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The Weather Unsettled with rain today and Friday, continued mild; Max. Temp. Wednesday 49, Min. 48; rain .19 inch, river 9.6 feet, cloudy, south wind.

**EIGHTY-FIFTH YEAR** 

## Salem, Oregon, Thursday Morning, February 27, 1936 Price 3c; Newsstands 5c No. 289 Avalanche Engults Train, 4 Feared Lost Tokyo Reports Conflict; Guards Patrol Streets Rescue Crews Save TwoMen, Wreckage Emperor Aids Salem Citizens Asked Santiam Water **Sloan's Widow** Accepts Federal Of N.P. Line Car Cost Cutting Job To Raise \$5000, Help **Claims Exceed** Tells Events, Attempt, Form Slaying Night Snow Slide Roars Down Mountain in Fresh Cabinet Stream's Flow Mill City Mill Co-op Coeur d'Alenes; Passenger Car **Uncoupled, Swept Into Canyon** 900 Rebel Soldiers are \$15,000 Cash Raised in Lumber Town, \$10,000 in Present Users May Take Woman First Witness as Rights to Court if Withdrawing From Trial of Kyle Opens, Notes Pledged; Funds Subscribed Here Salem Steps In Murder Charges Seized Offices to Be Used as Working Capital Washouts Delay Train Service and **Block Old Oregon Trail Near** City May Divert Share of **Defense Moves to Reduce Compromise** Agreement CALEM people will be asked to subscribe \$5000 in pre-Mill Ditch Water for Charge, Manslaughter; **Blalock; Chinook Blamed** Sought, Report; New ferred or common stock of the Mill City Lumber com-Domestic Use War is Feared pany in a campaign starting next Monday, it was de-Argue This Morning

(Copyright, 1936, by Associated Press) TOKYO, Feb. 27 -(AP)- Fears of an armed showdown between military rebels and loyal government troops heightened today while Japan's imperial ruler, Hiohito, renewed efforts to replace the governmental administration that was blasted from power by assassins' guns. The surviving leaders of the empire-members of the cabinet of the assassinated Premier Keisuke Okada, supreme war councillors and other high militarists-convened at Hirohito's palace' to select a new premier. Government ministers declared they intended to remain in the palace until a new regime was named,

cided last night at a meeting at the chamber of commerce rooms here in which the industrial committee of the chamber met with representatives of the newly organized Mill City Lumber company.

Linn Scouts Win

Troops 9, 12 of Salem and 20 of Silverton Earn **Judges' B Rating** 

> three-fourths of a mile from Mill City, in Linn county. Cash totaling \$15.000 has been raised at Mill City for the new plant, while bankable notes totaling \$10,000 have also been secur-

the North Santiam river above Stayton greatly exceed the dry season flow of the stream, figures obtained Wednesday at the state engineer's office revealed in connection with the question as to whether Salem could obtain water there for a municipal supply, and whether it would be necessary for of the mill should begin by May 1. A crew of 15 men is working the city to pay a considerable sum to A. D. Gardner, sr., undisputed on the new plant, which will be owner of a major share of these located on a 30-acre pond formerrights. ly owned by the Hammond Lum-Salem already has rights in the

ber company. The mill will be Santiam above Stayton to water sufficient for its municipal supply, it was discovered, but whether these rights could be translated from power to municipal supply rights with intake at a difrent point, remains to be es-

Claims upon water rights in P Senate to Study McNary Declines Position on Committee, Urges

test it by making a showing that

the user will be injured. This

probably would make adjudication

necessary and Salem could obtain

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**Author Objects** 

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26. - (AP)-

enactment

Doesn't Jibe With

F. R.'s Program

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26 .- (AP)-Senator Byrd (D.-Va.) tonight over ons of the

"My goodness, I've just killed man. Someone was grappling with me. I shot him. He's dead all right. But I am sure it wasn't Jean.

Mrs. Lucy B. Sloan was on the stand as first witness for the state late yesterday as taking of testi-**Bureau Slashing** mony began in the first - degree murder charge being pressed against John Kyle, 65, for the al-

leged murder of Hugh Jean Sloan. She was giving Kyle's version of the murder as told to her the morning of the slaying.

