after a rescue ship, the Japanese steamer Oregon Maru, radioed her small boat was unable to reach the wrecked vessel.

The Oregon Maru, a freighter, after a 16 hour search, radioed she had found and was standing by the Nevada and reported at least four men had reached shore from the wrecked ship.

A passenger liner, plying from Pacific coast ports to the orient, was speeding northward off her course to aid in the attempt to rescue the Nevada's crew. She was the President Madison and radioed that she was making 16 knots and would reach the Nevada's position in about 12 hours.

A message relayed to the naval radio station here from St. Paul Island and Dutch harbor radio stations at 9:23 p. m. said the Oregon Maru had reached the location of the Nevada and that she was ashore on the island.

The Japanese vessel said that she had sent out a small boat to attempt to rescue the crew of the distressed craft but that the distressed craft but that the (Turn to page 2, col. 6)

CALICOTTE YARN GREATLY DOUBTED

Police To Question Wife, Make Other Probe Into Bombing Confession

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 28.—(AP)—Frankly doubtful of Paul M. Callicotte's story that he placed the suitcase containing an infernal machine which killed 10 persons and injured 42 others in the San Francisco preparedness day parade of 1916, police tonight, however, were going forward with their investigation.

Callicotte, 32, well known Portland mountaineer, told his story to police last night. Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings are serving life sentences in California prisons for the crime in which Callicotte claims he was an unwitting principal.

Police Detective James Tackaberry, assigned to the case to-day by Captain of Detectives Harvey Thatcher, said he intended to question Callicotte's wife to learn how much of the story Callicotte had told her.

Meanwhile police were waiting replies from telegrams and air mail letters sent to San Francisco asking authorities there to check Callicotte's story.

Grain, Pasture Fields Burning

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Sept. 28.—(AP)—A 3,000-acre fire in grain and pasture fields was burning tonight in the lower Klamath lake country.

It is estimated that 1,000 acres of grain was destroyed. The fire started in peat soil.

SHOOT AT EDITOR
CALCUTTA, India, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Two men committed suicide by poisoning tonight after failing in an attempt to assassinate Sir Alfred Watson, editor of the Statesman, a daily newspaper.

Contract is Awarded On Woodburn-Aurora Section of Highway

Theo. Arenz Successful Bidder; Large Jobs are Let With Stipulation Upon Wages and Hours; new Estimate Offered

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 28.—(AP)—The state highway commission meeting here today dealt with contracts involving more than \$500,000. A stipulation in the contracts read that successful bidders must pay a minimum wage of 50 cents an hour for unskilled labor and 60 cents an hour for skilled labor. Generally, skilled and unskilled labor is not to work more than 30 hours in any one week.

Theo. Arenz was the successful bidder on the Aurora-Woodburn section of the Pacific highway, which calls for 5.1 miles of grading and gravel shoulder construction. The bid was \$31,105.

The commission split up the \$132,000 of Colton-Oddie money, setting \$10,000 aside for a survey from McDermitt, on the Nevada-Oregon line, north to Jordan valley. Another \$30,000 was allocated for surfacing the road between Burns and Lakeview, the so-called Yellowstone cut-off. The remainder will be used on the central Oregon highway between Burns and Juntura.

A revised estimate on the cost of the Wilson-River route from Tillamook to Forest Grove and Tillamook was presented by the engineering department. The new estimate from Tillamook to Glenwood for grading and paving is \$3,424,594. From Glenwood to Forest Grove, without paving, the estimate is \$287,356. With oil macadam instead of paving, the estimate is \$2,600,000.

No decision was reached at the highway commission meeting, as between the "A" and "Z" proposed routes through Aurora for the Pacific highway, it was reported here.

SCHOOL DISTRICT LOSS TO BE \$7852

Officials Uncertain as to Warrant Interest Item In Tuition Costs

Loss to the Salem school district in revenue by the partial rejection of the high school tuition law amounts to \$7852 for the year 1931-32. This sum represents the non-high school districts' charges included in tuition, for interest to district 24 on its bidding and equipment and on its outstanding warrants.

