

Tomorrow
The Statesman celebrates its 85th birthday tomorrow.

The Weather
Unsettled with light showers today and Saturday.

Claim Profits Made by Townsend Leaders

Further Delay Of Hauptmann Fate Is Asked

Wood Expert Loney Says Rail of Ladder Isn't From Attic Floor

Governor Has No Power to Stop Execution; Board May Confer

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TRENTON, N. J., March 26.—An authoritative source disclosed tonight that Arch W. Loney, federal wood expert engaged by Governor Harold G. Hoffman to study the Lindbergh kidnap ladder, telephoned Attorney General David T. Wilentz asking him to agree to a 30-day reprieve for Bruno Richard Hauptmann.

Loney made the call a few hours after he and Governor Hoffman returned to Trenton from the Bronx where the governor went today to inspect for himself the attic of the house where Hauptmann lived before his arrest and from which, the state contends, rail 16 of the ladder was taken.

Hauptmann, scheduled to die in the electric chair Tuesday night, was saved once before by reprieve. On January 16, the day before he was to be executed the governor signed a 30-day reprieve.

The governor, conceding he has no further reprieve powers, said yesterday only the court of pardons or judicial intervention can save the convicted Lindbergh baby killer. If a situation warrants it, however, he said, he will ask the attorney general to join him in an application for a judicial stay of execution.

The attorney general, asked about the call from Loney, said he had "no comment" to make. Loney told the governor tonight he did not believe the rail came from Hauptmann's attic.

During the Flemington trial, Loney, then a PWA wood expert telegraphed Edward J. Reilly, chief defense counsel, he was willing to testify for the defense if he had more time to study the ladder. He said then he did not think Hauptmann built it.

Hauptmann's prosecutors and the governor sharply disagreed on the results of the governor's inspection of the attic.

Prosecutor Arthur M. Hauck Jr., of Hunterdon county, contended the governor's examination supported the state's claim the rail had formed part of the attic flooring.

Hauck to Fight Any Motion for Acquittal
But even at Hauck was making this statement, the governor was issuing another quoting the opinion (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Paine to Set Up Campaign Office

PORTLAND, Ore., March 26.—Charles L. Paine, state Townsend campaign manager, set up headquarters for Oregon's Townsend political candidates today, giving as his authority a telegram from Hal Slemmons, regional director at Los Angeles.

Paine commented today, "I believe all patriotic Townsends will support the men selected by these boards, and I don't believe any Townsend candidate will run in opposition to those selected."

Fighting Spreads to Mongol Border With Guns, Planes in Use

Japanese and Manchoukuo Forces Battle Fiercely With Natives in Russian Territory Says Moscow; Invaders Hold Advantage

MOSCOW, March 26.—(AP)—Fighting that broke out Wednesday on the soviet-Manchoukuo border spread today to the frontier of Outer Mongolia, where cannon and airplanes were brought into play in a series of clashes.

Soviet press advices said Japanese and Manchoukuoan forces were concentrating along the frontier near Norin lake, with the evident purpose of renewing their alleged attempt to capture a Mongolian frontier post from which they were forced back today.

At dawn, the Japanese and Manchoukuoans were said to have occupied the border position after crossing the Hoshingko river. They remained until afternoon, when they withdrew to Manchoukuo. (Turn to Page 13, Col. 6)

Dobson, Allen To Seek High State Offices

Alfred P. Dobson of Portland, will file for the democratic nomination for attorney-general, it was learned here authentically late yesterday, while Jack Allen, also prominent in the party and former administrator of the state liquor system, will seek the party's approval for the office of state treasurer. U. S. Burt of Corvallis has already filed for the democratic nomination for the treasurership.

Dobson has been employed as special attorney for the utilities commissioner since early in 1935. He handled the preparation and argument of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company rate case. Four years ago Dobson opposed Attorney-General Van Winkle.

Allen, a druggist at Pendleton, served a portion of one term as state senator from Umatilla county. He resigned to take the liquor administrator's job and resigned from that post through disagreement with the commissioners.

Burglar Suspect Arrested, Eugene

EUGENE, March 26.—(AP)—Edward Collins, negro, furnished \$2000 bail and was released from the county jail here Thursday following his plea of not guilty to charges of burglary in a dwelling in Junction City, Ore.

He was arrested by state police following a series of burglaries in Junction City. He is to be tried in the June term of court. State police here said they had no evidence connecting Collins with a series of "pants pocket" thefts in Salem.