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**China Now Feared** 

British Feel Situation in

Tokyo Is Ominous;

**Russia Watches** 

LONDON, Feb. 26-(AP)-British

officialdom expressed two fears

today over possible results of the

military coup in Tokyo-Japan-

Authoritative observers felt the

1. Lack of more forceful action

by the Japanese government in

Manchoukuoan-Mongolian border

It was believed these events en-

MOSCOW, Feb. 27-(Thursdoy)

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Japanese military revolt was in-

spired by three developments:

ese war with Russia and a renew-

ed drive against China.

Lack of Action in

**Border Dispute Cited** 

Mrs. Sloan is the mother of the dead man. In circuit court yesterday she told directly and with

scarcely a pause the events of the fateful evening and early morning at Broadacres when her son met

to 10 feet of snow. The missing were Thomas Byall, conductor, and F. A. McLean, brakeman, both of Missoula, Mont., and an unidentified man and woman passenger. Florin was believed at first to be the only victim in the car with the two railwaymen, but reports from stations Oalong the branch line from Missoula indicated the other two

WALLACE, Idaho, Feb. 26.-(AP)-Rescue crews dug

passenger coach which a roaring avalanche swept from the

Northern Pacific railroad tracks in the Coeur d'Alene moun-

lace, were found in wreckage of the coach under from five

two injured passengers from snow and wreckage to-

night, but fears grew that four lives were lost in the

E. C. "Mickey" Florin and H. E. Wheeler, both of Wal-



Proceeds from the sale will be used for working capital in the new plant, construction of which is already under way. The Mill First Aid Honors City delegation last night, consisting of T. W. Allen, J. F. Potter and D. B. Hill, said operation

High scores by all the contesting teams was the feature of the first annual first aid contest held

last night in the high school gymnasium under the sponsorship of the Cascade area, Boy Scouts of ed. These will be paid off with

lerable inous infantry held the headquarters of the Metropolitan police, and a liquidation of the crisis - possible with more bloodshed - between the government and the insurgents appeared threatened.

## (By the Associated Press) Martial law was still in force in Tokyo Thursday after an attempt-

ed military coup in which three government leaders were killed, and Japan's surviving statesmen sought to form a new cabinet.

The government said order had been restored, but guards patrolled the palace grounds and other parts of the city. Warships were at strategic points.

The venerable officials, meeting with the emperor in the imperial palace, sought to organize a cabinet after Fumio Goto, who accepted the premiership temporarily, resigned because of inability to form a cabinet.

**Finance** Minister

Not Killed, Asserted

The bloody uprising brought death to Premier Keisuke Okada, former Premier Viscount Makoto Saito and Gen. Jotaro Watanabe, chief of military education. Korekiyo Takahashi, finance minister, was said by the Domei News agency to have been killed, although the government said he was alive. The agency also stated Admiral Kantaro Suzuki, Lord Chamberlain of the imperial court, was seriously wounded and would die.

Experienced observers said the army revolters sought to establish military dictatorship, eliminating statesmen who blocked their path.

Dispatches from Shanghai reported the Domei agency stated that rebellious forces, numbering 900, had begun to withdraw peacefully from government buildings which they seized Wednes-

## World Powers Eying Situation

Every major world power, in disturbed Europe and neutral America, watched the developing situation with anxiety, as also did ancient China.

The Japanese government claimed the situation was under control, but two fleets were called in from the high seas for duty in Tokyo and Osaka. Martial law was proclaimed many hours after the revolt broke out.

Young fascist-minded army officers who led the attempted coup at dawn Wednesday said they wanted "to remove corrupt influences from around the throne."

They called out into the snow and assassinated Keisuke Okada. premier; Admiral Viscount Mako-(Turn to Page 2, Col. 8)

Linn Lad, 13 **To Apply For Cougar Bounty** ALBANY, Ore., Feb. 26-(P) - Thomas Hufford, 18, collected \$2 on a wildcat pelt here today and told the county clerk he had the skin of an eight-foot cougar to bring is "as soon as it gets

America. Albany, Lebanon Troops Rank Highest Of seven troop teams entering

the contest six achieved either A or B rating. Troop 21 of Albany and troop 51 of Lebanon placed high with A ratings, while troop 28 of Monmouth, troop 20 of Silverton and troops 9 and 12 of

Salem were classed in the B section. The program included a safety talk by Lieutenant Max Alford of the state police, an outline of a good safety program by "Scot-

ty" Aiken, a clown stunt by troop 12 and a highway safety demonstration by troop 4. Judges and umpires for the

first aid contest were John B. Patterson, Milton L. Meyers, Mr. and Mrs. David Wright, Arthur White, A. C. Baker, Dr. Laban A. Steeves, Lieutenant Ernest Knapp, Mrs. O. Donnelly, Harold Dickey and Lieutenant Alford, all of

Salem: Earl LaFond of Albany, Frank L. Davis of Dallas, Mrs. Ferris D. White of Albany and Merwin Gilson of Lebanon. Dr. B. F. Pound acted as chairman for the program.

