

Sit-Down Strikers Rout Non-Union Forces

The Weather
Unsettled today, probably showers; Monday probably rain; Tues. Saturday, 64, Min. 80, river 5.4 feet, rain .91 inch, south wind.

Salem High Is State Mat Champ

Titles in Four Of Weights Go To Local Boys

Benson With Two Ranked Second; Franklin Has Pair of Victories

Permanent Trophy Taken by Local School and Medals Presented

By PAUL HAUSER
Salem high took back the state high school wrestling championship last night as four of Coach Vern Gilmore's squad of 13 wrestlers grappled their way through the finals and into championships in their weight divisions.

It was Salem's third championship in six years and made Salem even-up with Benson in championships won.

Benson placed two wrestlers in championship to take second place, winning over Franklin, which also placed two, by virtue of a greater number of runner-ups.

Corvallis and Oregon City each placed one wrestler in weight championships.

Salem was awarded the permanent state championship trophy, a statuette of two wrestlers in action, and each winner in the ten weight divisions was presented a medal.

Four Salem Youths Oregon Champions

The new champions are: 105 pounds, Webb, Corvallis; 112 pounds, Kay, Mio, Salem; 118 pounds, Ebert, Franklin; 126 pounds, Earl Nichols, Salem; 135 pounds, Williams, Franklin; 145 pounds, Graves, Oregon City; 155 pounds, Meyers, Salem; 165 pounds, Phillip, Benson; 175 pounds, Cavasano, Benson; heavyweight, Nunn, Salem.

Phillip, Benson, was the only repeater but did not gain his second championship in the same weight class. Phillip last year won the 175-pound class and this year the 185.

An unexpected win by Nunn, Salem heavyweight, over Manning of Benson in the next to the last event cinched the title for Salem.

Salem Places Nine in Tourney

Salem placed nine men in the finals, five more than Benson, which had four. In one event, the 155 pound class, two Salem wrestlers, Cottow and Meyers, were pitted against each other in the finals. Meyers won a decision.

Tom Mio, who had to go through two quarter-final matches to reach the semi-finals, lost to Ebert of Franklin in the 112 pound class but deserved a medal of some kind for wrestling three times in one night. Mio decided Nishkawa of Benson in their quarter-final rematch, staged last night after their Friday match was no decision after three overtimes, and then defeated Nishkawa in the final.

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Catholic Tourney Games Are Close

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 27.-(P)-St. Mary's at Beaverton was the first quintet to enter the semi-finals of the Catholic high school tournament here by virtue of two victories in the day's play.

The Beaverton team won from The Dalles in the afternoon, 34 to 12, and defeated Sacred Heart of Salem tonight, 21 to 16, in a thrilling, nip and tuck battle.

In the other night game, St. Mary's of Eugene won from St. Stephen's of Portland, 27 to 22.

Victors in the afternoon play were Mount Angel, defeating St. Mary's of Medford 38 to 11, and Columbia Preps, who won from Star of the Sea, Astoria, 23 to 17.

Elderly Actress Misses Last Cue

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.-(P)-Maude O'Reil, "Bessie Rice" in "Tobacco Road," since the show opened on Broadway four years ago, was found dead in her dressing room tonight, a few minutes before she was to have gone on the stage. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

The show went on. James Barton, the star, who plays Jeeter Lester, and the audience were not informed of the death of the 81-year-old character actress from Charleston, S. C. They were told that Miss O'Reil had been taken ill, when it became necessary to read "Bessie Rice's" lines from the wings.

Blast in Highway Shop Severe; Five Employees Escape Serious Injury

Wilkinson Burned About Face and Arms, Not Badly; Ahalt Slightly Hurt; Three Others Unscathed; Skylights All Shattered, Doors Blown Off

A oil tank blast that shattered all skylights in the highway department blacksmith shop near the penitentiary shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday morning miraculously failed to injure seriously the five state employees who were at work there.

The flash of flame that followed the explosion burned Lynn Wilkinson about the face, neck and arms, scorching his hair, but a physician said the injuries did not appear to be serious. Harry Ahalt was slightly burned. Neither was taken to a hospital.

Although they were working beside the tank when the dome blew out, Martin Fischer and John Harshberger, welders, and Fred Wickman were unharmed.

Damage to the large shop building, which lies southwest of the main highway shop structure, was relatively light. In addition to wrecking three large skylights, the blast blew the bottoms of sliding doors at each end of the plant off their tracks.

Cause of the blast was not immediately ascertained. It was believed that sparks from a welding torch set fire to fumes from the tank, which had contained road oil.

Amusements and Luxuries to Bear Load, Scheme of House Sponsors

Two new tax measures, designed to produce funds for old age assistance appeared in the house yesterday. They were sponsored by the taxation and revenue committee. They would place a tax on amusements and luxuries.

