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The Oregon States man

Six-Foot Wall of Water is Rushing Down Toward Nebraska Towns

McCook Death List Alone is Feared Around 250 When Final Check Made

(By the Associated Press) A rising roll of flood and storm dead reached the 50 mark last night as early reports indicate seven western plains states had suffered property damage upwards of \$10,000,000.

Scores were missing all over the flood territory and particularly in the path of the raging Republican river which roared over a wide area in southwestern Nebraska Friday and rolled on yesterday into Cheyenne county,

A local Red Cross official at McCook, in the center of the Nebraska flood zone, estimated the dead there might reach 250 when a final checkup can be made after restoration of communications to a number of communities now entirely cut off.

Hundreds of persons were left homeless and nundreds of farm animals perished.

Colorado Springs alone listed flood losses within the city at \$1.215,000; Pueblo reported damage at "more than a million"; Oxford and McCook, Neb., set their figure at \$1,500,000; and there were dozens of communities which had not yet counted their material losses as they bent evand relieve their suffering.

talities at '4; Texas had seven; Kansas four and Missouri 1.

McCOOK, Neb., June 1 .- (AP)-A new menace, a six foot wall of water, rushed down the already flood swollen Republican river valley in southern Nebraska tonight after relief workers had estimated disaster fatalities in the region might reach 250.

Sixteen persons were known dead in floods and tornadoes which swept southern Nebraska, inundating thousands of acres of Dundy, Chase, Hayes, Hitchcock. Red Willow, Frontier, Furnas, Harlan, Franklin, Webster and Nuckolis counties.

The flooded territory was more than 200 miles long and at some points the river, normally a small stream, was two and a half miles

Property damage was estimated after first surveys of the havoc at several million dollars. Mc-Cook and Oxford alone counted their loss at \$1,500,000.

Scores of persons in the flood's path were missing. Dr. J. M. Willis, physician at McCook, who took a prominent part in relief work there after Friday's twin visitation of flood and tornado estimated the dead for the valley would reach the 250 mark.

W. J. Nissen, in charge of emsaid fatalities in his vicinity alone ergency relief work at Oxford, would reach 100. Twenty were (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

REDMOND BANDITS

in the robbery of the Dairymen's the city. bank at Redmond Wednesday. Deschutes county and his depu- be opened.

Warden James W. Lewis said the trio would be assigned to employment in the state flax plant. Ellery Thomas Holbrook was sentenced to a term of 20 years in the prison, Frank Watson and Earl Davis to terms of 18 years each.

They were apprehended by after the bank was looted.

Tomato Recipes Are Asked This Week in **Round Table Contest**

Tomato recipes are wanted by the Round Table this week and it is hoped that many new uses for this luclous summer fruit will be discovered. Recipes submitted may call for fresh, canned tomatoes or tomato

Send in as many recipes as you like but be certain that they reach The Statesman office by Thursday noon, June 6. Judging takes place in the afternoon and winers of the cash prizes are announced Friday morning together with a new

World News at a Glance

(By the Associated Press)

Tacoma, Wash .- Kidnapers, beieved headed by Alvin Karpis, public enemy No. 1, free George Weyerhaeuser, flee with \$200,-

000 ransom before west's greatest

army of man-hunters. McCook, Neb .- Fifty dead, 200 missing as floods ravage seven states; property loss \$10,000,-

NRA situation in Washington: President Roosevelt dismisses 411 lawsuits charging violations of wage and hour codes under dead NRA.

He spends weekend cruising. awaiting nation's reaction to supreme court's decision on constitutionality; tells congress he expects it to stay in session until December if necessary. United Mine Workers order

450,000 workers to strike June Senate republican spokesmen

demand quick enactment of "stop gap NRA." House liberal bloc opens cam-

paign to amend constitution. Foreign: Quetta, India-Cholera threatens homeless as quake toll estimate mounts to 30,000.

Paris - Flight of gold from France slackens as Bouisson's cabinet takes hold. Geneva-Fascists and socialists

battle on eve of Swiss election.

