Fair today and Friday, slightly warmer, low humidity; Max. Temp. Wednesday 83, Min. 42, river -2.1 feet, northwesterly wind. LEFT EAR

EIGHTY-SIXTH YEAR

Salem, Oregon, Thursday Morning, July 16, 1936

Price 3c; Newsstands 5c

Dark Past Implied

By Prosecutor as

Two Former Mayors and Present City

Executive Say Chief of Police

Diligent and Trustworthy

Questions by Moody Hint Officer Was

**Employed by Gamblers and Once** 

in Trouble; Denial Made

WELVE circuit court jurors will begin weighing the case

to his trial on charge of failing to take action against gambling here materialize. Court will reconvene at 9 o'clock

The case gained momentum early yesterday afternoon as Special Prosecutor Ralph Moody produced his last witness

and Minto's three lawyers soon began presenting defense

testimony. During a 30-minute recess the defense moved for

and Judge E. C. Latourette denied a directed verdict of

this morning.

acquittal.

present and two former Salem

"Good, I think," Mr. Bush said

Cross-questioning, Prosecutor

"I don't remember," Mr. Bush

his knowledge of the defendant's

Moody came back with the

having been in Portland or en-

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McMINNVILLE, July 15.-(P)-To Buster Shelton went the credit

today for saving the lives of Mrs.

W. D. Haller and her son, Wilbur,

in a Yamhill river mishap which

cost the life of another Haller

Coroner Glen Macy said he was

The mother heard cries for help

informed Harold and Wilbur went

swimming west of Amity, while on

and rushed to the river bank, climbed on an over-hanging limb

and succeeded in catching hold of

Wilbur but the strain was too

Shelton, hearing the cries, jumped into the water and res-

cued Mrs. Haller and Wilbur and

and Wilbur dived into the river again and recovered Harold's

Artificial respiration failed to

restore consciousness, however.

great and she plunged into the

berry-picking excursion.

boy, Harold, age 7.

**Shelton Credited** 

gaged in business in Alaska.

Moody asked Mr. Bush if he knew

of the defendant's character after

Minto family for 65 years.

Gamblers Employed

ony quickly ensued.

Him, Intimated

of Chief of Police Frank A. Minto late today if prosecu-

tion and defense counsel predictions of a swift climax

Defendant Praised

#### No. 95

# Minto Case Expected to Reach Jury Today

## Rattlesnake Loose in Courtroom Quake Is Felt

# Spending Orgy Of Democrats

Roosevelt Incapable of Thoughtful Planning Says OARP Head

Slogan Emerges; Lemke's Prospects Held Slim in Keynote Talk

CLEVELAND, July 15-(AP)-Dr. James was on the stand w. Francis E. Townsend, founder of occurred. He was denying the O: the Townsend Old Age Pension plain, assailed today the Roose-velt administration's "crazy orgy of spending" and told the Second bathtub. National Townsend convention his movement was the support of ran, was tinkering with the box

Movement, and "other groups of unhappy and dissatisfied voters opposed to the New Deal's crazy orgy of spending" and those "who are working toward a new era of

He approved the principle of a consitiutional amendment to make the Townsend plan effective. Coughlin to Speak
At Session Today.
Townsend convention headquar-

ters announced tonight that the radio priest, would address the convention delegates at 10:30 a.

m. tomorrow, making the trip by boat tonight.

Brewers' Jinx Prevails; removed the council last the craft unions which control the council.

John P. Frey, president of the council last the craft unions which control the council.

Dr. Townsend told the delegates, most of them gray-haired men, that he believed "we shall agree on a program of political action and ours must be a plan of immediate action that will assure the abolition of poverty from our

A slogan "Triumph With Townsend" came out of the first day's sessions, Martin F. Smith, congressman from Washington, and temporary chairman of the convention, started the slogan with the declaration, "My friends, we are not going to lose with Lemke, we are going to triumph with Townsend." Lacks Knowledge of

"All the haphagard, ill conceived legislation that has been indulged in by this (Roosevelt) administration evinces one of two things, either profound ignorance liberate, machiavelian planned attempt to discredit and totally wreck the American principle of

government," he said,

"As every act of the government," Dr. Townsnd continued,
"has been predicated upon the heedless advice of the presidnt when he said: 'Try something' if it works, try it some more, if it does not work, try something else."
"If that is not the advice of a

total incompetent or a reckless fatalist who is incapable of thoughtful planning on a national scale, what is it?"

