EIGHTY-SECOND YEAR

Salem, Oregon, Friday Morning, October 14, 1932

# EFFORTS SEEN

Repeal Movement Branded As Direct Slap Against Legal Government

### All Officers of W. C. T. U. In Oregon Reelected For Coming Year

"A direct slap against lawful government, the first step toward anarchy and dissolution of the state government," Rev. R. W. Nelson of McMinnville branded the move to repeal the Oregon dry laws, in his address at the W. C. T. U. convention at the First Presbyterian church last night. "No good citizen will nullify the laws of the land.

"We stand tonight at the crossroads, especially in Oregon. We are facing the possibility of the return of such conditions as have damned souls, blasted homes and broken lives. The old conditions will come back in Oregon if the state prohibition law is repealed.

"The reason there is not an argument for repeal of the state prohibition law published in the voters' pamphlet is because there is no constructive, logical argument.

### Bespeaks Respect For Peace Officers

In closing, Rev. Nelson pleaded for recognition of peace officers as friends and for respect for all

Miss Mabel L. Keech, speaking on "Slum Work in Saloon Days," pictured vice as she saw it in her work in Philadelphia slums, declared that the traffic in liquor had then corrupted home community, political and business life. "We know some things are not yet right. It's not because of pro-

hibition but in spite of it," she

Mrs. W. W. Gabriel, state president of Oregon Association for Temperance Education, in her afternoon address warned her hearers that workers have been so busy working for and against prohibition that the vital issue has escaped attention—that of education for scientific temperance. "Education must precede and follow legislation until that time comes when the best and most serious minded individuals will voluntarily prohibit themselves the menaces to civilization," said

### Mrs. Gabriel. All Offcers of

Union Reelected Election of officers occupied a large part of the morning and early afternoon session Thursday and resulted in the reelection of all, which include: President, Mrs. Ada Jolley; vice-president, Mrs. Rachel Ellis; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Frances Swope; recording secretary, Mrs. D. G. Clark; treasurer, Mrs. Alice Thomas; Y. P. B. secretary, Mrs. E. B. Andrews; L. T. L. secretary, Mrs.

Ellen Thrasher. Prizes in the state wide total abstinence essay contest conducted under the direction of Mrs. G. L. Buland, Portland, state temperance instruction chairman,

High school junior-senior grades: first, Clarence Rose, Corvallis; second, Margaret Wright, Culver. High school sophomorefreshman grades, Suzanne Curtis, Gresham. Eighth grade, first, Richard Pedersen, Albany; second, Lillias Sutherland, Bend. Seventh grade, first, Orba Fay Hamilton, McBride school, Columbia county; second, LaRue Taylor, Park school, Malheuf. Sixth grade, first, Genevieve Whitmore, Harding school, Corvallis; second, Mildred Kaser, Gresham. Fifth Marian Hansen, Arleta school, Portland; honorable men-Elaine Reville, Pendleton and June Olson, Gresham. Fourth grade, Teruka Wada, Vale; honorable mention, Eugene Hamstreet, Sheridan; Ruth Surface, Redmond; Dorothy Freeman, Mc-Bride school. Third grade, Marjorie King, Metolious.

Prizes in the poster contests were: high school, Archie Thomp-Clatskanie; eighth grade, Lois Huffman, Bay City; fifth grade, Agnes Kraft, Canby. Judges in the contest were B. F.

Mulkey, Judge J. Hunt Hendrickson, Dr J. E. Anderson, Miss Ethel E. Clarke and Dr. Jessie Mc-

### Convention Closes

With Sessions Today Today will conclude the conclave which has brought well over 200 women from all over Oregon into Salem. The morning session will open at 9 o'clock with devotions lead by Mrs. A. E. Bash. Ratification of the Y. P. B. and L. T. L. secretaries, members of board of trustees of Children's Farm Home and department directors will follow and award of further special prizes will

made.
The invitation for the next convention will also come in the morning session and so will the election of delegates to the next national convention.

"Sweat Box" Murder Defendants Declare They're Humanitarians



On the stand in their own defense Thursday, Sol Higginbotham, left, and Captain George Courson, right, officials at the Sunbeam prison camp in Florida, asserted that they did not murder Arthur Maille-fert, young convict, but that they had used humanitarian methods in attempting to dissuade Maillefert from a rebellique and trouble-making attitude while under their charge.

Take Stand as Last of Defense Witnesses

JACKSONVILLE Fla Oct 12 story of fatherly advice given an | Monday. unruly boy.

