

Weather
Rain and cloudy today and Thurs. Max. temp. Tues. 50, min. 43, river 11.6 feet, south wind.

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EIGHTY-NINTH YEAR

In One Ear...

—Paul Hauser's Column

Old Mr. Valentine, who was one of the less ancient Romans and a Christian martyr to boot, started something. Mr. Valentine, who long since has joined the saints, used to sit in his cell, when he was waiting to be a Christian martyr, and write notes to people and some obliging doves, who were hanging Paul Hauser, if around the jailhouse, used to deliver them, thus saving him postage.

Whether Mr. Valentine, who was no relation to the late Jimmy Valentine, ever bothered to put his notes into verse we don't know, but people got that idea. The idea took, but like so many inventors, Saint Valentine never cashed on it. The writing card companies did, though.

We have been thinking about Valentines and with the aid of some crepe paper, a crepe hair beard, a pot of paste and a rhyming dictionary we wrote a few.

VALENTINE FOR AN ESKIMO LADY

At fifty below
In the ice and snow
My blood runs hot for you.
On my parka park
Before it's too dark
And share my new igloo.
It is weren't so cold
I'd not be so bold.
My little fur-wrapped dove,
On the frozen brine
Be my Valentine
In the land of blubberly love.

Valentine for a native (female) of East Borneo, Dutch East Indies.
Your hair is shaggy;
Your eyes are wild;
Your bones are scraggy;
Your teeth are filed.
Your breath is like the turpentine.
Oh, won't you be my Valentine?

SPECIAL EVENT DEDICATED TO MR. AND MRS. HARRY GWYN, WHO BOTH (2) CELEBRATE THEIR BIRTHDAYS ON ST. VALENTINE'S DAY, FEBRUARY THE 14TH, BEING A SLIGHTLY SENTIMENTAL BALLAD.

You needn't send forth frothy lines
Mad from a rhymester's monkey-shines.
From those old days of crinolines
You've been each other's Valentines.

Unhappy ode on the futility of Valentines of all sorts, being especially prepared to leave a moral and a strong taste of fish in the mouth of the reader.

Candy's fattening,
Cards are common;
Verses flattering
Bards abomine.
So, dewy with wet,
You roses leave her.
What does she get?
She gets hay fever!

Cold Wave Causes Suffering, Europe

(By The Associated Press)
Europe's unprecedented cold spread across the southeast Tuesday, taking a mounting toll of lives, harassing communications and adding to the British-French blockade of Nazi Germany.

Fifty died in Hungary alone, trans-European trains were halted in the Balkans by raging blizzards, and distress calls poured in from Aegean and Mediterranean shipping.

A coal shortage added to Balkan hardships.

Oil and food trains bound for Germany were stalled along with passenger trains in gale-driven snowdrifts. Telephone and telegraph lines were snarled by ice from rain which froze as it fell.

Isolated on Danube river boats were more than 2,500 central European Jewish refugees. One group, frozen in since Jan. 1 near Cladova, Rumania, was reported to have died of cold.

Balkan residents slept in their overcoats, their coal bins empty.

Sentence Commutations Go Before Governor at Conference Here Today

Numerous parole problems will be discussed at a conference here Wednesday between Governor Charles A. Sprague, Gerald W. Mason, member of the state parole board, and Fred S. Finley, state parole director.

Finley said commutations of sentence would be recommended to the governor in a number of penitentiary cases. He also said names of those involved would not be disclosed until Governor Sprague had taken action.

Income Tax Hits WPA

E. J. Griffith, state administrator of the works progress administration, has informed County Clerk U. G. Boyer that all WPA workers are liable for payment of federal income tax if their total incomes are over \$1,000, if single, or, if married, over \$2,500. The order also applies to state income taxes. Griffith indicated, where the limits are \$300 for single and \$1,500 for married people.

Drager Says Money Is Repaid On Each Accomodation Check

Demo Machine Forces in KC Show no Fight

Charter Change Booting out Pendergast Men in April Okehed

Five Propositions With old Regime Support Badly Defeated

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Tom Pendergast's once-powerful democratic machine was routed at every turn in today's special election.

It offered no resistance to a charter amendment to end its rule at the city hall in April and rallied little support for a proposal to put firemen under civil service. Four other propositions drafted by one of its councilmen also were defeated.

Boss Tom himself couldn't help his organization. He and several of his lieutenants are in Leavenworth prison for dodging income taxes.

More than 110,000 of 192,000 registered voters struck with ballots at the political organization which hooded the city of millions of dollars. They ordered, by a five to one majority, an amendment to end the terms of all elective officials April 17 by reducing their tenure from four to two years. They smashed four machine-fostered amendments by the same majority.