Baxter Promises Aid; 51st Anniversary Banquet Well Attended

Convinced that the Willamette university law school holds an important future, Dr. Bruce R. Bax- the republican attitude would be ery effort to ascertain their dead ter, president of the university, if the president made a constithis week will recommend to his tutional revision the prime issue, Late reports from the Colorado- board of trustees that further Senator Vandenberg, of Michigan, Wyoming flood region put the fa- support be given the college of who also has been mentioned as a law looking toward its standardphysical plant" in the near fu- test.

members, students and guests who

"Upon an honest and intelligent bar and a judicious and just bench depend our liberty as citizens," declared Circuit Judge Edward F. Ashhurst of Klamath Falls, an alumnus of the school here, in the chief banquet address. He held that "science has made paign issue." great strides but has never and will never give us anything greater than those rights granted stitutions."

At the speakers' table and pre-(Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

Assurance that SERA or similar assistance will be supplied for Sa- it will be an issue of outstanding lem's summer playground program again this season was given Silas Gaiser, Salem school superintendent, yesterday in a bulletin from Roben J. Maaske, assistant state superintendent of public instruction. Last year the SERA provided instructors in playground arts and crafts, lifeguards and bathhouse attendants.

Salem school district will pay the salaries of Vernon Gilmore, superintendent of recreation; Grace Wolgamott, director of Olinger field, and Gurnee Flesher, State penitentiary doors here director of Leslie field. Certain swung shut at ? o'clock last night other playground workers will be to confine the three men involved employed with funds provided by

The season officially will open They were brought here in cus- June 10, at which time it is extody of Sheriff C. L. McCauley of pected both swimming pools can

Voluntary Regulation Plea Voiced by McNary as **Decision Viewed**

Constitution Seen as Issue in 1936: Statements of Roosevelt Decried

WASHINGTON, June 1-(AP)-Swift passage of some voluntary industrial regulatory measure to replace NRA was demanded of the administration today by senate republican spokesmen.

Seeking legislation at the present session, they predicted "keen and bitter strife" if an attempt were made to amend the constitution to provide federal control of the nation's economic and social structure, regardless of state

"Let's not get gun-shy of the constitution because of this one case," said Senator McNary, of-Oregon, the minority floor leader. Everyone has suffered from the shell shock of the supreme court's decision, of course, but we ought to do something of a voluntary

Interpreting President Roosevelt's press conference statement and democratic talk of an all-summer congressional session as part of a plan to build up popular sentiment for a constitutional amendment, McNary and other republicans saw a tough political scrap ahead for 1936. Protest of Roosevelt Attitude is Voiced

While the Oregon senator would not attempt to say what candidate for the republican nomization and "betterment in the ination, registered a strong pro-

"The president set the stakes for This pledge he made in speak- the 1936 campaign yesterday, 78 alumni, faculty Vandenberg said. "He is not simply asking for federal control but attended the banquet at the Ma- for nationalization. If under any sonic temple last night honoring other flag but ours, that would the 51st anniversary of the found- be facism or communism. It isn't ing of the law branch of the uni- the length but the direction of the step.

"What he asked for yesterday was not merely for America to decide whether one section of the constitution is inadquate, but whether we should tear up the old conception and embrace the new. That inevitably is the 1936 cam-

paign issue."
Terming the president's statement that the supreme court decision had sent America back to under our state and federal con- the "horse and buggy" age as a gross and malignant exaggeration," Vanderberg declared that if the simile were justified "The democratic platform of 1932 was horse and buggy platform."

> depended on its nature. He added: If it is proposed to make Washington into a Moscow then

Senator Steiwer of Oregon

Falling Tree Is Cause of Death Of Frank Cramer

importance.'

Frank Cramer of Salem was killed instantly yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock when he was means committee. struck by a falling tree in woods 30 miles above Silverton. He was working for a logging crew of the Silver Falls Lumber com-

Cramer's wife, residing here, survives him, as do two brothers. Emil and Evertt Cramer of Silverton. The body was brought to the Ekman Funeral home at Silverton. Funeral services had not been arranged last night.

Profs' Flareup Denounced By State College Alumni

-A resolution denouncing the Am- the Alumni association of Oregon state police within a few hours erican association of University State college. Professors' committee report on Oregon higher education as biased

tutions were urged to unite in discouraging such "disturbing influences." The action was taken at damental purposes of higher eduthe association's annual meeting

mencement weekend. Full discussion of issues involved was held before the resolution was presented and passed unanimously, alumni officers re- and record of 30 years of devoted ported. Copies were ordered sent and unselfish service to higher edto all members of the state board ucation in Oregon is its own de-

CORVALLIS, Ore., June 1 .- (AP) | faculty members is deplored by

"As already pointed out by the press of the state, the release of and an "unwarranted attack on the report serves no useful purthe state board of higher educa- pose. It is an unwarranted attack tion" was passed today by the upon the state board of higher ed-Oregon State College Alumni as- ucation and tends to continue turmoil and strife after substantial Alumni and friends of the insti- progress has been made toward attainment of harmony.