Collins is reported by Salem police to be the same negro they investigated while he was in custody. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Sundland Admits Drunken Driving, Draws \$100 Fine

Carl Sundland, arrested by city police recently on a charge of drunken driving, changed his plea to one of guilty at the time for his scheduled trial yesterday afternoon. Municipal Judge Jones imposed the penalty he has made the minimum practice, \$100 fine, 30-day suspended jail sentence, six months' probation and year's suspension of driver's license.

Clearance of this case left the court judge with the record of no contested drunken driving cases.

Dancy and Reasoner Seeking Same Office; Alderin Files

Three more candidates for city offices filed official notice with the city recorder yesterday and a fourth announced he would file before Monday. The day's announcements left but one office still lacking a candidate. Those filing yesterday were:

For alderman—W. H. "Jack" Dancy and Rev. N. J. Reasoner, both third ward.

Dust Storm in Washington Is Obscuring Sun

Blows Wheat Seed From Ground Near Yakima; Traffic Hampered

Movie Party Snowbound; Oklahoma Suffering, South Has Frosts

(By the Associated Press)

Dust storms rolled over scattered portions of Washington today, delaying motorists and obscuring the sun.

Heavy winds raised clouds of dust over the entire wheat belt near Pasco, in south central Washington. Low visibility stopped automobile travel.

A 42-mile-an-hour wind, laden with dust, swept through Seattle streets.

At Walla Walla, in southeastern Washington, street lights were turned on shortly after noon when dust reduced visibility to 400 yards.

The sun was barely visible in Spokane, in eastern Washington. No damage was reported.

Central Idaho Is Swept by Blizzard
A spring blizzard swept the prairies and mountains of central Idaho leaving a foot of new snow in the highlands.

The Samuel Goldwyn motion picture troupe on location in Clear Water forest, 150 miles northeast of Lewiston, Ida., was snow-bound in its camp and threatened with an influenza epidemic.

A locomotive snowplow was dispatched to open a logging railroad into the camp and rush medical supplies to film workers.

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Thousands Attend Spring Show Here

Weather No Deterrent to Many Who See Parade and New Fashions

Blustery March weather did not deter thousands of townsfolk and people from the surrounding territory from viewing Salem's displays of spring merchandise last night. Windows were promptly unveiled at 7:30 o'clock and for two hours downtown streets were jammed with onlookers.

Boy Scouts took the lead in the downtown parade and later put on a display of their work in the Eckerlein building on North Liberty street. Five bands participated in the parade.

Commissions to State Chiefs Excessive Says Probe Counsel

Pension Paper Share Sold by Ex-Secretary

Clements Given \$50,000 for Half Interest in Townsend Weekly

Has Shared With Founder Equally; Money to Go to Movement Now

(By the Associated Press)

LOS ANGELES, March 26.—(AP)—Dr. Francis E. Townsend today disclosed details of a transaction in which R. E. Clements, resigned secretary-treasurer of the old-age pension movement, sold his 50 per cent interest in the Townsend Weekly.

Clements received \$50,000, Townsend said. The board of directors used \$40,000 in accumulated profits to buy Clements' interest, and borrowed the remaining \$10,000 from a bank.

The Weekly, with a circulation estimated at 250,000, "has been making money for six or eight months."

Hereafter, he said, 90 per cent of the Weekly profits will go to the treasury of the old-age pension movement "as long as there is need for it."

Previously Split
Previously Townsend and Clements shared equally in profits, Townsend said. He said he would retain 11 of the 20 shares of stock, that nine would be held in trust and that he would accept only 10 per cent of the net profits of the publication.

Townsend said "a Los Angeles business man" had been selected as Clements' successor, but that his name would not be announced for several days.

Townsend denied emphatically that he and Clements "almost need for it."

Call to Put City Upon Cash Basis

A \$19,000 warrant call today will place the city of Salem on a cash basis for the first time since September, 1930.

Following long-established custom, the city council will meet today to consider the call.

At last March the warrant amounting to \$207,000, Mudgett said yesterday. Last summer the council improved the city's financial position by selling a \$135,000 special bond issue to redeem that sum in warrants.

