

The Weather
Mostly fair, partly cloudy today and Sunday; Max. Temp. Friday 68, Min. 44, river 3.5 feet, rain .21 inch, southwest wind.

Fire Anniversary
Labor council's drive for Floyd McMullen first aid car is starting appropriately on the anniversary of the great capitol fire.

EIGHTY-SIXTH YEAR

Battle for Leadership Marks Demo Session

Zimmerman Backs Sam Brown; Club Here Votes Nelson \$100

Flames Lower Historic Dome Just Year Ago

First Anniversary of Big Capitol Blaze Noted; Loss is Mourned

Recollection of Inferno That Marred Salem's Skyline is Vivid

By C. GENEVIEVE MORGAN

A year ago this morning, Oregon's stately capitol reared her proud dome high above the trees in the beautiful state house grounds. Little did her citizenry dream that before another dawn broke, an unbeatable demon would possess the 40-year-old structure and leave for the morrow only her smouldering ruins and for the state a sense of dreadful loss and regret that one youthful life had been claimed by the fire.

It was at 6:43 o'clock the night of April 25, 1935, that Henry Wesloski, janitor at the capitol, telephoned the alarm to the Salem firemen. Then came the siren of the speeding fire equipment and word flying about that the statehouse was on fire.

Seriousness is not realized at first. Before the hour struck, black smoke, at first a mere ribbon, puffed increasingly from the dome, but even this omen failed to bring immediate concern to townspeople. Persons in downtown buildings came out to peer toward the capitol and sauntered back.

But in the capitol, smoke-masked firemen were trying desperately to hold the blaze to the basement, where it originated in the east wing from a source still a mystery. Flames had reached the first floor level by 7 o'clock and in another 20 minutes, the fire had burst through the east wing roof near the dome. Three hollow, wooden pillars, reinforced by steel, supported the first balcony of the statehouse. Through these the flames raged upward, to the second floor, destruction-bent as though these gaping "flues" were built for their convenience.

Thousands gathered to witness inferno. Crowds came fast as the ominous smoke increased and shortly gave way to a mere ribbon through the roof. Thousands were on hand at 8:04 o'clock to watch the spectacle within the spectacle—the toppling, albeit not without a sense of majestic dignity, of the great copper dome.

The toppling of the dome was the signal for a raging inferno, coursing through the attic and third floor levels. Almost the entire building soon became alive with devouring fire, and by the time additional fire equipment rolled in from Portland, 1:31 (Turn to Page 10, Col. 8)

City to Purchase Own Bonds, Plans

In an effort to secure investment for surplus cash funds in the city treasury, the ways and means committee of the city council last night decided to circulate bond houses asking for offerings on city of Salem bonds which will mature within the next two years.

The \$100,000 fund which is to be invested is a part of the Bancroft retirement fund. Maturities of these bonds will start in 1938 necessitating only short term investments.

The committee also voted to take no action toward investing surplus funds in the general fund until it can be determined whether all the cash on hand will be needed before the end of the year. Payment of delinquent taxes will determine this amount. No delinquent tax payments have yet been turned over to the city treasurer by the sheriff's office.

Opal Yates Active

EUGENE, Ore., April 24.—(AP)—Nearly 1500 delegates registered today for the annual state Christian Endeavor convention. Among those named to committees today was Opal Yates of Salem, nominating.

Progressives Exhorted To Unite; Townsendite Group's Stand Definite

No Opposition to Endorsement of Salem Candidate Expressed But Some Members Said Indignant; Third Party Yamhill Solon's Threat

Church Influence Topic at Banquet

200 at Dinner Honoring 25th Anniversary of Local M. E. Group

The greatest danger the church faces today is becoming the church institutional, with its mortgages, bonded debts and the like. Rev. Cecil F. Ristow, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church of Eugene, told the 200 persons gathered at Jason Lee church here last night at a banquet honoring the 25th anniversary of the church.

It is quite possible for the church institutional to be like the church militant and different from the church triumphant, Rev. Ristow said in developing his theme, "The Church as It Faces the Future." If the church is to represent a living, compassionate Christ, he believes it must meet four needs: The need for a right relationship with God, the need for men to be rightly related to one another, the need for men to learn how to share God's bounty and the problems of achieving a reasonable degree of economic security including freedom from war.