Luxuries would be taxed 10 per cent of the gross sale price. They would include tobaccos and tobacco products, all malt syrups and other extracts, syrup combinations or derivatives used as a base or content in the manufacture, making or perfecting of any beverage and all cosmetics and beauty preparations including perfume, bath salts, body creams, rouges, face powders, hair tonics, depilatories and items used to change the shade of the hair.

The second bill would impose a tax of one cent on each 26 cents paid for admission, thus exempting tickets of 25 cents and under. Any admission where part of the price is for entertainment and part for food would be taxed 20 per cent of the total price. Theaters, athletic contests, exhibitions, dances, carnivals, circuses and similar entertainments would be affected. Religious, agricultural and school events are exempted.

Defendants Given Damages by Jury

A circuit court jury brought in three verdicts, all for the defendants, after deliberating four hours yesterday afternoon over the case of Joe F. Ringwald vs. Douglas McKay, Inc., and Dean R. Adams.

The jury allowed the McKay firm \$222.63 on its \$297.63 counter-claim for motor vehicle damage arising from the accident involving, near the East Laidlaw Center store last June 27, also found for the other defendant, Adams, but allowed him nothing on his \$1090 counter-claim for personal injuries and in the third verdict found jointly for the two defendants without consideration of damages. Lena V. Robbins was jury foreman.

Ringwald had asked for \$380 for damages to his automobile.

Clarence T. Wilson Better

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 27.-(P)-Dr. Clarence True Wilson, nationally known temperance leader, who suffered a stroke Thursday, was reported "still improving" by his nurse tonight.

Kidnaped Argentina Child Is Discovered Slain Near Home

LA PLATA, Argentina, Feb. 27.-(P)-Baby Eugenio Peyrera Iracola, Argentina's "Lindbergh baby," was found today, the life choked out of his little body. It happened almost five years to the day after Charles A. Lindbergh Jr. was kidnaped from Jersey's Sorrisland hills.

Like Baby Lindbergh, two-year-old Eugenio, the seventh child of a baronial cattle wealth, was killed by his kidnaper. He was stripped of his little suit, choked and wounded, and left, his arms crossed on his chest, in the slime of a pipe at the edge of beautiful "La Sorpresa," his parents' estate.

"Argentina's greatest murder hunt was on tonight. Several suspects already were held. But police were reluctant to decide whether one of these was the "bearded man" who carried little Eugenio away last Wednesday evening and left him in the pignone, a mile and a half from his rambling, luxurious home.

First word today that Eugenio had been found sent his grandfather, the powerful Senator Antonio Santa Marina, speeding from Mar Del Plata for the Estancia with physicians, on the hope the baby was still alive. It was a lost hope.

Both Sides in Court Dispute Gain Recruits

Smathers Is for Scheme of Roosevelt While Donahey Objects

Three Decisions Bearing on New Deal May Be Made on Monday

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.-(P)-Supporters and opponents of the Roosevelt proposal for reorganizing the judiciary each gained a state recruit today.

Senator Smathers (D., N. J.) declared himself for the white house program, asserting that "all the people of the nation will be best served by adding new and younger members to the supreme court, men with liberal and progressive approach to the nation's social and economic problems."

Senator Donahey (D., O.) aligned himself with the opposition and said "this entire controversy vitally affects the judiciary, a co-ordinate branch of the government and should be referred to the people—the source of all political power."

Pope on Radio in Defense of Plan

Meanwhile, the supreme court retirement act, which congressional leaders hope may bring about some withdrawals from the high bench, and a diminution of the present tense conflict, awaited President Roosevelt's certain signature.

Tonight, Senator Pope (R., Idaho) went on the radio to urge the enactment of the Roosevelt legislation, asserting that a major portion of a legislative program approved by the people in the last election is "at the mercy of the reactionary judges packed into the court by former presidents."

The court itself, meanwhile, imperturbably prepared for its first decision day in a fortnight next Monday. The tribunal has had under consideration three

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Sonja Falls Down Just Like Novice

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 27.-(P)-Sonja Henie, the skating movie star, fell flat but went over big in an exhibition here today.

The ice was bad. Her manager said it was. In pursuit of that theme he called off an event billed as the "dying swan" to care much, but Sonja's aplomb suffered considerably. It took some minutes to get the smile back on her face and she spent a considerable part of the evening scooting from one section of the ice to another hunting a piece smooth and hard enough for her pirouetting. She got a big hand, even on the fall.

About all the tumble proved was that a champion falls on the ice just like anybody else. Sonja's down, very firmly, and scooted some yards in that position with her feet well above the surface.

It all happened just as her show opened.

Solo "Chain Gang" Of Klamath Quits

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Feb. 27.-(P)-Klamath Falls was without Miles Wakson, the city's one-man chain gang, today, and police said that since "he was reported to have left town they were just as well satisfied."