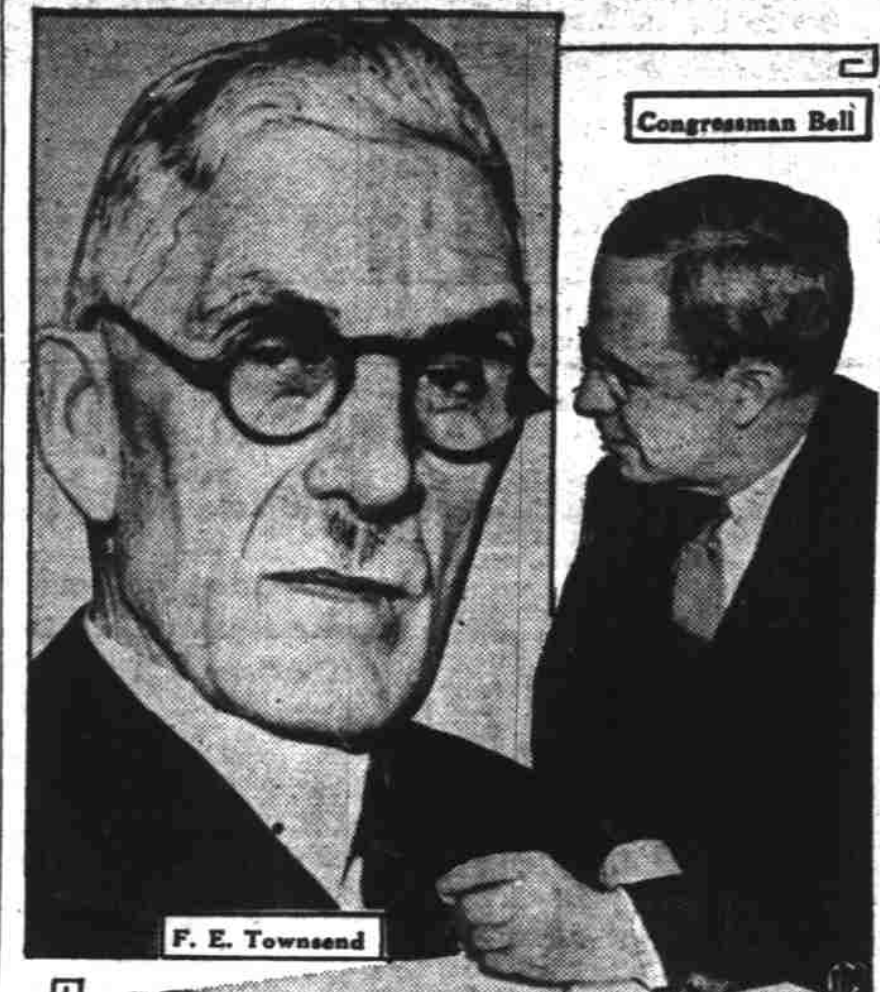
The last warrant issued by the city, and included in today's call, was number 97,878.

Utility District Report Due Soon

First of three comprehensive reports to be made on proposed public utility districts to be formed in Oregon will be made next week, C. E. Stricklin, state engineer, announced here yesterday.

The initial report will deal with the proposed Linn county district. Engineers have completed their work on the report and the first draft has been approved by the state hydroelectric commission which considered the report at a meeting held this week in Portland.

Central Figures in Investigation of Pension Movements at Capital



F. E. Townsend

The sponsor and the chief investigator of the Townsend movement, in the probe started yesterday at Washington, D. C.

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Nelson Will File For Senator Race

Gets Townsend Knew and Gave Approval to Meet Endorsing Slate

Theodore G. Nelson, route seven, announced late yesterday that he was fully determined to file as a candidate for the republican nomination for United States senator despite the flareup in state headquarters over the endorsement made by the area board of 21 in Portland last weekend.

"We had instructions from Los Angeles to proceed with our endorsements," Nelson declared. "I can furnish documentary proof that Dr. Townsend knew of this meeting and approved it."

Nelson said his petitions were now being circulated and indicated they would be ready to file with the secretary of state before the time for filing closes next Monday.

Townsend Plan Is First On Platform
"If I am nominated and elected I will endeavor to get the Townsend plan enacted," Nelson declared. "I believe the pay-as-you-go Townsend plan will make it possible to distribute equitably, among the people of our country, all that this nation can produce without increasing our already unbearable public debt or without (Turn to Page 2, Col. 7)

Two Killed When Trains Sideswipe

GREENSBURG, Pa., March 27.—(Friday)—(AP)—Two trainmen were killed and two others were hurt early today as the Philadelphia Express of the Pennsylvania railroad sideswiped a freight train at Manor 10 miles from here.