**Borah Offers**'to Run, New Jersey

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.-(AP)-A conditional offer by Senator Borah dential primary today increased signed prospects for a head-on clash be-

nor Landon, of Kansas, for the mented, "The world is too full republican nomination. The drive for Borah delegates ment of the selection of a run- seashore last night. ning mate for the Idahoan in the

named.

Borah said of this: admirable choice."

**Postoffice, Banks Balking** 

ATLANTA, Feb. 26. - (AP) - De- 1 pository banks, the United States session." he declared. postoffice and the state attorney general struck today at the fin-

gia. Mail addressed to the officers ton. suspended Monday by Talmadge.

Treasurer George B. Hamilton and Comptroller General William B. Harrison, was impounded, cutting off the flow of tax remittan-Banks Refuse to

ficers.

Honor State Checks Banks declined to honor state checks pending a court decision on the legal status of de facto of-

he appeared to cash a \$109,000 check at the Fulton National Attorney General M. J. Yeo-

bank, a state depository. He went mans, once cited by Talmadge as to the bank accompanied by two man, it was said. an authority for his actions, de-

tablished. labor furnished by Mill City men **Question of Rights** in erecting the new plant. Found Involved Complete equipment for the The question of water rights new mill has been purchased and laws pertaining thereto is an

through the acquisition of a plant involved one, particularly in the at Clatskanie, most of which has case of a stream such as the already been moved to Mill City. North Santiam which has never (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1) been adjudicated, but several facts stand out clearly:

Man Who Shot Sea 1. Salem undoubtedly can establish a "preferred" claim to Santiam water if it desires to obtain it for a municipal supply. Lion Threatened 2. If Salem files such a claim. any one of the present users of Santiam water for power, irrigat-

tion and other purposes may con-**Postal Inspectors Check** on Writer of Letter;

Finegan at Sea

the rights by paying the injured PORTLAND, Feb. 26 .- (AP)-Repercussions of "Mrs. Finegan's" visit to inland Oregon came today Seed Loans' Veto in the form of a threatening let-

ter. "Mrs. Finegan" is the belligerent sea-lion who was found in a grain field near Canby and taken back to the Pacific ocean at

Nelscott. Letter Sent to Houseboatman

The letter, typewritten, was re-ceived by Herbert Douthit, Oregon City fisherman who was so frightened by the sea-lion's presence on a float near his houseboat that he let loose a shotgun ate over President Roosevelt's charge which somewhat damaged veto of the \$50,000,000 seed loan

"Mrs. Finegan's" left eye, Postal inspectors took fingerto enter the New Jersey presi- prints from the letter. It was "Ben Raleigh" and said, in part, "If I ever meet I'll hantween the Idahoan and Gover- dle you, and how." It also com-

The executive declined to sign the measure with an explanation of killers.' his financial program had not State police said "Mrs. Finetaken it into consideration, and in Ohio tonight brought announce- gan" appeared glad to reach the that congress had failed to pro-

vide revenue for the additional They said she lunged through drain on the treasury. forthcoming primaries of that ropes criss-crossed to close the state. Frank E. Gannett, publish- back end of the truck, slashed however, that he would order a er of a chain of newspapers, was savagely with her teeth only a

few inches from F. O. Haldeman of the geodetic survey, lunged aid farmers still in distress from "I have a very high opinion of at a nearby dog, rolled over and Mr. Gannett, I think it is a most over in the loose sand and fi-

"unforeseen disasters," Robinson. who had hoped for presidential approval, advised against further nally lumbered into the surf. But the bill's author, Chairman Smith (D-SC) of the agriculture committee, said he would insist,

Georgia Chief's 'Dictation' in the past.' "There ain't gonna be no extra

First to act was Postmaster Lon Livingston who announced toancial "dictatorship" set up by day he was impounding letters ad-Gov. Eugene Talmadge of Geor- dressed to Harrison and Hamilton pending a ruling from Washing-

