

The Weather
Cloudy and cool today.
Monday rain; Max. Temp.
Saturday 49, Min. 32, river
2.6 feet, cloudy, light
southwesterly wind.

New Year Edition
The Statesman's New
Year edition will present
complete picture of the
notable progress made by the
Salem district this year.

EIGHTY-SIXTH YEAR

Radio Clues in
Missing Plane
Quests Traced

Latest From Elk River
Believed False After
Search Is Failure

Strong Hope Maintained
Message Picked Up in
Utah Is Authentic

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 19.—(AP)—A mysterious radio call sent several searchers back over the rugged Elk River, Idaho, region late today after 13 airplanes had joined the fleet seeking a trace of two Northwest Airlines pilots and their mail-bearing transport.

Two short wave radio listeners reported hearing the faint call at 2:30 p. m. "Fifteen east of Elk River."
Anxious Northwest Airlines officials said after the planes returned from futile searching they were convinced the message could not have come from the missing plane. Pilot Joe Livermore and Pilot Arthur A. Heid. They said further investigation showed the message was on a wave length impossible for the missing transport's radio. They said it might have been a forest service call.

Pend O'Relle Area Still Being Combed
The last direct radio report to airlines headquarters was at 3:19 a. m. Friday. The filers then reported their position as northwest of Elk River.
The radio report theory conflicted with the search leaders' belief that the missing plane had passed northward to the Pend Oreille lake district in the Idaho panhandle after it was mistaken for those of Spokane. The main flank of the aerial fleet's search had been concentrated in that area this afternoon.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Faint radio calls and a cry in the dark stirred hope tonight for the nine occupants of two airliners lost in western wilds.

Today, as 5 planes and hundreds of men on the ground sought a Western "air Express" transport that vanished with seven persons over Utah last Tuesday, a radio operator at Kingman, Ariz., heard a man's voice calling faintly, weakly:

"Is Salt Lake City or St. George there?"
Again the unidentified voice was heard. At Las Vegas, Nev., the indistinct call was picked up, too. And, less clearly in Salt Lake City—headquarters for the frantic Utah search—and in Ogden, 40 miles to the north.

It had been nearly five days since the plane disappeared. Its radio was believed out of order.

"But," said A. E. spokesman here for Western Air, "there was one aboard the Los Angeles to Salt Lake City plane who was known as a radio man—Henry W. Edwards of Minneapolis."

Moreover, Cahla pointed out, ever get any clue in the hope home of the five men and two women aboard might yet be alive, there is no radio station at St. George, in distant southwestern Utah.

"This is known to all the airline pilots," Edwards would not know it."

Queen Marie and
Edward to Meet

ENZESFELD, Austria, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Marie of Rumania, the mother of one king and the confidante of others, and Edward, Duke of Windsor, will have a chance to talk about the respective problems next week, it was learned tonight.

The queen is leaving Bucharest Sunday for Vienna and will go from there to Spinnberg castle, the home of her daughter, the Arch-Duchess Helga, and her son-in-law, the Hapsburg Archduke Anton.

Edward has Anton's invitation to drop in anytime.

Determined to keep in physical trim, the ex-monarch kept to his daily golf schedule, did a rigid early morning series of calisthenics, and set aside the late afternoon hours for a game of nine-pins with the barones.

Wild Life Parley
January 5, Salem

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Oregon sportsmen and conservationists will organize their ranks to deal with proposed legislation at the forthcoming session of the legislature in a mass meeting at Salem January 5. Ed P. Avenell, president of the Oregon Wild Life Federation, said today.

Avenell said the meeting would be held at the Salem chamber of commerce starting at 8:30 a. m., and would be attended by members of the Wild Life council and the Isaac Walton League. Such questions as stream pollution, reassignment of the game commission, closing rivers to commercial fishing and taking game law enforcement from the state police will be discussed.