#### Relief Committee Has Meet, Routine Matters

terday the county relief committee, headed by E. L. Wieder, ground through a long list of routine business. Additional old age pension grants were approved. Assistance to the blind and direct relief to unemployables came in for discussion and a few new Johnson, Don McLeod, Sam Yoder, cases for the rolls were approved.

### Townsend Hits Lethal Glides Out of Prison Box to Create Panic; is Recaptured

Serpent Which Allegedly Killed Mrs. James Steals Show From Defendant Who Is On Stand: Denial of All Charges Voiced

OS ANGELES, July 15 .- (AP) -Lethal, a diamond-back rattlesnake, broke loose in a superior court room today, precipitated a panic and stole the spotlight completely from Robert S. James, green-eyed barber on trial charged with murdering his seventh wife, Mary.

James was on the stand when the sensational episode **Condemned House** 

**Burns**; Incendiary

No Doubt Firebug Set It

Says Assistant Chief;

Good Start Given

A fire believed to be the work

of an incendiarist last night de-

stroyed the interior of an old va-

cant house at 1140 Leslie street

which the city council had on July 6 condemned by ordinance.

Assistant Fire Chief William Iwan

said he held no doubt of the fire's

When firemen arrived shortly

before 11 p. m., the entire struc-

ture was aflame as well as the

grass around it and fences 25 feet

away. They promptly concentrat-

ed on preventing the flames

which shot sparks high in the air,

from spreading to nearby houses.

Scorched paint was the extent of

the damage to surrounding homes,

City police while directing traf-

**Head of Shriners** 

SEATTLE, July 15.-(AP)-A De-troit judge, Clyde I. Webster,

reached Shrinedom's highest goal

today, "hurdling" a year in the

10-year succession up the ranks

Imperial council officers said

hosts for the 1937 convention

awaits formal confirmation, but

that it undoubtedly would be

Seattle, after his election as im-

perial potentate permitted the el-

evation of Judge Webster, a Wayne county (Mich.) circuit

"Sentiment prempts me to ac-

cept this honor." Caldwell, a for-

mer Seattle mayor, told the imperial council session. "Business and my health forbid me to do

No Deaths Occur

Here, Four Days

With deaths resulting from the heat recorded by the hundreds

from eastern cities, no deaths of Salem residents have been reported by Salem mortuaries during the past four days, and the reg-ular obituary column of The

Statesman has remained empty.

This is the first time in many

months that Salem has been so

favored. Any deaths that have taken place here have been of

residents living outside the city and its immediate vicinity.

**Howard Hughes Held Not** 

To Blame For Fatality

LOS ANGELES, July 15.-(AP)-A coroner's jury decided today that Howard Hughes, former

Caused by His Machine

judge, to the position.

of the imperial divan.

fic reported they caught two

and tobacco.

having been set intentionally.

bids to raze the building.

A snake expert, A. Tierce Artother groups who seek a "new in which Lethal and its mate. era of social justice."

Lightning, were coiled.

Townsend told his followers the pension plan has the backing of and the venturesome serpent the National Union for Social glided out of its confines and Justice, the Share-the-Wealth slithered away on the floor.

Confusion reigned. Several climbed upon their chairs. Spectators and court attaches and attorneys were poised and tense. While women screamed. (Turn to Page 10, Col. 3)

# Senators Lose in

Red Miller Wins Own Game With Double

PORTLAND, Ore., July 15-(AP) Hop Gold maintained its undefeated status in the Oregon semipro baseball tournament tonight by edging out the Salem Senators in a 12-inning game 6 to 5.

'Red" Miller, Hop Gold hurler, won his own battle in the last frame with a double which sent Williams racing over home plate for the winning run.