"The report disregards the funcation-service to the state and its youth-and sets up the idea. that the system should be run to please disgruntled professors.

"As to the attack upon Dr. W. J. Kerr, his sterling character

Helped Pay for

Child's Release





Above, Frederick E. Weverhaens, er; below, Rudolph M. Weyerhaeuser, uncles of little George Weyerhaenser, who rushed to Tacoma from St. Paul, Minn., and are believed to have furnished the bulk of the \$200,000 ransom which freed the child Saturday morning. They are heads of the large Weychaeuser lumber interests in the middle

IS CONTEMPLATED

WASHINGTON, June 1-(AP)-A agreed it was better to amend the definite decision against any constitution than to "gradually present increase in tax rates was usurp" its powers, but said wheth- disclosed today by congressional er such an amendment would be revenues raisers as they mapped the outstanding issue next year a drive to put a tax bill on the statute books within 30 days.

the forthcoming bill would make pire within the next month and troopers. which will produce upward of ending June 30.

One tax leader, who discussed dits' Pray declared. the situation was Rep. Samuel B. Hill of Washington, ranking de-

Asserting that he was expressing his own personal view-which others privately said reflected a general understanding already reached by committeemen informally-Hill said this:

"I don't think we are going out to look for any new sources of revenue. Nor do I think it will be necessary to make any changes in the existing tax rates."

DISMISSAL OF NRA CASES IS ORDERED

WASHINGTON, June 1-(AP)-Apparently throwing off the last vestiges of restraint imposed by NRA's now dead wage-hour and fair trade practice provisions, President Roosevelt today dismissed 411 court cases involving violations of blue eagle rules. This wholesale action, coupled with an announcement that other legal actions contemplated would not be initiated, followed close after the dropping of hints in high quarters that the president would propose no stop-gap NRA legislation. And if any permanent plan was ready for submission, con- of last baseball season. gressional leaders, at least, lacked any inkling of it. Mr. Roosevelt cruised on Chesa-

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12,000 to Return Monday, All at Increased Wage. Present Indication

One Portland Firm Obtains Agreement With Men; Seattle Dark Spot .

PORTLAND, Ore., June 1 .- (AP) The march of men back to their jobs grew louder tonight as indications pointed toward a major break Monday in the Pacific Northwest lumber strike.

Many 4-L mills will resume operations under the new increased scale adopted by the loyal legion of loggers and lumbermen, declared 4-L President W. C. Rueg-

nitz of Portland. Previously, W. C. Muir, spokesman for the striking sawmill and timber workers' union, estimated at least 12,000 would be back at work Monday under compromise agreements with operators, granting higher wages.

Since then more agreements have been reached, and if any (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

FIRES AND PLAGUE

Cholera is Feared: Doctors and Nurses Rushed to Devastated Region

day)-Fires flaring in the ruins of this city of death, devastated by earthquakes at a loss of life estimated at 30,000, burned them- their efforts to capture occupants time Seattle police reporters, sinselves out today, but authorities of the tan sedan before darkness feared an outbreak of cholera.

Doctors, nurses and medical equipment were being rushed here by airplanes after most of the fear-stricken, scantily-clad survivors spent another night under the open sky, shying away from shelters erected by soldiers.

Floods accompanied the fire which raced through the devastated area last night, threatening to swell still further the roll of dead

ALL OREGON POLICE COOPERATING, WORD

All Oregon state police were put on the lookout for kidnapers of George Weyerhaeuser, 9, by orders of Charles P. Pray, state

superintendent, yesterday. Descriptions of the men suspected of the kidnaping and de-They indicated, however, that scriptions of the autos they were alleged to have operated were repermanent, instead of extending ceived at police headquarters for one year, the present "tempor- here yesterday morning and were ary nuisance" taxes which ex- promptly relayed to all state

"My men have been instructed \$400,000,000 in the financial year to do everything possible to assist in the capture of these ban-

Side roads will be watched closely and all persons resembling mocrat on the house ways and the kidnapers will be questioned, Pray said.