Judge Percy R. Kelly of the state supreme court shared the program with Rev. Ristow, the judge speaking upon "The Influence of the Church Upon Civic Welfare." Four main supports, the (Turn to Page 10, Col. 8)

Arbuckle Meeting Here Is Cancelled

PORTLAND, Ore., April 24.—(AP)—James Logan, state manager of Townsend clubs, said tonight Frank Arbuckle of Los Angeles, regional director, would not address mass meetings previously scheduled at Eugene, Salem and Portland.

Mrs. Harriet Kraus, who has been instructing a group of women in a school for Townsend speakers, said today her classes had reached an enrollment of more than 100 as a result of state headquarters approval of the plan to have women replace men barred from Townsend platforms because they are seeking political offices.

Cooper Captures Belt But Some Fans Question Foul

By PAUL HAUSER
Whether Frank Riggi hit Tiny Cooper a low blow, hit during the breakaway or hit a legitimate punch that would have meant a victory for him in the seventh may never be known but it won't make much difference to Cooper's friends and rooters for the 184-pound Hubbard farmer won the decision and Oregon heavyweight champion replaced him after ten rounds of brawling battling last night.

Cooper outthought Riggi nearly all the way and unquestionably earned the decision unless Riggi's seventh round blow was legitimate. Referee Jack McCarthy decided it was not legitimate, that it occurred in the break, and gave Cooper ten minutes to recuperate.

The questioned blow came after Cooper had almost finished Riggi in the sixth with a series of right jabs and right uppercuts and was preparing to wind it up in the seventh.

Topples to Canvas As Clinch Breaks
Riggi, who had been hanging on Cooper at the end of the sixth,

went into a clinch and when they came out of it Cooper dropped to the canvas and lay there groaning. Referee McCarthy did not start counting him out. It was knut at his side, urging him to get up.

John Friend, Cooper's manager, climbed in the ring and told him to stay down, immediately claiming that Riggi's punch was a low blow. Riggi rushed from his neutral corner to protest this accusation vehemently but McCarthy sent him back to neutral ground and Harry Levy, chairman of the Salem boxing commission, announced that Cooper would be given ten minutes to get over the effects of the blow that McCarthy ruled delivered in the break.

After the ten minutes Cooper started out slow and the eighth round was even but he had Riggi going in the ninth and tenth with hard rights to the head. Roughness Occurs Frequently in Bout
About the only times Riggi could hit Cooper would be when he rushed him into the ropes, wrestler fashion. Riggi several (Turn to Page 6, Col. 5)

Lindy Ransom Bills Turning Up in Volume

Hauptmann Death Seems Signal for Release of Money, Northeast

G-Men Swarm; Forecasts of More Indictments Made, Wendel Case

BOSTON, April 24.—(AP)—The Post says department of justice agents were concentrated tonight in Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire after discovery that more than \$200,000 of the \$500,000 Lindbergh ransom money was found in this section.

Since Bruno Richard Hauptmann died in the electric chair at Trenton, N. J., for the kidnap-murder of Col. Charles A. Lindbergh's infant son, the money has appeared at two banks in Albany, N. Y., Northampton, Springfield, Worcester and Greenfield, Mass. Officials who declined use of their names said they believed bills are about to be cashed in southern New Hampshire.

The Post says indications were that persons traveling northeast from a point near Albany, N. Y., disposition of the ransom notes in bills of \$20, \$10 and \$5 denominations.

NEW YORK, April 24.—(AP)—Five or six more persons, including "some public officials of New Jersey," may be indicted early next week in connection with the abduction of Paul H. Wendel, District Attorney William F. X. Geoghan said late today.

He refused to say who would be named in the new indictments he said he would seek.

Five persons, including Ellis H. Parker, jr., son of the Burlington county, N. J., chief of detectives, were indicted by a Brooklyn grand jury last night on charges of kidnaping and second-degree assault.

It was disclosed that an eight-state police alarm was sent out this afternoon for the arrest of Parker, jr., who was described by Geoghan as the man who plotted the abduction and directed the activities which led Wendel to make his "confession" of the Lindbergh kidnaping, later repudiated.

Mahan Traced in Sioux Falls Case

SIoux FALLS, S. D., April 24.—(AP)—Definite indication that William Mahan, wanted in the Weyerhaeuser kidnaping case, was in South Dakota last week was reported today by Sioux Falls police who announced his fingerprints had been found after last week's burglary of the Stockholm, S. D., state bank.

D. V. Baker, identification officer, said Mahan's fingerprints were obtained from cream cans left behind by the Stockholm burglars who burned a hole in the bank's safe a week ago. The burglars obtained \$20 in silver and burned up about \$800 in currency in their efforts to raffle the strong box.