New Officer of
Corvallis Bank

A. A. SCHRAMM

SCHRAMM OBTAINS INTEREST IN BANK

Vice-President of First National, Corvallis; Moves There Soon

CORVALLIS, Ore., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Officials of the First National Bank of Corvallis announced today A. A. Schramm, former state bank superintendent, had become part owner and vice-president. Before taking the state position, Schramm was cashier of the Corvallis State bank, now merged with the First National.

Since retiring from the state banking department Mr. Schramm has been connected with the First National Bank of Portland. He opened their branch in Medford as manager when the Portland bank took over its share of the First National of Medford as a branch.

Later he was transferred to the head office in Portland in charge of the credit department for all country branches. The family home has remained in Salem. Mr. Schramm will assume his new duties on Monday and the family will remove to Corvallis, the time being indefinite owing to house and school arrangements.

The First National bank of Corvallis is the fourth largest bank in the state outside of Portland, with deposits of over \$2,000,000. Principal owners have been the Woodcock family. C. H. Woodcock being the chief executive officer. Thomas Whitehorn, veteran Corvallis banker, who was president of the old Corvallis State bank prior to its merger with the First National, is retiring from the First National on January 1.

Jerry Owen Gets
Permit to Build

The 14th new house permit for 1936 was issued by the city building department yesterday to Jerry Owen, executive secretary of the world war veterans state aid commission. The new Owen residence will be a \$6000, two-story structure, located at 490 Leslie street and built by H. M. Lehman.

The Owen permit brought the city's aggregate value of home construction for the year to \$336,491 which is only \$11,868 less than was recorded for all types of building operations here in 1935.

Sixteen building permits having a value of \$10,460 were issued during the past week. They included three for \$8100 worth of new construction and 13 for \$4360 in alterations and repairs. Other new permits yesterday included: Ronald C. Glover, re-roof house at 1433 North Fourth street, \$110; Mrs. L. M. Park, alter house at 360 West Superior \$150; J. W. Butler, erect garage at 2250 North Fifth, \$25.

Indian War Vet Dies

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Death ended the career of Robert L. Hicks, 68, long-time municipal employe and former state commander of the national Indian war veterans' Friday. Two of his sons are captains in the Portland police department.

Strike Continuation Protest
Will Be Mobilized Here Soon

Mayor V. E. Kuhn last night telegraphed the Coos Bay maritime strike settlement committee that he hoped to be able to call a group of Salem citizens together early this week to act on the committee's recent suggestion that a local organization be set up to bring the pressure of public opinion to bear on employers and employes in the sea-board area. The message was in reply to a two-page telegram from Sheldon F. Sackett, chairman of the Coos Bay committee, inquiring as to what had been done here relative to the bay plan.

"We direct your attention to the fact that press reports have over-emphasized the possibility of settlement," Sackett's telegram read in part. "Negotiations thus far are only with three of seven unions out on strike and these unions are not the spearhead of the strike. The I. L. A. (International Longshoremen's association)

Brites Faced
Facing Penalty

Verdict Unaccompanied by Recommendation So Hanging Mandatory

Jury Out Nine Hours in Case of Brothers Who Killed Three Men

YREKA, Calif., Dec. 19.—(AP)—John and Coke Britte, mountain brothers, were convicted of first degree murder here tonight for the slaying of three men at near-by Horse Creek, August 30.

The jury, which returned its verdict at 8:45 p. m. after nine hours of deliberation, made no recommendation; thus making the death penalty mandatory on the court.

Though the courtroom was crowded and armed officers stood on guard there was no demonstration.

The Brittes, lean, slow speaking mountaineers, just sat and stared. They appeared unaware of what was happening.

Conviction was on all three counts, charging murder of Deputy Sheriff Martin Lange, Constable Joseph Clark and Fred Seaborn, a vacationer from Vallejo.

Guards Present to Prevent Disorder
The Brittes had been placed to prevent any attack on the Brittes in the event they were acquitted.

The jury of 11 men and one woman was polled at the request of defense counsel.

Lange, Clark and Seaborn were killed while attempting to arrest Brittes on charges of kidnapping.