George W. Courson, licking his lips as he moved his 285 pounds into the witness chair, denied prosecution allegations that brutal treatment preceded Maillefert's death at the end of a chain at- 1931. tached to rafters in the sweatbox last June 3. Tears came as he told that he asked the youth if there was anything he wanted and said he would have shared his own food with him if it had been asked.

Solomon Higginbotham denied emphatically that he killed Mailefert or made any attempt to do

The defense rested after Higginbotham testified and both sides prepared for rebuttal testimony tomorrow. Courts attaches expressed the opinion the case would reach the jury Saturday.

### Vancouver Talks Municipal Water Following Salem

Vancouver, Wash., citizens had public meeting last night to consider municipal ownership of the water system there. The present plant is owned by the Oregon-Washington Water Service company which has its regional headquarters here. Ralph Clyde, one of Portland's commissioners, addressed the meeting and Baar & Cunningham, engineers interested in the Salem municipal campaign,

were represented. Citizens in Hillsboro where the ship drive there.

Courson and Higginbotham Legislature Will not Face Plea for Funds to Make Up Deficit, Stated

A gross profit of \$15,000 fro guards today testified they did seems likely. Max Gehlhar, direcnot kill Arthur Maillefert, young | tor of agriculture, said yesterday. New Jersey prisoner who died in The exact amount will not be a sunbeam camp sweatbox. One known until his final report is finof the former guards wiped tears ished and submitted to the board duty at the Peabody coal mine. from his eyes as he concluded a of agriculture which meets here The guardman was disarmed and

From the gross profit must be deducted \$2610 interest on outstanding bonds together with \$8000 which Gehlhar holds was a deficit he had to assume when he took charge of the fair in July,

Gehlhar said the bond interest, due October 1, would doubtless be authorized Monday, Principal of \$8500 is also due but funds do not seem available for paying it. Gehlhar said every premium for

the 1932 fair had been paid in full. He said the legislature in 1933 would not be asked, as was the 1931 legislature, to make up deficit which at that time amounted to \$16,000.

The fair director said he was anxious that some provision be made for fair premiums in the 1933-34 state budget. Some reduction in premiums might be made in accord with the times, Gehlhar said, but he contended the total wiping out of any state provided premiums would make it impossible for the fair to func-

# Medford Man is Victim of Shot; On Hunting Trip

MEDFORD, Ore., Oct. 13 — (AP)—Glen Fabrick, Sr., 55, Medford business man, died today from a gunshot wound suffered while he was on a hunting trip. Details of the tragedy were lacking, and the coroner's office had not yet learned if Fibrick was mistaken for a deer and shot local company also operates, re- by another hunter or was killed cently began a municipal owner- by the accidental discharge of his



Primary Law Attacked Cities League Meeting Mistakes Man for Deer Hattrem is Coming Here

WANTS BALLOT PLACE BEND, Oct. 13 .- (AP) -J. A. Eastes of Bend, through his attorney, A. J. Moore, has instituted a mandamus action in Deschutes county circuit court to test the constitutionality of the Oregon law prohibiting a defeated primary candidate to file as an independent in the ensuing election. Eastes seeks a place on the Norember ballot as an independent candidate for justice of the peace. The alternative writ issued by Circuit Judge Duffy sets October 15 as the time by which County Clerk Davidson must show cause why he

the ballot, TAXATION IS ISSUE EUGENE, Oct. 13-(AP)-The League of Oregon Cities opened its annual session on the Oregon sheriff's office, and is scheduled meet here tomorrow.

should not place Eastes' name on

William M. M. Briggs of Ashland, president of the league is

RESULT, ARM LOST KLAMATH FALLS, Oct. 13. -(AP) - John Bush of Klamath Falls suffered the loss of an arm as the result of wounds sustained when his hunting companion mistook him for a deer and fired upon him today, police said.

Bush's companion, a man named McGilvray, hurried for help, and Bush was rushed to a hospital here, where an amputation was found necessary.

WILL START SENTENCE PORTLAND, Oct. 13 .- (AP)-

Killed as Troops And Unionists Clash:

Detachments Increased as Tension in mid-Illinois Coal Region Grows

**Disorder Spreads** 

TAYLORSVILLE, Ills., Oct. 13. -(AP)-Warrants charging murder were sworn out tonight by Mayor Thomas F. Foster of Tovey, against Col. Robert W. Avis, commanding the national guard units here for the miners' controversy, and Captain Carl J. Meachem, his executive officer.

The warrants charged the officers with the death of Andy Ganis, coal miner slain tonight by a guardsmen in Tovey. Sheriff Charles Wienke said he probably would serve them tomorrow.