The fighting Senators apparently had the game won up to the last half of the ninth but Quinn's two were out tied the count at Detroit Judge Is

Maple and Oravec, Salem aces, also were well up in the batting parade with a triple each. Wilson fanned 8 and Miller 12 Salem ....... 5 8 2 Hop Gold ...... 6 16 4 Wilson, Gastineau and Maple; Miller and La Mear, Bear.

#### Hockett Head of Forty and Eight

Dr. V. E. Hockett was the unanmous choice of Marion county voiture 40 et 8 societe for Chef de Gare at the annual election of the group held last night at the

Other officers elected were: Chef de Train, Harry Wilson; Cor-respondent, Irl S. McSherry; Conductor, Milt Colt; Garde de La Porte, George Manolis; Commis Voyageur, B. E. Owen; Lampiste, Sim Etzel; Medicine, J. O. Van Winkle; Chemists, O. E. Palmateer, B. F. Pound and G. E. Prime. Delegates for the state convention selected were: O. E. Palmateer, Irl S. McSherry, B. F. Pound, V. E. Hockett and Harry Wilson.

### Secret Service Checks Up On G-Men, Official Infers

WASHINGTON, July 15-(A)- at the treasury" in which the agreed tonight over reports that say this, he continued, "if anybody's shooting at Hoover, they're shooting at the wrong pervestigating J. Edgar Hoover's justice agents.

Secret Service Head Says Nothing to It.

When William H. Moran, secret service chief, was told of Cum-ming's statement, he replied: "There's nothing to it."

Cummings refused to explain his "suspicion," but indicated he would defend Hoover's adminis-

"I'll say this," he continued.

Questioned at his press conference, Attorney General Cummings said "there has been some activity I suspect. of an ill-advised namen of investigating, but other departments officials indicated the alleged "activity" concerned expenditures of the F. B. I. in its erime-fighting work, and also the killing of Eddle Green, Dillinger Cummings told reporters post-office inspectors had reopened the

investigation of a mail robbery at of the world's land plane speed Warren, O., for which two men record was not to blame for his

### Labor's Split Is Delayed as Trial Ordered

of Competing With Federation Now

Immediate Suspension i Rejected in Favor of Orderly Procedure

WASHINGTON, July 15 .- (AP) threatened split in the American federation of labor was averted for the time being, at least, today when the federation's executive council decided to give 12 unions a trial August 3 on formal charges of "insurrection."

The council took this step in stead of immediately suspending these unions so as to give federation peace-makers an opportunity to try to heal the breach between the rebel faction favoring the or ganization of all the workers in each big industry into one big union and the faction which thinks skilled workers should be organized into craft unions.

John L. Lewis, president of the united mine workers, heads the rebels who have banded together After unsuccessfully attempting in the committee for industrial or quake which devastated Helena, to contact the woman owner of ganization. William Green, A. F. 12-Inning Battle to contact the woman owner of L. president, is spokesman for the house, thought to be living of L. president, is spokesman for the craft unions which control the council last

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#### Forced to Marry, Girl of 13 Avers

TACOMA, July 15-(P)-Accused of perjury, Mr. and Mrs. Eliah Orsuwich of Tacoma were arraign ed in juvenile court here today, after their 13-year-old daughter boys, 12 and 13, looting automohad revealed her marriage to biles. The loot consisted of keys

have occurred; and all three were time. released on \$1,000 bail each after arraignment here under special orders from the Kitsap county

an affidavit asserting her mother and Orsulich who is her step eral years here. His wife died in father, forced her to marry Roy Cupic at Port Orchard, July 3.

Since 1924, he had served as

selection of Judge Webster's home themselves swore to similar town and its Moslem temple as ments before the marriage. themselves swore to similar state-She told Judge E. D. Hodge she I.O.O.F.

wished to continue her work at a He is survived by a brother, junior high school here, did not George Tacheron, Gresham. Fudrawal of Hugh M. Caldwell, of Orsulich family.

# In Oregon But No Harm Done

Portland and La Grande Note Shocks; Spokane People Frightened

12 Unions Face Charges Walla Walla, Northwest Idaho Among Places Distinctly Rocked

> PORTLAND, Ore., July 15.—
> (P)—Reports of earth shocks came from many parts of Oregon tonight but so far as could be ascertained immediately, no damage resulted. La Grande in control of the country of t eastern Oregon and Portland in the northwest sector shook noticeably.