County officials were not certain yesterday, pending receipt of the mandate of the higher court, whether the interest charge on warrants was to be stricken out of the costs included in the completion of tuition costs.

If this warrant interest charge which is arbitrarily determined by outstanding district indebtedness and is not a matter of the school clerk's judgment is not stricken out, the local district's loss for the last year will be reduced from \$7852 to \$6753.

Tuition Cost
Bill is \$174,745
Salem high school for 1931-1932 presented a cost bill of \$174,745 to the county court for its basis of receiving high school tuition payments. The total tuition charge was \$51,646. Included in the school running costs for 1931-32 were interest items of \$18,369 for interest on the high school valuation set at \$306,151, and interest of \$3331 on the school equipment put at \$63,853. Interest on warrants was put at \$44571.

The court's decision of Tuesday struck out the interest on the district's investment because it was determined by a clerk exercising a judicial power without any authority given for review by the tuition law.

AGRICULTURAL BANK TO START AT ONCE

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 28.—(AP)—Organization of the regional agricultural credit corporation's Portland branch will be started immediately, W. Ernie Williams, newly appointed manager of the branch, said today upon his return from Washington where he conferred with Ford E. Hovey, chief of the agricultural credit division of the reconstruction finance corporation.

Informing that the Portland chamber of commerce had only today wired the reconstruction finance corporation urging immediate relief for farmers, merchants and banks in the shape of loans to the amount of the quoted world market price of wheat, Williams said.

"We have no authority to loan to merchants, dealers, banks or anyone else who is not an actual producer."

Elk Unwelcome In Ochoco Area, To be Deported
BEND, Ore., Sept. 28.—(AP)—Elk of Ochoco woods, shipped to central Oregon last year from the Wallowa country and released in Crook county, are to be deported to new pastures on the urgent recommendations of ranchers of Ochoco valley. State Game Supervisor Frank B. Wire said today.

Wire was on his way to Prineville to make arrangements to capture the herd, which has increased from seven to nine head in the past year. If the elk can be caught, Wire said, they will be released in the Crane Prairie country of the Deschutes national forest.

Complaints received by the state game commission indicated the elk are causing considerable trouble in the Ochoco valley.

LEGIONNAIRES WANTED
All members of Capital Post No. 3, American Legion, are wanted to march in the parade welcoming the Benton county fair delegation to Salem this morning. Commander Irl S. McSherry announced last night. They are to assemble at 12th and Ferry streets at 9:30 o'clock.

MARION JERSEY HERD CAPTURES HIGHEST AWARD

First Time in Years; Polk Third; Entry List is Record for Fair

Yamhill High for Guernsey Award; Fleming Sweeps Most Blue Ribbons

Marion county Jersey breeders scored a victory which has not been theirs for some years when they took county herd honors in the Jersey show at the state fair. Clackamas county, which has held this honor most persistently, placed second, and Polk county third.

This gives Marion county breeders two county herd wins, as Holstein herd was won for this group. In the Jersey show, probably the largest in history, 252 cattle were entered by 65 exhibitors, thus making competition unusually keen. B. H. Hull and Son of Brampton, Canada, took Jersey grand champion cow, junior champion cow, junior champion bull, Mrs. Estelle Fenne of Portland took grand champion bull. Yamhill First in Guernsey Showing.

In the Guernsey show, judging of which was completed at 7:00 o'clock last night, Yamhill county herd won first, Benton second, and Tillamook third. Marion did not have a herd entered. County herd first honors carry a \$100 award.

M. C. Fleming of Portland took all but one of the Guernsey awards, his winnings including grand and senior champion cow, junior champion bull and grand champion bull. Lloyd D. Hathaway of Brush Prairie, Wash., won junior champion female.

Other cattle championships awarded yesterday were: Milking shorthorns, swept by Northwood Farms, Redmond, Wash. Aberdeen-Angus, swept by Congdon & Battles, Yakima, Red Polls, swept by Miller and Tracy, Nashua, Idaho. Shorthorns, swept by C. J. Broughton, Dayton, Wash.