TAYLORSVILLE, Ill., Oct. 13. -(AP)-Andy Ganis, striking miner, was shot to death tonight in a clash between national guardsmen and members of the newly formed progressive union, climaxing a day of disorders in the central Illinois coal field.

Ganis was shot near his home at Tovey, near here. The wounding of a rural mail carrier, named Butterfield, was reported from Langley-Ville as tension increased during a series of clashes between employed miners, guarded by troops, and striking coal diggers. Alarmed at the steady increase of guerilla warfare, officials tonight increased the national guard detachment here to seven full companies, and issued orders to break up all gatherings.

by troops in the belief that trou--(AP)-Two former prison the Oregon state fair in 1932 ble was being fomented there by striking miners.

Hostilities started shortly after daybreak when a group of men attacked a national guardsman on severely slugged.

# WITH TOM MOONEY

SAN QUENTIN, Cal., Oct. 13. -(AP)-Freedom and exoneration, two objectives of the long battle in behalf of Tom Mooney, convicted San Francisco Preparedness day bomber, will be sought on two fronts, it was announced here today after the gray-haired life-termer had met the newest

figure in the much-discussed case. Mooney shook hands with Paul M. Callicotte, Portland, Ore., mountaineer, who says he believes he unwittingly placed the bomb which killed 10 persons and injured 40 others during a Preparedness day parade in 1916. Callicotte's first remark on meeting Mooney was: "I never saw you before in my life."

"And I never saw you before in my life," Mooney replied. When Callicotte came from the conference he said: "Mooney might have jumped down my throat for keeping him in prison 15 years by not telling before. But he just looked at me and ques-

# CONVICT ESCAPES, **GUARDS SEARCHING**

Guards from the state penitentiary here were searching, without success up to early this morning, for Frank Butler, 29, convict who escaped from a gun gang which had been working at the Cottage Farm about mid-afternoon Thursday.

Butler was sentenced in Benton county to serve six years for stealing cattle, and had served three years. He would have been released in another year, counting his allowances for good behavior up to Thursday.

### **Produce Dumping** In Oregon Theme For Conference

to prevent what they describe as the dumping of farm produce up-on the Portland market by Puget Weber A. Hattrem, president of Sound and California interests, the Municipal Reserve & Bond a group of Oregon producers and company, surrendered today to the Portland business men plan to after him this morning.

# **Boloff Dies**; Main Figure In Red Case

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 13— (AP)—Ben Boloff, 38, member of the communist party, died at the Multnemah county farm today. Death was pronounced due to a lung disease.

Only eight months ago Boloff was released from prison where he served one year of a ten year sentence for violation of the criminal syndicalism law.

He was one of 13 alleged communists indicted for violation of the syndicalism law, but was the only one convicted. The case was frequently before

the courts, the state supreme court having been asked several times to intervene, refusing each time. His sentence was commuted when he was threatened by the disease that caused his death. A request of Dirk de Jonge, communist candidate for mayor of Portland, that the city permit communists to hold a mass funeral for Boloff was denied by the

city council.

Morrow Suffers Broken leg In Accident Caused by . Downpour of Rain

Ray Morrow, 19, of route seven, last night was taken to a local hospital, suffering from compound fracture of the right leg, and Vera Burch, 22, of 173 South Cottage, was taken to her home, suffering from bruises of the face and right leg, as the result of their motorcycle skidding and overturning on the railroad tracks at High and Union streets.

The pair were riding through the downpouring rain, Miss Burch from that end which would drive Republican and democratic on the motorcycle seat, Morrow headquarters were ordered closed sitting in her lap and steering the where Morrow lay.

Waldo C. Miller, 20, of route six, reported to city police that he was the driver of the roadster that struck the parked coupe of E. Pike, route five, in front of Salem General hospital where it was parked Wednesday night. He said he had driven away hurriedly to take Velma Armstrong 19. of route six, to her home for treatment of a cut above her right eye, caused by glass flying from the windshield. He claimed the Pike car had no tail light burn-

Vada Griffith, maid at Salem General hospital, informed police last night that her automobile ran into a ditch along the Pacifie highway north of here when a tire blew out. She reported no injuries received by occupants of

R. M. Hoover, 565 Cottage street, reported a minor collision between his automobile and one driven by an unidentified motorist on Commercial street.

# BY BIG DOWNPOUR

After giving Willamette valley esidents a gentle introduction to fall precipitation, the rainmaker last night up-ended his water tanks and proudly gave them a sample of just what he could do. Streets streamed with rainwater and gutters flooded as the result of leaf-clogged storm sewers.