Earl Peterson, a radio op-erator in North Portland, said pictures rattled on the walls. In some parts of the city the tremor was almost imperceptible.

Hermiston and Pendleton were other points reporting a marked earth movement.

Reports of the time varied, but all agreed that the major movement occurred between 11:05 and 11:10.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 15 .- (AP) An earthquake of several sec onds' duration awakened people throughout most of the Pacific northwest tonight with rattling windows and furniture. The tremors were the most se-

vere felt here since last October 18, when the "backwash" of the Mont., was felt.

ton, northern Idaho and Oregon, variously between 11:05 and 11:15. Wenatchee, Wash., reported two separate shocks. enough at Walla Walla, Wash.,

The quake was reported severe to send theatre patrons scurrying for the outdoors. Frightened upper floor apartment dwellers in (Turn to Page 10, Col. 6)

#### City Recorder of Monmouth Called

45 year old fisherman,
Second degree perjury charges against the couple and the girl were filed in Kitsap county, suddenly today in Salem. He had sign. where the marriage is alleged to been in poor health for some

He was born February 18 1866, at Nachatell, Switzerland, and came to America in 1890. He was married to Miss Laura The girl, Eva Gnejech, dictated Martin at Monmouth in 1905. He

She told the court the couple city recorder here. He had been forced her to swear to a Kitsap a member of the I.O.O.F. lodge license clerk that she was 16, and for 27 years and had served cona member of the LO.O.F. lodge tinuously for 24 years as secretary of Normal lodge of the

chosen in line with Shrine tradi-tion. The unprecedented with-so in the belief he might aid the Walter L. Smith, are not yet the first well was drilled on Not-

# Ex-Navy Officer Charged As Spy



#### Farnsworth Case Is Causing Furor mayors testified they knew the defendant to be of good character and during their terms considered

Increase of Espionage to him to have been diligent in his Necessitate Changes Quiet settled over the room as the next defense witness, A. N. Bush, Salem banker, was called of Plans, Stated to the stand. WASHINGTON, July 15 .- (AP)-

Admiral William H. Standley, acting secretary of the navy, said oday that espionage activities of foreign powers might make necessary a revision of confidential navy documents and instructions. Standley made his statement a press/conference discussion of the arrest of John S. Farnsworth, former lieutenant commander it the navy, on charges of selling confidential navy information to

an agent of the Imperial Japan-Confirming reports of increased espionage, Standley said "when there are increased naval activi ities, there is always an increased effort to obtain information." The navy now is building 7 new warships, many of new de

"Our naval attaches in all for (Turn to Page 10, Col. 7)

#### Municipal Well Proves Disappointment; Depth 410 Feet, Supply Short

SILVERTON, July 15.—Silver-ton's second municipal well proved rather a disappointment to Dr. A. W. Simmons, chairman. A depth of 410 feet was reached with production at 200 gallons minute. In the first well drilled here, 750 gallon capacity was ob tained at 182 feet. The new well

### Drama moved into the crowded courtroom as defense testimony started. In rapid succession the Halt Circulation Of Pipe Petition

No Explanation Given For Action by Lumbermen

Petitions urging the city coun cil to give consideration to testifying to having known the merits of wood stave pipe in calling for bids on construction on the Stayton island-Salem gravity pipeline were withdrawn from The climax of the day's testicirculation yesterday on orders from the Portland office of the Willamette Valley Lumbermen's association, sponsor, it was an where the defendant was in 1919 nounced yesterday afternoon by Phil Huth, local representative replied, as to questions regarding Huth said he had been given no explanation for the withdrawal

The men and women hired to circulate the petitions among Sa lem citizens were paid off at the rate of 10 cents per name. It was estimated between 1500 and 2000 signatures were secured Tuesday and yesterday.