Additional Sheep Awards Are Listed
Additional sheep awards announced yesterday were: Hampshires—champion ram and ewe, J. G. B. Hubbard and sons, Corvallis. Ramboulllets, champion (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

INJURIES IN AUTO SMASHUP SERIOUS

Minnie Bunke, 19, of Dallas, was reported in semi-critical condition and Nina Olmsted, 22, also of Dallas, was still in serious condition, both at Salem general hospital, last night as the result of an automobile collision that occurred near Brunk's corners on yesterday. Miss Bunke suffered a fractured skull, bruises and cuts; Miss Olmsted, dislocated shoulder, ankle injuries, and body contusions.

They were riding in a sedan with Robert Williams, 19, and Kenneth Williams, 22, of Tillamook, when the machine crashed head-on with a truck operated by Rex Wellman of Salem, accompanied by Mervin Godsey. Officers said the sedan was on the wrong side of the highway and in-temperated its occupants had been drinking. Both vehicles were demolished.

Wellman received a leg injury. Godsey escaped unscathed.

Strawberry Roan Ravings

CROWDS' Salem certainly sent a great delegation out to watch the sights. All day long there was a great milling about the grounds, and the crowds on the outside of the grandstand during the rodeo were plenty large.

Almost two dozen gambling concessions were closed up last night while the crowd was at its height. A great walling and gnashing of teeth on the part of the operators of the stands, no doubt. But look at the money saved to the reckless youth and gambling grandfathers!

But some of those boys who lost heavy at the stands would like to have used that Lebanon strawberry cake knife on the fellows to whom they lost lives, tens and fiftens. Whatta weapon. It's in the Linn county booth, and was used last June to cut the world's largest shortcake—size 12 by 14 feet.

Talking about booths: The state institutions have some "better 'n ever" ones this year.

Salem Day Brings Out Fair's Largest Crowd And Packs Grandstand

Program Today At State Fair; Corvallis Day

Corvallis and Benton county day.
10:00—Benton county parade through downtown district.
11:00—Musical programs, 4-H club singers and Corvallis children's orchestra, agricultural building.
12:30—Band concert and Benton county program, grandstand.
2:00—Free Strawberry Roan rodeo.
4:00—Music, Corvallis high school glee club and orchestra, agricultural building.
7:00—Concert by Oregon State college band, agricultural building.
8:00—Night Stampede at stadium.
Bands today: Oregon State college; Mt. Angel band; Corvallis American Legion drum corps; Chemawa Indian school band.

VETERANS OF FAIR BACK BOARD PLAN

Return to System in Vogue Prior to two Years Ago is Favored

Life members of the Oregon state fair are strongly in favor of returning the state fair management to a fair board, as it was conducted prior to two years ago, according to expressions of opinion made at the annual meeting held Tuesday night at the Tent City cottage of Edyth Tozier Weathered.

Life members made no written resolution on the matter, but discussion was all in this tenor. The Life Members association, composed of the leaders who be- longer to the old fair society before the state took over management, elected officers as follows: P. H. D'Arcy, Salem, president; Edyth Tozier Weathered, vice president; H. F. Shanks, Salem, secretary; and George Savage, treasurer.

The group paid tribute to the late Judge Hunt, long a fair worker and secretary of the association for years.

The members voted to hold their annual winter banquet sometime during the first week the legislature convenes in Salem this fall.

Hoover Talks to Women in Radio Broadcast Today

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—President Hoover will deliver a brief, nationally broadcast radio address tomorrow shortly after 8:30 p. m. Eastern Standard Time, giving his ideas on the protection of children for the benefit of representatives of 1800 women's organizations gathered in a round table discussion at New York.

White House officials said today the president had been requested by 3000 women, representing organizations in 26 states, to give his suggestions over the air in order to aid them in drawing up a child protection program for the coming year.

About people, exhibits and happenings at 71st Oregon state fair, now center of all attention

Especially interesting is the boys' training school one, with its attractive decorations helping also to draw attention to the practical carpenter, shoe and tailor shops which are in operation at the school. Clifford Weaver, S. O. Moe and Mrs. Emma S. Myers are the respective directors, and help answer questions at the booth.