The man, or woman, on the street scurried along, with umbrella lowered protectingly or rainceat wound tightly about. And the rainmaker is bound to catch those persons who stayed indoors last night. Unsettled weather and more rains are predicted for today.

Total precipitation for October up to last night was 0.71 inch. The volume of water falling in the late showers, however, were easrock crusher in the vicinity of the ily sufficient to put the figure for the past few days well above one

# Silverton Boys Run Away; Held By Police Here

City police took two Silverton boys into custody last night, beleving them runaways, and were holding them pending arrival of their parents. The pair, W. F. High, 14, and G. A. Wahi, 15, were found at the Southern Pa-PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 13 — cific station where they said they (AP)—With the announced purpose of seeing what may be done for San Francisco. High had 49 cific station where they said they cents in his pocket, Wahl money.

The father of the High lad called by police, directed his son held in jail until he could come

Directors of departments will report. They include: international felations, Mrs. Florence Berkeley) legislation, Mrs. G. L. Buland; medical temperance, Mrs. Anna Edgington; motion pictures, Miss. Edwing motion pictu

Salem Division Manager of Utility was Spied on, Thomas Concludes

Could Have Been Fired, is Local Man's Admission At C. P. S. Hearing

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 13 cial of Albert E. Peirce & Co., Chicago brokers, might have been able to "take" his job was made by W. M. Hamilton, manager of the Salem division of the Pacific Northwest Public Service company, in his appearance today at the hearing State Utility Commissioner Charles M. Thomas is conducting into the financial relations of the Portland utility and its Chicago parent, the Central Public Service cor-

Millions of dollars were invested by Oregon residents in the Chicago corporation's stock paign in which the commissioner charges the entire personnel of the Portland utility and its subsidiaries were required to participate.

"I have learned a lot here today," Hamilton observed as reports were read relating to himself and his own somewhat stubborn resistance to being initiated into the selling campaign. Peirce Men Spying On Him, Asserted

"It seems perfectly clear," Commissioner Thomas remarked, "that the Peirce men were spying on you and reporting to the Chicago office requesting pressure local heads into action."

An excerpt of a report to the Chicago offices of the brokerage pery tracks, police said. The cy- firm was introduced. It described cle came to a stop 50 feet from Hamilton as "leaning over back- Fate of Effort to put on wards" in his attitude toward the campaign, and his objection to using his operating staff for the purpose.

A letter from Albert E. Peirce. head of both the brokerage firm and the Central Public Service corporation, congratulated Hamilton on his efforts and urged further activity. Could Have Taken

His Job, Admitted "That was another case of pat on the back and a kick in (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

# AND WERE DINERS' EARS VERMILLIONS

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Oct. 3.—(AP)—The partial plunge of a transient worker through a skylight brought temporary confusion to a chamber of commerce forum luncheon here this noon. The men were settling back to

near the oratory of two democratcrash focused their attention upon the center of the dining room ceiling. There, suspended head first, was the worker, his body swinging like a pendulum. knees were curved over the window bars, keeping him from fall-

Business of the forum was suspended while several members grouped beneath the man, to break his fall if he slipped. Others rushed to the roof and succeeded in dragging him, unhurt, to safety. He had slipped while attempting to open the skylight.

### Parties Battle Over Virtues at Fraternis Meet

In a spirit of fun, Fraternis club members at their meeting at The Spa last night engaged in heated arguments over the platforms of the political parties With Shannon Hogue presiding, E. Lee Crawford represented the democrats, Ralph Emmons the republicans. Cecil Edwards, discarding his personal political beliefs for the moment, spoke for the so-Emmons was elected secretary

Not True Bill Returned by Grand Jury Thursday After Case Thoroughly Sifted; Touching Scene Enacted as Mother Learns of Decision and Again When she and Exonerated Youth Meet in Sheriff's Office

Jurors Make no Comment but Evidence of Justifiable Homicide is Recalled; Youth Promises He'll Cause No one to Regret Outcome; aid of Local men to be Forthcoming for Family, is Understanding

MELVIN R. SORELL, 19, facing a charge of killing his father, Leon D. Sorell on the night of September 2, last, through an intensive selling cam- was late yesterday afternoon released from the county jail. a youth free to make the best of the privileges of society—for a short half hour before a not true bill in the case against Sorell was returned by the Marion county grand jury.