The lumbermen's organization also sponsored recent distribution here of pamphlets designed to sell wood pipe made of cree-With Saving Two soted Douglas fir. Special Meeting Friday Probable

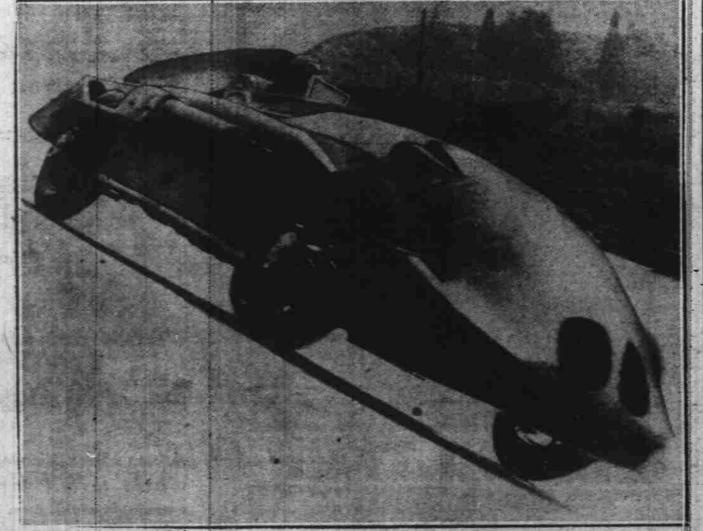
The council probably will hold a special session Friday night to receive bids on the 100,000-gallon (Turn to Page 10, Col. 4)

#### Chicken Thieves Given 18 Months

DALLAS, July 15 .- (Special)state penitentiary were imposed upon Arlie Archie Little, Jess and Jake Richards, all of Salem, when the trio pleaded guilty before Circuit Judge Arlie G. Walker here today to charges of chicken theft. No paroles we as soon as they were revived he allowed.

The three were found in Salem apartment house July with 37 live and 11 dead chief in their possession. The birds, valued at \$78, had been stolen The Hallers and the ir seven from the Norval McKey place near children recently came here from Perrydale.

### BRITON BREAKS SPEED RECORDS IN UTAH



would defend Hoover's administration of the federal bureau of investigation, if necessary.

The attorney general told questioners he "would rather have and questioners he "would rather have and questions (concerning the questions (concerning the and questions) asked that F. B. I. Illinois, and was spreading suctions and was spreading suctions asked that F. B. I. Illinois, and was spreading suctions (concerning the automobile killing a man at a street corner last Saturday night. Thundering over the Bonneville, Utah, salt flat course, Captain George Eyston, British "collector of mass from the Hudson Bay territory in Ohio had ask-dier an inquest, the jury had already relieved Michigan found that the death of the victim, Gabe S. Meyer, 60, was an unavoidable accident.

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#### Heat Checked in Lakes Area But Plains States Swelter

Canadian high pressure area the was unable to say what checked the stiffling heat in the progress the mass would make to great Lakes sections tonight and the east and south. lent its tempering effects as far Another area had formed ever east as New York, but western the far northwest and British Cofringes of the plains states con-tinued to bake in the thirteenth day of oppressive heat. It was too early to forecast what effect it would have on the drought land. Although several points in the northwest had readings above 100.

much of that section was cooled by northwesterly winds. The St. Paul airport weather

observer said the cool air extended to an altitude of 30,000 feet, but that several days would be required before it could cut through the blanket of torrid air on the surface to make its moderating below the country of the surface of the surface to make its moderating below the surface of the surface to make its moderating below the surface of the surface to make its moderating below the surface of the surf erating balms felt. Great Lakes Region Already Has Relief.

CHICAGO, July 15-(A)-Mod- cor as far east as the Atlantic sea erating masses of cool air from a board.

Another area had formed ove

Hot weather continued today ! the lower Ohio and Missourf and middle Mississippi valeys, while the weather was cooler tonight in New England, upper Ohio, Great Lakes and central and southern

High temperatures included: Clinton, Mo., 118; Bartlesville, and Nowata, Okla., 117; Chanute, Kas., 115; Wellington, Kas., and Peorla, Ill., 114; Pittsburgh, Kan-

The heat wave in southern Cali-fornia extended to the Los An-Chicago said the defrigerant geles metropolitan area. The mer-