Pray said his department was in close touch with the federal government authorities working on the case. Pray himself was at one time a federal agent.

EMIGH WILL COACH TEAMS AT ASTORIA

ASTORIA, Ore., June 1 .- (AP)-George Elmer Emigh, 27, assistant coach at Jefferson high in Portland, will succeed "Honest John" Warren as coach of Astoria high, it was announced today. Emigh. Oregon State college graduate, was elected at a special meeting of the school board here

last night-and announced accept-

ance today. Emigh coached at Burns for two years upon his graduation and in 1933 took his team to the state basketball tournament. He has been assistant at Jefferson during the past year. He is a son-inlaw of Major-General George A. White.

Emigh played an outfield position for the Salem Senators part

START MANEUVERS

MARCH OF MEN Oregon Police Believed to Have Weyerhaeuser Kidnapers Bottled Up in Northeast Part of State

Tan Sedan Outspeeds Officers; Net Drawn Around Umatilla Area

District 45 Miles in Diameter Hemmed in by Police: Five or Six Men in Machine Which Eludes Sheriff's Aides

ENDLETON, Ore., June 1—(AP)—Search for the Weyerhaeuser kidnapers centered tonight in northeastern Oregon with county and state officers tightening their net in attempts to corner a tan sedan which sped past two deputies at a 98-mile an hour clip and outdistanced them.

The tan sedan which the deputies said carried five or six men, was believed bottled up in -

an area 45 miles in diameter, in northern Umatilla county. Two deputies from the Umatilla county sheriff's office were cruising eastward from Umatilla when the tan thunderbolt whizzed past so fast they didn't even see what make of car it was or what type of license it carried.

Hot in pursuit, the officers spurred their car to 91 miles an hour but soon lost the sedan. However it was learned the car turned off the Umatilla cutoff before reaching Wallula, Wash. With the broad Columbia river hemming them on the north, the only alternative route would be the Pennsylvania Dutch counties, for the men to head southward slept undisturbed tonight for the toward Holdman and a compre- first time since nine-year-old officers.

aided the fugitives.

It was believed the fleeing men turned southward at Cold Springs, of about 75 news men from all Ore., toward Holdman. At the lit- parts of the country, to interview tle road marker called Holdman there is only one telephone and the ranchers living there said taxicab with the boy so rival news they had been in the back of the men would not discover his find. house earlier in the evening and would not have known if the sedan sped past in the twilight.

Two deputies took a station on suite fitted up as a branch news the Holdman - Pendleton road, about two miles north of Holdman. Besides the road south from | gan writing. Holdman to Pendleton was a little-used canyon road from Holdman to Helix, on the east, A road pounded a typewriter. And the ers drew in again the names of eastward from Helix connects copy fairly flew from the "mill." notorious Alvin Karpis and his with Athena, which is on the main highway from Pendleton to copy boy and the society editor before releasing Edward G. Brem-Walla Walla. Two state police and a cub reporter were proud to guarded the Athena section of be kept busy dictating the story the road from Helix and Hold-

Other deputies were scattered hroughout the area and city officers watched approaches to Pendelton.

Steeds Are Sued For \$10,000 Due To Auto Smashup

Damages of \$10,000 are sought

rom Wallace Steed and J. Lyman Steed in an automobile accident suit filed in circuit court here yesterday. B. A. Wagner, administrator of the estate of the late John A. Wagner brings the suit, alleging that the boy, 14 years old, died as a result of accident injuries he sustained February 17. Young Wagner was riding with Wallace Steed in the car of the latter's father, the plaintiff alleges. The car overturned on the road leading east from Salem at a distance one mile from the city limits. Plaintiff alleges the care-

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Johnny Dreher Was Pest of

Newsroom Over Kidnap,

but He Cashes In

TACOMA, Wash., June 1 .- (AP)-

John H. Dreher, who grew up in

George Weyerhaeuser was kidnap-

For "Johnny", last of the old-

glehanded staged the biggest news

scoop" in the Pacific northwest

in years. He was the only one, out

George. And he interviewed him.

lying on the floor of a speeding

\$200,000 boy to his parents Mr.

and Mrs. J. P. Weyerhaeuser, jr.,

room of the Seattle Times and be-

ed a week ago yesterday noon.