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Martin Supports
Job-Making Plan

Work Best Christmas Gift Says Governor; Urges General Response

Governor Charles H. Martin yesterday stamped his approval on the "make a job" campaign which the Marion county office of the state employment service is starting here.

"I hope many Marion county people will respond and make jobs to help the Salem state employment service office with its 'make a job' campaign," the governor said. "Unless the strike continues, unless the strike trades regulations probably will be left for action after the first of the year."

Council May Fill
Commission Post

The city council Monday night may move to fill the vacancy on the civil service commission created by the death Friday of Paul V. Johnson, member and former chairman. Since the commission was created in 1931 there has been no change in the three-member board.

First commissioners were Johnson, Arthur H. Moore and Lloyd T. Rigdon. A. A. Geuffroy, present chairman, was appointed when Rigdon resigned within the week. Moore remains a member.

The council also will consider applying a 30-minute limit to parking in the congested business area. Other major changes in city regulations probably will be left for action after the first of the year.

Germany Pictures
Breadline in U.S.

BERLIN, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Leaders of the third Reich balanced empty butter plates with submarines today and "broadlined in America." From the east, a submarine fleet twice as powerful as that of 1914; toward a highly efficient navy, a motorized army, and a string air force, as visible proof that Spartan endurance of the winter's good difficulties is going to be worth it.

Der Angriff, the organ of Propaganda Minister Dr. Paul Joseph Goebbels, came out with a full-page showing a white-haired New York grandmother, in tatters, giving thanks with clasped hands for a bowl of soup without.

Mutineers Defy Ultimatum

ABDUCTION OF CHIANG STIRS CRISIS

Highway Crash Takes Life of W. Salem Man

David Duggin, 41, Auto Salesman, Victim on Salem-Dallas Road

Enters Roadway Just as Car Approaches; No Blame Indicated

David Duggin, 41, West Salem, was instantly killed at 7:30 o'clock last night 1/2 mile east of Salem on the Dallas-Salem highway near the Oak Knoll golf course. He was struck while standing on the highway by a car driven by Gearhardt Diehn, 3240 North Fourth street, Salem.

Duggin had been driving his car toward Dallas and ran off the road. He flagged a car driven by Cecil Culp, McMinnville, and asked him to assist in getting the car out of the ditch. While Culp was maneuvering his car into position to pull the car out of the ditch, Duggin stepped onto the highway in front of the Diehn machine.

State police reported that apparently Duggin had stepped onto the highway just as the Diehn car came over a hump in the road. They said the car was stopped within 15 feet of the spot where Duggin was hit. No arrest was made. The body was taken to Dallas by the Plink county coroner. Duggin is survived by his widow. He has been working in Salem as a used car salesman. Second Fatal Crash Within Two Days

Duggin's death was the second from traffic accident in the Salem vicinity within two days, the first fatality being Eugene Mellis, 20, who was killed when his light automobile was struck by the northbound Shasta several miles south of Turner Friday night.

Mr. A. I. M. Uppendahl and eight months old son Leroy of Woodburn received minor injuries shortly after 8 o'clock last night when the car in which they were riding was struck from the rear by a car driven by Henry Klasmann of Salem.

They were riding in a car driven by Walter Uppendahl of Woodburn. The accident occurred on the Pacific highway just south of the boys' industrial school. Uppendahl had just turned onto the highway from the Killiam bridge road.

State Fair Will
Start Labor Day

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The Oregon State Fair association set the state fair for September 6 to 11 at its ninth annual conference here today.

This action won over requests for a later date to give agriculture more thorough representation. The fair was set over the Labor day weekend because the holiday will bring added attendance.

President Herman H. Childgren of Molalla was retained. Other officers elected included T. J. Krudiger, Portland, vice-president; Mabel H. Chadwick, Eugene, secretary-treasurer; L. H. Pearce, Coos county, N. A. Burdick, Redmond, and Mrs. Willard Herman, Harrisburg, directors.