The press reports included the following approvals yesterday: Armory construction projects on public or donated property—Salem, \$236,231. New armories with community centers—Lebanon, \$46,370. Repair and construction of additional facilities—Dallas, \$3484; Woodburn, \$3805; Silverton, \$3,474; McMinnville, \$2644.

Managers Get Percentage of Receipts, Said

40 Per Cent on All New Members' Dues, Says Former Secretary

(By the Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, March 26.—(AP)—A charge that one state manager of the Townsend old age pension organization received \$1,800 to \$2,100 monthly in commissions was placed today before a special house investigating committee.

Near the end of a long first-day interrogation of Robert E. Clements, recently resigned national secretary, the committee's youthful-appearing counsel, James Sullivan, said Edward James Margett had been receiving such commissions in California.

Clements said he was unable to confirm the figures without reference to his files. But he reminded that the state managers had to split with congressional district organizers and pay office and other expenses.

State Managers Get 40 Per Cent
The 41-year-old witness, who earlier had paid tribute to Dr. F. E. Townsend as well as absolving committee investigators of charges of using "back-alley" methods, said the state managers receive 40 per cent of all dues collected from new members of Townsend clubs.

(These clubs, linked together by Old Age Revolving Pensions, Ltd., the national organization, have sprung up throughout the nation in support of Dr. Townsend's plan to pay federal pensions of \$200 a month to all persons over 60.)

Clements also receive 20 per cent of all "quotas," or sums which the clubs turn in to national headquarters. He contended that national headquarters had no knowledge of expenses of the state officers, but agreed to furnish a complete list of the managers, their salaries and commissions.

Most of the day was spent in tedious questioning of Clements' personal history, including such queries as when he first started paying income taxes, and details of his real estate business in California.

Clements denied Sullivan's assertion national officers did not know what was going on in various regional and area headquarters.

It was developed the organization has divided the country into four regions headed by regional managers and that each state has one, or more, area managers.

Area Manager Gets 10 Cents a Member
California, the witness contended, has six area managers who receive ten cents on each new member, ten cents on each renewal and 40 per cent of the club (Turn to Page 5, Col. 3)

Sand Island Case In Appeals Court

SAN FRANCISCO, March 26.—(AP)—Oregon, Washington and the federal government submitted a long-standing dispute over an island—valued chiefly as a fishing location—to the United States circuit court of appeals here today.

The federal government, holding possession through an old Civil war grant and a recent ruling by Federal District Judge C. C. Cannon, resisted the claims of both states to the land—Sand Island in the mouth of the Columbia river.

Judge Cavanaugh also held land formed adjacent to the original island, which was ceded to the United States as a potential fort base during the Civil war, was part of it and therefore, property also of the federal government.

Washington and Oregon each claimed the land and, in appeal briefs, contested the border line between the two states. The contest was based on where the channel marking the boundary lies.

No Profit, Claim Of Area Manager

Gets More Than Attorney Claimed But All Goes in Expenses, Says

SAN FRANCISCO, March 26.—(AP)—State Area Manager Edward J. Margett of the Townsend pensions organization declared today the commission paid him were \$500 or \$600 a month more than reported at a committee hearing in Washington, but he denied he was profiting personally.

Instead, he asserted, the commissions are used to pay all Townsend plan organization expenses in this area.

Big Organization Held Necessary
Margett telegraphed John H. Tolan, California representative who is a member of the investigating committee, as follows: "San Francisco newspapers advise that Mr. Sullivan stated at investigating that commissions paid (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Armory Approval Isn't Understood

National guard officials said last night they were puzzled over the "presidential approval" and granting of funds for armory construction projects in Oregon as reported from Washington, D. C., yesterday, by the Associated Press.

That actual construction was no nearer than it had been for several months with the projects held up by regulations that could not be met here.

Brigadier General Thomas E. Riley was reported to be en route to Washington, D. C., to urge a new appropriation for armory projects over the nation. He goes as president of the National Guard association of the United States.

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Alma Carper Prize Winner, Sweetbread Recipe Contest

By JESSIE STEELE
It was generally agreed by the cooks who responded to the Round Table topic this week that sweetbreads should be subjected to a parboiling and blanching process before being cooked. A few omitted this first step in their directions but it is advised for all sweetbreads before they are fried or baked as the case may be.

Prize winners are as follows: First, \$1 in cash, to Alma Carper, 895 N. Liberty; two second prizes of 50 cents each to Mrs. A. G. Adams, Rickreal, and to Mrs. J. R. Alexander of McMinnville, route 2, box 175. Awards may be obtained by calling at The Statesman office.