Baker said comparison of Mahan's known prints with those taken from the cream can showed positive prints of comparison and that "the similarity is strong enough for conviction in court."

Triumvirate Still In OARP Control

WASHINGTON, April 24.—(AP)—Testimony that three men still control the Townsend old age pension organization and its assets, despite a recent shake-up designed to "democratize" the movement, was given today to a house investigating committee.

Robert E. Clements, a co-founder of the movement, said Dr. F. E. Townsend, his brother, Walter Townsend, and Gilmour Young, who succeeded Clements as national secretary, control the Old Age Pensions, Ltd., corporate name of the Townsend organization.

The testimony came shortly before the special house committee recessed its hearings until May 5. Dr. Townsend has been ordered to appear at that time.

Italian Force Drives Toward Enemy Capital

Ethiopians Claim Aid of Galla Tribes Regained as Fighting Rages

Eden Plans Question for Hitler to Clarify His Foreign Policies

(By the Associated Press)
The Italian high command in Ethiopia reported new gains toward Addis Ababa Friday as a spokesman for Emperor Haile Selassie's government claimed to have regained assistance from Galla tribesmen.

The fascist commander telegraphed his daily report to Rome describing advances on both the northern and Somaliland fronts, with a major offensive in the latter sector launched against the city of Sas Baneh.

The attention of peace-seeking nations in Europe centered on London where British foreign secretary Anthony Eden is preparing a questionnaire for Adolf Hitler to clarify the reich's foreign and colonial policy.

In Moscow, soviet sources looked forward to a two-year extension of the Berlin treaty by which Germany and Russia agree to refrain from assisting a third nation in an attack on one or the other. To denounce the treaty, Germany would have had to serve notice by midnight but soviet officials reported such notice of abrogation had not been received.

The French, occupied with propaganda campaigns, listened to speeches denying and affirming party positions. Lieut. Col. Francois De La Rocque, leader of the nationalist movement, urged his followers to vote for "patriots" to halt movements toward dictatorships.

Oiling of Santiam Highway Favored

Commission Sidesteps on Naming of Roads; up to Public, Ruling

PORTLAND, Ore., April 24.—(AP)—Naming of highways is not the duty of the state highway department, the commission indicated at its session here today.

"If we name one route we will be drawn into dog fights all the time over names," Chairman Henry Cabell commented.

His statement came after a proposal was presented for the naming of the super-highway from Oregon City to Portland "McLoughlin boulevard."

"If they want to, let them start calling it that," he suggested that Anna K. Lew of Milwaukie, who requested the naming, ask officials of the various towns along the route to name it McLoughlin boulevard.

The highway commission today referred to the chairman and engineers for award the Hoffman construction company's bid of \$110,212 for construction of the viaduct on Union avenue in southeast Portland. Necessity for a grade agreement and a possibility that a 1935 legislative act affecting the state's participation in the project would not be ruled on by the supreme court until May 7 occasioned the delay in award.

The only job awarded was for surface materials in Coos county. (Turn to Page 6, Col. 5)

Fate of Scadding Remains in Doubt

HALIFAX, N. S., April 24.—(AP)—A dominion airplane was en route here from Montreal with special medical equipment for treatment of Charles Alfred Scadding, one of the two survivors of ten days' imprisonment in an abandoned gold mine who are patients in hospital here.

Scadding, 44-year-old time-keeper, was suffering from a severe case of "trench feet." Physicians were striving to prevent aggravation of the infection, known as an incipient stage of gangrene.

Dramatic Arrival of Rescued Men At Mine's Entrance Is Recorded



Dr. D. E. Robertson, heroic Toronto, Ont., surgeon, is shown in upper picture as he staggered out of the mouth of the Moose Creek gold mine after ten days' imprisonment caused by a rock slide. His face was mud-streaked and his beard long, but a smile lighted up his features as he greeted his wife and called for a beefsteak. Below, the more touching exit of Alfred Scadding, indicated by arrow. —International Illustrated News sound photo.

Dooley Pen Still; F. P. Dunne Called

Famous Dialect Humorist Is Victim of Cancer; Career Meteoric

NEW YORK, April 24.—(AP)—Pinkey Peter Dunne, 68, author of the famous Mr. Dooley stories, died of cancer here tonight after a long illness.