Strike at Ladder **Guardsmen** in "Civies" Eject Two Officials The two officials were forcibly TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 26.-(AP)ejected Monday from their offi-The defense, fighting desperately ces by national guardsmen clad to save Bruno Richard Hauptin civilian attire upon order of mann from death in the electric

Talmadge, after their refusal to chair five weeks hence, is ready countersign a \$139,000 warrant. J. B. "Tobe" Daniel, de facto ladder, it was authoritatively distreasurer appointed to replace closed tonight. Hamilton, was turned down when

A report that the ladder was "framed" evidence is now being prepared and will shortly be pre- as, 145, fall; Morris, 155, fall; sented to Gov. Harold G. Hoff- Young, 175, decision.

death at Kyle's hands. tasks ever given a member of Talked to Kyle congress, accepting from Vice-At Front Door President Garner the chairman-"Mr. Kyle awakened me and I

ship of a special committee to opened the front door to talk to study ways of cutting government him," she said. "The man I killed costs by abolishing useless agenwas a big fellow," Kyle declared, cies and coordinating others. according to Mrs. Sloan. "He wore Previous efforts to accomplish overalls and I saw the straps over the same end have met with lithis shoulders."

tle success. "I never thought that the man McNary, Robinson killed on the adjoining farm was Named on Committee ny son," Mrs. Sloan continued. "I Others named on the committold Mr. Kyle when he asked me tee with Byrd, whose resolution what he should do to go to the called for its creation, were the house of Joe Smith, a neighbor,

democratic and republican leaders, Robinson of Arkansas and McNary of Oregon, and Senators **New Drive Against** O'Mahoney (D.-Wyo.) and Townsend (R. Del.). McNary told reporters he

SENATOR BYRD

Steiwer as Sub

would decline the appointment because he was "too busy.' and would recommend his colleague. Senator Steiwer (R.-Ore.), for

the place. Byrd, a frequent critic of new **Stirs Revolt Talk** deal spendings, made a record for himself as Virginia's governor in reorganizing state bureaus

and balancing the budget. **Robinson Advises Against** Move to Override; **Floods Menacing** Midwest States

A threat of a revolt in the sen-CHICAGO, Feb. 26.-(AP) - Flood bill today brought a speech from waters surging from ice clogged Majority Leader Robinson advisstreams forced hundreds of pering against efforts toward resons to flee to higher ground to-

disputes. day. 2. The sudden unexplained halt Rising tributaries of the Monof Japanese penetration in North ongahela and Allegheny rivers in China last November. Pennsylvania inundated streets in 3. Dismissal of Gen. Jinzaburo many communities and routed Mazaki, former inspector general several hundred from their homes. Rescuers carried scores of the stranded from marooned houses Watanabe, was reported assassin row boats. inated.

More than 100 families left On Mr. Roosevelt's assurance. their homes in Buena Vista after raged military forces and their perintendent, would not say that a Wild Cat creek ice gorge broke. transfer of work relief funds to anger was further heightened by Big flows sweeping down the clashes between the military and perintendent Charles Pray, who Wheeling Creek valley in Ohio civilian elements. wrecked the general store at Bar-

ton and put the water pumping plant out of commission. Heavy snows in South Dakota. Wisconsin, Upper Michigan, Minnesota and northwestern Iowa

nevertheless, on a vote to overhighways were blocked. ride because "the need for the money today is as great as it was Fifteen persons were injured in windstorm at Turley, Okla. A Robinson's speech generally

was regarded as killing any chances for passage over the veto.

**Bruno** Defense to

-(AP)-Oregon State and Linfield college divided honors in a wrestling tournament here tonight. each taking five matches. Six were decided by decisions and four by falls.

ed Shults, 135, decision; Stidd, to renew its attack on the kidnap | 135, decision; Bennett, 155, decision; Cornwall, 165, decision; Bearrs, heavyweight, fall. Linfield winners: O'Mara, 126.

planted

At Gould Proposal from Lookout Summit of the res-cue. Railway officials here were

ed down.

tains late today.

Refuses to Grant Winner two men's injuries, but they are of Competition Big **Travel Account** 

must govern the competition.

razed by fire nearly a year ago.