The association adopted legislative resolutions to remove responsibility for a possible deficit from the director of the state department of agriculture and to oppose a move to eliminate state fair direction from the agricultural department.

Germany Pictures
Breadline in U.S.

Both shipowners and representatives of the cooks and stewards union conceded week-long peace-making efforts had broken down in an impasse over workers' demands for an 8-hour day.

Employer Representative T. G. Plant met to negotiate with the masters, and announced shortly thereafter a "complete disagreement" over demands for union recognition and employment preference for its members.

However, Harry Lundeberg, salient union spokesman, straggled along with Plant in an effort to reach an agreement affecting that union and the employers.

Miller Hit by Truck

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Gay Miller, 31, was injured in a hospital treatment today for a badly injured right leg, suffered when he was struck by a bakery truck, a police report said. The accident occurred near an intersection. The driver was not held.



The most serious situation in the far east since Japan established the puppet state of Manchukuo, setting up China's former boy-emperor, Henry Fu-Yi, as ruler, is seen in the abduction of Chiang Kai-shek, China's premier, by revolting troops under the command of Marshal Chang Hsueh-Liang. Probability of Japanese intervention in case of extensive civil war is a point on which special concern is manifest.

Sianfu Attack Resumption Is Now Expected

Chiang Fails to Appear: Release by Today Is Officials' Demand

Longer Delay Is Vetoed, Negotiations Remain Guarded Secret

NANKING, Dec. 20.—(Sunday)—(AP)—The mutineers in Sianfu today apparently had called the hand of the Nanking government on its sudden announcement last night a military officer against the rebels would be resumed unless Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek was released by today.

The generalissimo, held captive since a week ago yesterday by Marshal Chang Hsueh-Liang, had not arrived in Nanking up to an early hour yesterday afternoon nor had he arrived elsewhere in Nanking's territory so far as could be ascertained here.

At the same time, what the Nanking military leaders were doing to carry out their threatened drive on the mutineers was not disclosed.

Local chieftains said the field commanders in Lo Yang and Cheng-Chow, both in Honan province, had not advised them of developments today.

Soong Repetition
On Trip to Sianfu
Military officials, while stating they were not informed of today's happenings on the Shensi border, reiterated that "it should be evident now our original conviction was correct that the only solution is military force and to quit wasting time in talking."

T. V. Soong, brother of Madame Chiang Kai-shek, was expected to arrive in Sianfu today from Lo Yang where he spent the night en route from Nanking.

It was hoped to see both Generalissimo Chiang and Marshal Chang to invoke the long friendship of the marshal for the man he now holds captive in order to obtain the generalissimo's freedom.

All faiths today prayed for the captive Chiang, the Muslims offering a lamb sacrifice and the Christians praying and fasting.

NANKING, China, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The Nanking government tonight ordered its crack divisions encircling Sianfu to resume their drive on that center of Marshal Chang Hsueh-Liang's rebellion tomorrow morning unless Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is released before then.

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Constable Office
Audit Authorized

Audits by the secretary of state of the Salem justice of peace court and the county constable's office were authorized yesterday in an order signed by the members of the justice court. The audit of the justice court will cover the year 1936, with authority being given to the secretary of state to audit the constable book "as far back as is deemed necessary."

The county court recently refused to accept the resignation of Walter DeLong on the constable's position until an audit of the office was completed. DeLong offered his resignation when ill health interfered with his carrying on the work of the office.

The court also signed its usual winter road order restricting use of unpaved roads in the county to vehicles having not more than 350 pounds to each inch of tire width on any one axle. The order will remain in effect until May 1. This regulation is adopted each year by the court to avoid the clogging up of roads during the rainy weather.

Request Children
To Pray For Pope

World-Wide Program to Be Urged; Fever Worries Vatican Physician

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Children all over the world were asked tonight to pray for Pope Pius.

The vatican newspaper, Osservatore Romano, suggested the great crusade of child prayer, that th old father, now seriously ill from a slight attack of paralysis and circulatory congestion, might reach his 80th birthday next May 21.