And they found out a woman's touch was needed in the police end of the fair, too. It's fair to conclude that, after the first day of getting along without a police matron, Mrs. Myra L. Shank, city police matron, was called out to help part of the day. And yesterday the part ran the full day. The management did not provide a matron this year.

The campers at Tent City have slated another meeting for Friday night. This time largely a social affair. Albert Tozier and his sister, Edyth Tozier Weathered are host and hostess at the campers' headquarters—they are long-time fair "hands." In fact, (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

Benton County People To be Greeted by Parade Today

Outstanding Music is One Attraction on Day's Program

Salem and Marion county turned out en masse at the fairgrounds yesterday to chalk up the record crowd for the year, and in return the state fair offered to its visitors the best and most varied program of the year.

As near as could be determined by Auditor Krueger and his staff at midnight last night, paid admissions for yesterday totaled 23,267. Although this is not a record, it will likely stand as the 1932 high mark. Officials were well pleased with the day. The stadium was filled, with 3,362 persons admitted there.

Today, Benton county and Corvallis residents will be the honored guests at the fair. The large delegations expected from that county will be welcomed upon arrival here by Salem's fair reception committee of 100 citizens, and a parade through the downtown section.

Corvallis People Will Arrive Early
The Corvallis people will arrive at 9:45 o'clock, the special train stopping at 12th and Trade, where the parade will be formed immediately.

The procession will include: Mayor Gregory; Queen Mildred and Princesses Pauline and Augusta; Douglas McKay, chamber of commerce president and W. M. Hamilton, in charge of chamber fair cooperation; Corvallis officials; O. S. C. band (part of Benton delegation, Corvallis high school band, more Benton county marchers, O. S. C. glee club, rest of Benton visitors, O. A. C. alumni, Rotary, Elks, Lions, Kiwanis, Central Labor council and chamber of commerce members composing the committee of 100 on reception. Cherry City Baking company's car announcer will broadcast.

Today's program, appearing elsewhere on this page, features particularly outstanding music, in addition to the regular rodeo afternoon event and night stampede in the stadium. Literally hundreds were turned away from the rodeo yesterday afternoon and today hundreds stood on tiptoe through the entire performance because every seat was filled. Highways to the fairgrounds were jammed for blocks yesterday look before the noon hour arrived.

Legion Drum Corps Accorded Applause
Appearance and playing of the American Legion drum corps of Salem, national champions, drew enthusiastic applause as parade to the afternoon show. Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state, represented Governor Meier at the drum corps presentation, and Irl S. McSherry, commander of Capitol Post, gave a brief history of the corps' achievements. David Smith Jr., talented Salem boy singer, also drew heavy applause.

An unscheduled attraction, and one which met with quick response on part of the throng, was a parade of the fine draft horses which are in the exhibition barns. "Don't let anyone tell you Oregon is going back on the horse," Fair Director Max Gehlar challenged the audience in putting on the horse show.

Additional features of yesterday's program was opening of the canine show, judging on which will be completed Friday night; and excellent presentations by official bands, the Salem Symphony orchestra, Madrigal and Civic male chorus and other groups.

Commerce, Grant Battle Ends 0 to 0

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 28.—(AP)—Commerce and Grant high schools battled to a scoreless tie in their football game here today. Commerce advanced the farthest when it got the ball down on the Grant four-yard line in the last five minutes of play, but they lost the ball on downs.

RIDDERS FUNERAL TODAY
SUVER, Sept. 28.—Funeral services will be held at the home today for Frank Ridders, 47, who died Tuesday morning while working on his ranch. He suffered a stroke. Ridders was born in 1885 on the old Ridders' ranch here, the youngest of 13 children. Nine brothers and a sister survive.

WOULD CUT POSTAGE
WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—(AP)—The house postoffice subcommittee investigating the postal service today went on record as favoring restoration of the two cent postage rate on first class mail to "provide more revenue and work opportunities."