**3 State Troopers** 

now being promulgated.

its organization.

who died Sunday.

night for the victims. Unlikely Four to Be Found Alive

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 26-(AP)-The lookout station operator Carl F. Gould of Seattle, architecreported tersely: "Unlikely they tural adviser of the Oregon State will be found alive." The snow-Capitol commission, ran into the slide occurred at 5 p. m.

stone wall of economy again to-Harry Olson, a truck driver day. His suggestion that the archi- from Wallace, gave a vivid destect winning the contract for Ore- cription tonight of the catastrogon's statehouse be given \$5.000 phe. for traveling expenses was turn-

not informed of the extent of the

expected to recover. Seventy-five

men were digging frantically to-

"I was driving along the highway when I heard the deafening Last week Gould's proposals roar of the slide," Olson said. "I met 50-50 response-his plan to jumped out of my truck and ran. pay the winning architect 6 per The avalanche just touched my cent of the gross cost was adopted truck as it swept down the hill. but his suggestion that another "It looked like a whole moun-

11/2 per cent of special engineertainside rushing by. Trees and ing surveys for ventilation and debris were whirled along in the electrical installation be borne by snow.' the commission was turned down.

Reports from railway officials The commission today also voted to withdraw from the rules of at Missoula said the slide was 800 the nation-wide contest the pro- feet long and an average of 12 vision that regulations of the feet deep. The Montana highway American institute of architects patrol said the road was blocked and probably could not be cleared The commission decided not to for 24 hours. divulge the names of the jury for

Special trains left tonight from the contest, rules of which are Wallace and Missoula, Northern Pacific officials said. They car-The \$2,500.000 statehouse at ried food, blankets and provisions. Salem will replace the structure Seventy-five men were working frantically at the scene.

## Engine, Mail Car **Remain on Tracks**

Northern Pacific officials here Resign Positions said the reports from Lookout Summit said the avalanche rolled down the steep mountainside with crushing force and split with a Albert Niles, George Thomason | terrific roar above the train, comand Ed Leverich, all stationed at prised of an engine, mail car and Salem, submitted their resignapassenger coach. Half of it caught of the military education depart- tions as state policemen yester- the coach, broke the couplings and ment whose successor, Gen. Jotaro day. All three of the men have swept the car into the canyon bebeen with the department since low.

> The other half of the slide pass-George Alexander, assistant sued ahead of the engine and behind a rotary snowplow that was openthe men had been discharged. Suing the line through a blizenri which lashed the region of the could not be reached, was repass. The train, due in Wallace ported to be in Baker to attend at 4:30 p. m., was running late. the funeral of Captain Lee Noe,

Aboard the engine were Richard Dickman, Missoula, engineer, and John Doering, Missoula fireman, the single rail clerk, Paul Reynolds, Missoula, also was safe. They said splinters of the demolished coach were visible on the snow field.

PORTLAND, Feb. 26.- (AP) -Washouts near Blalock, 40 miles east of The Dalles, delayed train service and blocked the old Oregon trail tonight. Union Pacific officials said damage to the roadwas being repaired rapidly t-ed

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**Judging Begins Today Noon on Scallop Ideas** 

The recipe contest for scalloped dishes closes at noon today and all entries must reach The Statesman office by that time to be eligible for one of the three cash prizes.

se send in



McMINNVILLE, Ore., Feb. 26.

Oregon State's winners includ-

decision, Monnis, 145, fall; Thom-

Suggests Impartial Board to Administer Melson's idea would be for the

Melson Proposes Use of Old hampered transportation. Many Federal Camp as Play Park

City.

A six-acre park for the use of | Mehama to Mill City and is readiboys and girls of Marion county ly accessible from Salem, -and their parents-is proposed The commission thinks it would by County Commissioner Roy Mel- be unfortunate if the beautificason from the transient camp mid- tion of the six-acre tract begun

way between Mehama and Mill by the federal government, would go to waste. Whatever board was This camp, soon to be aban- put in charge of the acreage doned by the United States gov- should arrange for a caretaker for ernment, is located on land be- at least a portion of the year, Mellonging to Marion county. Since son opines. He would like to have

the camp was set up there two suggestions from community oryears ago an excellent recreation ganizations on the proper administrative body to handle the park. hall has been built, along with ccok and bunkhouses. The county could not afford to Underbrush has been cleared give the park, in trust, to any one

church or service group, in his away and a considerable amount of rock work done. Hundreds of opinion. and shrubs have been **Transient** Camp flowers

**Being Mobilized** Transient camps are being demobilized by the government, Melson declared. This week more