The French Augustinians already have begun such a crusade. Physicians were concerned tonight by the pontiff's slight fever, which reached 99.5. They were anxious lest some new complication should have set in. There is a wave of influenza at present in Rome.

Persons close to the pope said the condition of his legs remained unchanged, and that there was constant danger that a varicose vein might burst. Dr. Amanti Milan, leaving the pontiff's side today, said:

"His holiness knows as well as I do that no medicine can do more for him than complete repose. Let us hope he will collaborate with us."

Today the pontiff regretfully cancelled his traditional Christmas eve reception of his cardinals, for which invitations were issued yesterday. It was learned the pope now was impressed by the fact that each unusual exertion of recent days has caused a setback in his condition.

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Corporate Profit
Tax Under Attack

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The chamber of commerce of the United States struck at the corporate profits tax today.

It said this new levy on undistributed earnings of corporations has injected "artificialities" into the business situation.

Turning to a discussion generally, the chamber drew a bright outline of conditions, saying that "new stabilizers" are being created out of recent economic gains.

Industrial advances, it continued in its periodical Washington review, "are most marked in those branches of business which suffered deepest depression."

Drop in Assessed Valuation
Shown; Final Figures Given

A reduction in total assessed valuations in Oregon of approximately \$35,900,000 in comparison to the 1935 figures, is shown in a tabulation released Saturday by the state tax commission.

County assessor's property valuations for 1936 aggregated \$736,384,750.06 as against \$781,129,734.32 in 1935. Utility valuations, as apporportioned by the state tax commission, totalled \$273,269,361.67 in 1936 as compared to \$283,733,287.12 in the previous year.

These valuations are used by the state tax commission in fixing the state tax levy for 1937. County property valuations are equalized and apportioned by the county equalization boards.

Mail Delivery on
Sunday Arranged;
Limit on Parking

All incoming mail received at the Salem postoffice prior to Saturday's last day delivery, had been "cleared up" but Postmaster Henry R. Crawford said Saturday night he planned to have package wagons operate today, fearing too great a pile-up of packages if this were delayed until Monday. People in the residence districts may expect some deliveries today.

Following up its action with active police enforcement, the city council traffic committee yesterday decreed 30-minute parking on Church street between State and Court and on the north side of State between Church and Cottage to relieve congestion caused by heavy Christmas mailings at the postoffice. The action was the result of an appeal by Postmaster Crawford earlier in the week that steps be taken to remedy the situation. The 30-minute order was considered a temporary one.

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White is graduate of Salem high school and Willamette university. He took graduate foreign service work at the University of Washington and passed his diplomatic examination in 1931. Separate appointments were held to a minimum during the depression.

White did not receive his last post until late in 1935. Before going with the diplomatic service White served as assistant to Elmer Goudy, state relief administrator.

Burglar Invades
Home of Krueger

Salem's new crime wave continued to blossom last night, with a report to police that the home of Otto Krueger, 774 Trade street, had been broken into sometime between 7 and 10 o'clock. Several pieces of jewelry were reported as missing. No money was taken.

Police reported that entrance to the house had been made through a screened window. The screen was torn off and the window forced open.

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Aircraft companies, with valuations of \$120,000 were listed for the first time this year.

Other utility valuations for 1936 compared with those in 1935 follow: Electric companies, 1936 valuation \$92,601,189.95; 1935 valuation \$63,288,273.20.

Telephone companies, 1936 valuation \$3,328,099.50. Telephone companies, 1936 valuation \$3,328,099.50. Telephone companies, 1936 valuation \$3,328,099.50.

Ivan White Going
To Post in Japan

Salem Man to Be Consular Aide in Yokohama; to Visit Here on Way

Announcement was made by the state department in Washington yesterday that Ivan B. White, son of Dr. and Mrs. B. H. White, 355 North Capitol street, has been appointed to the position of vice consul at Yokohama, Japan. He will leave for his new position soon after the first of the year.

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By the Way

4 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

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