Wakson, officers said, was hobbled while removing snow from city streets because of a tendency to wander off in search of a drink. He was left behind when other prisoners were taken to dinner last night, and officers reported the lock had been cut from the city jail and Miles had departed when they returned.

Police School to Be Provided Here

EUGENE, Ore., Feb. 27.-(P)-Warren G. Hyde, director of the League of Oregon Cities project to provide schools for police officers, named 11 cities in which instruction will be provided.

They are: Astoria, Salem, Foreston, La Grange, The Dalles, Corvallis, Eugene, Marshfield, Medford, Klamath Falls and Bend. Representatives of the University of Oregon law school, the federal bureau of investigation, state and Portland police will assist in the instruction, which will begin late in March.

Fluke Leaves Pension Issue Up To Senate

Passage of Finance Bill Obviates Necessity, Houses Agreeing

Compromise Is Possible; Another Full Week of Session, Prospect

By C. A. SPRAGUE
The fate of old age pension legislation rests squarely with the state senate and undoubtedly will remain there. When the house passed without amendment HB 476, the bill for financing relief and old age pensions, which the senate passed with clarity yesterday, control on the pension issue passed out of its hands. For HB 476 does provide funds for pensions according to the present law. That being enacted the senate can do what it pleases about changing the age limit. For if there is no agreement between the houses the old law will hold.

The way this happened was not smart politics but dumb politics. The house pension bloc, slated over its success Thursday in passing HB 472 lowering the age requirement to 65 years, and having no care or no idea as to where the additional money is to come from, jauntily on Friday passed HB 476, the appropriation measure, without an amendment, and this had provided funds for age 70 pensions only. The senate passed the bill Saturday without change. There was no indication last night that the house group realized that they had relinquished their position; nor any indication that the senators knew the power was passing into their hands.

Governor Unlikely To Sign HB 472
Of course after the senate comes the governor, with a power of veto. He will undoubtedly sign HB 476 which will take care of present pensioners. It is doubtful if he would sign HB 472 in its present form.

What the senate will do with HB 472 which establishes the requirements for pensions cannot be foretold, although there is a strong sentiment for more liberal pensions. It may be Wednesday before the ways and means committee which has the bill at present is ready to consider the subject. This means that adjournment before next Saturday night is almost out of the question. There are possibilities that the two houses may have to call in the boy scouts both to "do a good turn" and to show them how to untie knots they may get into before the session closes.

Pension possibilities include a compromise. If on the recheck supplemental funds are found, the pension age might be lowered to 68 as was proposed in one committee. "No one" else was mentioned.

Members have reached the "wants a home" stage. So have the lobbyists and attaches outside of the per diem folk. People are tired. They are tired of the strain; tired of the talk; tired of seeing the same people day after day and

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Pancake Champion Crowned; Eats 36 Beating Out "Dad"

WINTER WIS., Feb. 27.-(P)-Arvid Kvist, 7-year-old farm youth, looked up from an empty plate tonight after 61 minutes of steady pancake eating to realize he had been declared the national champion flapjack devourer—with his father as runner-up.

"I could eat more if the competition was better," smiled Arvid as he wiped syrup and gobs of butter from his cheeks and lips.

"Flukes," came back his father, Carl, "as long as I've got a son who can live up to the family name why I thought I'd let him win."

Arvid downed 36 pancakes, each seven inches across and plenty thick, while his father did away with 28 in what the American Legion post sponsors claimed the first national contest of its kind.

Late Sports

EUGENE, Ore., Feb. 27.-(P)-Oregon State rooks eked out a 43 to 41 win over the University of Oregon freshmen here tonight to even the count in the fourth and final game between the freshmen rivals this season.

Merle Krueger of the rocks and John Dick of the frosh were the two high men, with 12 points each.

The battle was nip and tuck all the way, with the balance seldom exceeding 1 or 2 points for either side.

Cameraman Records Progress on State Capitol, Salem Postoffice



Top picture, view of construction on the new Oregon capitol building looking toward the east, with wooden forms for concrete mostly in evidence; middle picture, view of the same project looking westward, with progress on the concrete work more in evidence; lower picture, present stage of construction on Salem's new postoffice building.

Bodies From Iowa Wreck Appearing

Vessel Lost January Last Year Breaking Up, Is Belief on Coast

ASTORIA, Ore., Feb. 27.-(P)-Bodies found floating in the Pacific ocean from Astoria to South Bend, Wash., led mariners to believe the sunken hull of the wrecked steamer Iowa is breaking up under the action of the currents and releasing its cargo of dead.

The freighter met disaster in a great storm a year ago last January and sank off Peacock Spit with the loss of its entire crew of 24 men.