In the courtroom when the seven members of the grand jury filed in to hand their report to Circuit Judge L. H. Me-Mahan, sat as the only spectator the boy's mother, Mrs. Leon D. Sorell. The jedge made no comment as he glanced at

It was not until a member of the grand jury stepped back to Mrs. Sorell and told her the

Ballot Will be Decided By Judge McMahan

Another 24 hours went by yesterday with decision in the mandamus actions which, if approved in circuit court here and not reversed in an appeal to the state time. I'm sure you'll never resupreme court, would compel the gret it", she told three men and submission to the voters November 8 of a repeal proposal to the As she shook hands with each water purchase charter amend-

City Attorney Trindle filed an swer to the alternative writ of mandamus resterday and Judge

Each side has announced it court, if even the decision goes adverse to their position.

Trindle contended yesterday that the petitions for the repeal were filed too late for appearance on the general election and that Keyes contends that the city recorder must prepare special ballots for the election but holds that these ballots must be distributed, administered and counted by the regular election personnel of the county.

## Births Nearly Double Deaths In Last Month

Last month there were 66 births and but 38 deaths in Marion county, Dr. Vernon A. Douglas yesterday reported to the health department executive committee. Up to October 1, births number 627 as against 748 in 1931. Deaths have increased, however, from 474 in 1931 to 498

this year. The infant death rate has inreased this year through a derease in number of births. Actual number of infant deaths to October 1 was 26, 15 less than in 1931. Two infants in the county died in September.

Males were higher last month both in births and deaths, with 39

# Voters Flock to Hoover Standard, County Report

Many voters who have been sit-| county commenting he was 'all ting on the fence deciding what to do have jumped off now and are lining up squarely behind Hoover. This is the report brought back to Salem yesterday by Chris J. Kowits, county central commit-teeman, and B. W. Macy, secretary, after a tour of the north end

things to all men!' One prominent farmer in the North Howell area said that after he had heard Roosevelt's speech on the farm situation he was convinced he would vote for Hoover. "We farmers don't need to know what's wrong; what we need is a of the county. The Hoover swing remedy," he observed. "The long- for this was given by the som, is very noticeable, they found, in er Roosevelt keeps on talking the Melvin. Melvin was taken into remedy," he observed. "The long-

the bill, then passed it to the clerk of the court.

content of the bill that the mother knew the outcome of the jury's action on what members of the jury are said to have termed the hardest case to come before them. The grand jury which refused to indict Sorell on the murder charge has been sitting here just a year, and in that period has handled nearly 100 cases, among them the Silverton murder case and the Harry Erpelding murder

charge. Mother Expresses

Joy at Outcome Mrs. Sorell's 197, though restrained, was immediately evident as she was told that Melvin was to go free.

"I am so happy, so happy. God bless you, everyone. I'm happier than I've been for a long, long four women composing the jury. member of the jury, there was a noticeable effort at composure. More touching still was the

scene in Sheriff Oscar Bower's office 20 minutes later, when L. H. McMahan allowed Walter Melvin was released from jail Keyes, counsel for plaintiffs, and he and his mother met. 24 hours in which to reply. The Turning from affectionate greetjudge is expected to hand down ing of his mother, Melvin thankhis opinion in court this after- ed Sheriff Bower for good treatment he was given while in jail, and Bower in turn remarked that would appeal to the state supreme the youth had been a fine pris-

oner Then addressing himself to two or three members of the jury present, thanked them for their action. and declared, "You will never there was no regular city election. have cause to regret what you have done," and added that he would make good. The young man and his mother also expressed great appreciation for the support given him by R. J. Hendricks, who with Walter Heres took over his case without remuneration, and of other business men here who interested themselves in the prisoner and the family.

Family to Receive Help, Announced

Then he returned home with his mother to greet his two sisters, for whom he is the breadwinner. It is said prominent hecal men have offered their support in finding and giving employment to the youth. The family intends to continue living here, the mother stated.

It is understood that th grand jury spent virtually all'of two full days hearing testimony on this case, and that another full day was given over to weighing of the evidence and arriving at a decision.

The jury offered no comment in returning the not true bill in court yesterday, but from sources closely connected with the entire case, it is said the great bulk of testimony before that body pointed to justifiable homicide, with the life of one person weighed against lives of the

Intimations from sources close to the grand jury are that tentimony of neighbors, former em-ployes of the dead man and even of his own sister, more than substantlated the unbelievable facts which led to the shooting.

Leon D. Sorell, 48, was wounded by pistol shots fired by his son the night of September 2, in front of the family residence en Union street, and died the next day at a local hospital, despite a blood transfusion in an effort to prolong or save his life. Blood