Code prices for the 1935 black Weyerhaeuser's statement: raspberry crop as set by the control board for the marketing agreement in Oregon were announced last night by B. M. Le-Fevre, administrator. The board's requirements he listed as follows: pulled me into the tan sedan. "For ripe, whole berries, free from mold or crushed fruit, de- and covered me with this bianlivered at usual place of delivery, ket. It certainly is dirty, isn't it? not less than 5 cents per green pound to growers, and for well drove. They told me I wouldn't ripened and well colored berries be hurt if I didn't yell out, and I in the dry state, free from mold-

22 1/2 cents per dry pound to the grower." control board organized, electing bottom of the blank paper." A. S. Mellinger of Newberg as president, George Paulus of Sa- six in the kidnaping but I only lem as vice president, W. E. saw three. They called one an-Jenks of Salem as secretary and other Bill, Harry and Alven. less driving of Wallace Steed LeFevre as administrator-treas-

Van Winkle said that while he

on the conduct of his department.

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this office sat with you in con-

kle's letter continued.

Karpis Mob Clue is Given New Impetus: Ransom Paid, Announced

Boy's Own Story of Men's Actions and Treatment is Told in Detail

PENDLETON, Ore., June 2-(Sunday)-(A)-Convinced that a tan sedan with Weyerhaeuser kidnap suspects was bottled up in northeastern Oregon, officers stood by their guns at strategic points through early morning hours today waiting for dawn to close their net.

Congright, 1935, by Associated Press) TACOMA, June 1-(P)-Ransomed for \$200,000, little George Weyerhaeuser was freed by his kidnapers today while a spreading hunt for his abductors closed around a mystery automobile speeding through northeastern

Oregon tonight. The Pacific northwest's greatest mannunt, unleashed when the nine-year-old boy was returned home, was intensified in a 45 mile area of northern Umatilla county. Oregon. Immediate object of the chase was a tan sedan, carrying five or six men, which outdistanced Oregon officers in a wild dash of nearly 100 miles per hour. Hemmed in on one side by the Columbia river, the car was believed heading southward toward Holdman and a tightening ring of

And after he had delivered the officers from whom no quarter could be expected. Descriptions of two unnamed Dreher panted up to the hotel men were ordered circularized as "probable" suspects, meanwhile by the Washington state patrol. While hysterical parents lav-For three hours, the 59-year ished attention on the curly-hairold, grin-wrinkled newspaper man ed youth, the hunt for his snatch-The courthouse reporter was his kidnap gang, who got \$200,000

> er as their captive. Members of the family issued a statement late today revealing ransom demands had been met "through the assistance of friends.'

No word was revealed when the contact was made which resulted in freedom for George in a lonely wooded area near Issaquah before dawn today.

Highlights of little George

(Copyright, 1935, by The Associated Press and Seattle Times.) "I'm awfully glad to get back. "A man grabbed me and put his hand over my mouth and "He put me down in the back

And then we drove and drove and didn't want to be hurt so I kept sticks, and leaves-not less than my mouth shut.

"I signed my name three times. Once on that envelope, once on At its meeting last week the the ransom note, and once at the "The men told me there were

> "They let me read all the news-(Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS Says of Board's Charges INTEREST REDUCED

Salem banks will reduce interest rates on savings accounts to partment had been "slow and did not care to question the com- one and one-half per cent a year, unresponsive in furnishing urg- mission's authority to employ an effective July 1, it was learned ently needed legal opinions," At- attorney he desired to controvert here yesterday, following antorney General Van Wikle de- certain statements made at the nouncement that the new rate meeting on May 28 reflecting up- would be effective in all clearing house banks in Portland after "These statements were wholly that date. Rates now paid are two per cent a year. Certain restrictions will prevail on the payment of the interest, the depositor being required to maintain the account for six months in order

to receive payment, The liquor commission also ference and was informed that Existing rates paid on savings charged that Van Winkle had you had decided to rely upon the accounts here are on a two per failed to complete and deliver a attorney general's office for lenew set of regulations and that gal services. At that time and in cent a year basis. The new rate ABOARD U. S. S. PENNSYL neither he, nor members of his numerous succeeding conferences will be the lowest ever paid on