The theory, substantiated by the discovery of Iowa timbers and hawsers at Klipsan beach on the Washington coast, may solve the "floating death" mystery at South Bend. Three bodies have been found in Willapa Harbor, leading to unsubstantiated rumors of a wholesale killing.

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Oviedo Still Held By Fascist Force

Loyalists Enter But Held Up by Rain; Big Guns Attack at Madrid

(By The Associated Press)
Spanish belligerents hung grimly last night to besieged strongholds as the civil war raged in its eighth month.

Oviedo, in northern Spain, remained in insurgent hands but government reports said attacking militiamen captured the provincial capital's prison and a slaughter house before rain stalled the offensive.

An insurgent statement issued from the headquarters at Salamanca meanwhile declared the government's second big offensive against Oviedo had been resisted. Insurgent commanders within the beleaguered city asserted their foe had lost 13,000 men while their own losses were "minor."

Refugees arriving in Bayonne, France, however, said casualties

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Valley Flood Control Voted Fair Trade Also Past House

Just a week from the day it passed the senate, Senator Douglas McKay's flood control measure received approval of the house. It passed without opposition and now goes to the governor for his signature.

The bill carries an appropriation and merely authorizes counties to enter into contracts with the federal government for the development of any control program where the government is financing the work.

Representative Grace Magruder, in explaining the bill, said that the federal government has appropriated \$2,500,000 for preliminary work on the program on the Willamette.

Ultimate completion of the flood and irrigation plan, which has been sponsored by the Great Willamette valley project committee, contemplates the construction of seven dams in the

Three Injured; Coast-Factory Reopening Set

More Trouble Feared as Douglas Resumption Monday Announced

Picketing Will Continue There; Most of Group Arrested Now Free

(By The Associated Press)
Embattled unionists came to grips with their adversaries yesterday at a pivotal point on the nation's coast-to-coast strike front.

"Sitdown" strikers, bombarded with heavy lead pellets, swarmed into the administration building of the Ferro Stampings Co. at Detroit and routed most of their 25 non-union foes. A woman and two men were injured.

Gov. Frank Murphy offered the services of state labor commissioner G. A. Krogotz in adjusting a score of labor disputes in progress there. A strike of 168 workers forced 1,000 into idleness at the Michigan Mallean Iron Co. Approximately 100 salesgirls at the P.W. Woolworth five and ten cent store, and 15 drivers and salesmen at the Canada Dry Ginger Ale Co. started "sitdown" strikes. Six hundred "went out" at Thompson Products, Inc.

Picket Lines Are Tightened; 30,000 Idle
Picket lines tightened in other centers. Altogether about 30,000 were jobless in controversies over wages and union recognition at a half hundred factories and foundries, mills and boat yards, and utility and airplane plants in many sections of the nation.

Pickets gathered at the Fansteel Metallurgical corporation in North Chicago, Ill., where 61 strikers fled a tear gas attack Friday. Fire union and Committee for Industrial Organization leaders were hunted on warrants charging conspiracy to obstruct a court order for the strikers' eviction. Two others were arrested and released on bond.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 27.-(P)-The Douglas Aircraft factory will reopen Monday, President Donald Douglas announced today as most of its 342 sitdown strikers, indicted and jailed on trespass conspiracy charges, were released without bond.

President John K. Northrop also announced reopening Monday of the Northrop plant, Douglas subsidiary, scene of a sitdown strike abandoned yesterday under threats of more indictments and Northrop's promises of negotiation.

Shortly after the announcement, a spokesman for the striking union, the United Automobile Workers of America, aircraft division, said picketing at the Douglas plant probably would continue Monday.

Questioned About Rejoining Pickets
Before these statements came, authorities asked one of the Douglas strikers as they released him without bond:

"Will you rejoin the picket line?"

"Not necessarily," replied Robert Paine, patternmaker.

Douglas' announcement was a decision to reopen the factory was "in response to a petition signed by hundreds of employees" asking that operations "be resumed at the earliest possible moment."

In the absence of William Busick, C.I.O. organizer and strike leader who was among those indicted, but released on bond, the spokesman at union headquarters said "so far as we know, pickets will still be on duty at Douglas Monday."

Legion, Grange and Labor Want Solons' Pay Higher

The American Legion, Oregon state grange and Oregon state federation of labor, have joined in asking the legislature to pass a resolution for a constitutional amendment to increase the compensation for legislators to \$8 per day.

The sessions would be extended to 90 days under the request.

When Clint F. Haight was in the house, just two short years ago, the members heard him off episode, in tones not sweet nor low, the firm advice to rush their bills and cease their endless votes, so he could live as a congressman. Bills are passed as copybook and now in 1937, as session fingers itch, the members think "I would be the heaven to hear that hymn of Haight."

BALLADE TODAY
By R. C.