Only his physicians were with him at the time of his death. His widow, Mrs. Margaret Abbott Dunne, and his sons were immediately notified at their homes in Hollywood, Calif. (Turn to Page 5, Col. 3)

Crash Injury Fatal

SEASIDE, Ore., April 24.—(AP)—Mrs. Ines Bauman, 64, Portland, died here last night as a result of injuries received when a car driven by her husband plunged from the road April 15.

Good Prospects for Valley Project Seen at Meet Here

Reports that the much discussed Willamette valley five-point project would cost \$200,000,000 are without foundation in fact, Senator Douglas McKay, president of the committee named by Governor Martin to lead in the project's development, told a conference of 50 members of the committee here yesterday.

"Not until the army engineers complete their findings December 1 of this year will we know what the ultimate costs will be for the irrigation, drainage, flood control, navigation and power development of the Willamette valley," McKay declared.

His statement followed that of H. A. Rands, engineer in charge of the \$200,000 federal survey which has been under way since last fall. Rands told the Willamette valley project committee that the studies of his men would include a determination of the costs of flood control dams and reservoirs which would control the Willamette river and its tributaries and would lead to the development of the valley.

Dallas, Lebanon Entries In Music Tournament at Forest Grove Win Places

FOREST GROVE, Ore., April 24.—(AP)—Students from 49 Oregon high schools competed today in the instrumental and vocal events at the annual high school music tournament at Pacific university.

Senior violin: Dorothy Palmer, Dallas, third.

Girls' low voice: Jewell F. Callahan, Lebanon.

Illegal Operation Syndicate Traced

SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—(AP)—Dr. Charles B. Pinkham, secretary of the state medical board, disclosed in amazing detail today the activities of what he said was a highly organized coastwise drug syndicate and its members, including doctors and laymen in the business of performing criminal operations to prevent childbirth.

He declared the ring was directed by a leader in Los Angeles, through whom offices were rented, soliciting agents operated, and through which was distributed in a wide circle to organize and protect what he described as a rich source of revenue.

At least nine west coast cities were included in the ring, he declared, adding that doctors were shuttled among them, often under fictitious names.

For more than a year the state board of medical examiners had been investigating, Dr. Pinkham said.

The ring not only includes many agents who offer commissions to drug stores and physicians for directing customers to patients to members of the group, but even has set up a subsidiary syndicate which finances operations for impoverished women, and collects their earnings for a long time thereafter.

Gosslin Power To Face Test In Vote Today

Administration Man, Out Supporting Carlson; Brooks Opponent

Importance of Youthful Bourbons Stressed in Walter's Address

Young Democrats, assembled here yesterday in the fifth annual state convention, found themselves in a close contest for the presidency of the organization within the first hour from the time the sessions opened.

The hand of W. L. Gosslin, private secretary to Governor Martin, was seen in the sponsorship of C. C. Carlson, young Portland attorney in the office of Edgar Freed, state emergency director, while anti-Gosslin men were lining up for Stanford Brooks of Portland, also a young attorney and associated with Jay Bowerman, prominent republican leader.

The convention delegates were being solicited as soon as they reached Salem for the respective candidates for the presidency with Gosslin, himself twice president of the state organization, putting on the power of his patronage control to swing votes to Carlson. Brooks and Gosslin are reported to have tangled on previous occasions with the former provision of one club for an organization which is favorable, not adverse, to himself.

About 50 Delegates Figure in Contest
The vote on the presidency will come up at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Thirty-four county clubs are eligible to send two delegates each to the convention but not more than 50 voting delegates are expected to take part in the vote this afternoon.

A second conflict of the opening day of the convention was a clash over a proposed constitution change which would have permitted the state executive council of the state organization to sponsor as many clubs in a county as it saw fit. Gosslin, member of the constitution revision committee, favored the change but delegates voted the proposal down, asserting that Multnomah county would dominate the state since each club could have two delegates to a state convention as well as an additional delegate for each 50 members of the club. The proposed constitution change was sent back to the constitution revision committee with instructions that the former provision of one club for each county be reinstated.

Constitution changes which were approved included change of the name of the organization from the Young Democratic League of Oregon to the Young Democrats of Oregon.

The clubs decided to admit to associate memberships persons 41 years old or older but they will not be permitted to vote. Honorary memberships will be limited (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

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Judge First Victim

BEND, Ore., April 24.—(AP)—Municipal Judge H. C. Ellis forgot that Bend's tourist-season parking limitations went into effect today. A patrolman tied ticket No. 1 to his car and Acting Judge Robert Foley fined him \$1.