The firemen's civil service plan failed of passage by almost two to one.

Claim Civil Service Already in Charter

Anti-machine forces opposed the proposition on the theory the city charter—ignored under Pendergast rule—provides civil service and the measure under good government would be merely a hindrance.

Unofficial returns from all of the city's 462 precincts gave: For the ouster 95,855; against 17,235.

For civil service 39,335; against 74,421.

Hal W. Luhnaw, chairman of the united anti-machine campaign forces, said the result is "the decisive answer of an aroused citizenry against 14 years of machine misrule. It is a victory for decency and honesty and an answer to 14 years of graft, corruption, stolen elections and the national shame which the machine cast on Kansas City."

Anti-Machine Forces Vote to Stick Together

Observers speculated freely that the machine either intended to contest the election's legality or to wait until April to do battle in the hope the fused forces of republicans, independent democrats and business men would split in the scramble for office.

But the anti-machine forces say there will be no discord in their ranks in April. They plan tentatively to select a democratic candidate for mayor and an equal number of democrats and republicans for the council seats.

For the first time in eight years the police force which patrolled the voting precincts today was not controlled by the Pendergast administration. It is operating now under a board appointed by Pendergast's bitter democratic foe, Gov. Lloyd C. Stark.

Crew of Scuttled Liner May Visit Portland Soon

PORTLAND, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Robert G. Clostermann, Portland German consul said today it was not improbable that crew members of the scuttled German liner Columbus would be brought here in an effort to find a ship willing to return them to Germany.

The crew is interned at Angel Island immigration station at San Francisco.

Nearly Billion for Navy Is Asked in Bill Before House

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—A bill providing \$966,722,878 for the navy—a record peacetime appropriation despite a slash of \$111,699,699 below President Roosevelt's recommendations—started through the house today amid warnings that the crew members of the scuttled German liner Columbus would be brought here in an effort to find a ship willing to return them to Germany.

While cutting deeply into estimates for ship construction, ordnance and naval aircraft, the appropriations committee urged that the projected battleships and new cruisers be restudied with a view to making them the most powerful in the world.

The committee also recommended a \$1,000,000 start on a harbor project for the Pacific outpost of Guam, near the navy's largest proposed development of the island aroused a storm of controversy last year.

Of \$28,628,021 logged from the

State Completes Its Testimony In Trial of Treasurer Drager



The state rested its case Tuesday in the trial of D. G. Drager, Marion county treasurer, on charges of larceny of public funds. Key testimony for the prosecution was given by Floyd Bowers, left, and Bernard Davis, center, of the state department's auditing division. At right is Francis Marsh, special prosecutor.—Statesman staff photo.

Tammany Official Under Indictment

William Solomon Charged With Extortion, State Printing Contract

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—(AP)—William Solomon, an influential Tammany district leader, and Charles H. Mullens, a republican assistant deputy state comptroller, were arrested today on an indictment accusing them of having extorted \$34,833 for negotiating \$750,000 in state contracts for the Burdick Printing company, Inc.

They were taken into custody in the office of District Attorney Thomas E. Dewey when they arrived there, with counsel, at the prosecution's request. Both pleaded innocent to a seven-count indictment, specifically charging bribery, extortion and taking unlawful fees, and bail for each was fixed at \$10,000.

It was the second serious accusation made this week against Solomon, who has been one of the most powerful Tammany bosses since Dewey convicted District Leader James J. Hines last February for conspiracy in the operation of the state printing plant.

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Winter's Heaviest Snow Is Recorded

PORTLAND, Feb. 13.—(AP)—A blanket of new snow, heaviest of the winter in some sections, covered parts of eastern and southern Oregon today.

Plows operated on the Siskiyou section of the Pacific highway. The Diamond lake secondary highway in eastern Oregon was closed. Fifteen inches were reported on Sun mountain, high pass between Bend and Klamath Falls on The Dalles-California highway.

The fall reached a depth of two feet in some mountain sections of eastern Oregon. Two inches fell at Bend.

Roads to Crater Lake national park remained open despite 1 1/2 inches of new snow that brought the total depth to 9 1/2 inches.

The snow melted as it fell in the Medford section of the Rogue river valley, replenishing irrigation water reservoirs.

Rain doused western Oregon and more snows were forecast for Wednesday by the government weather bureau.

Resurfacing City Pools Is Ordered

School Board Lets \$3000 Job; Leslie Play Area Project Studied

A bid of \$3000 from Judd Beardsley for the resurfacing of Leslie and Olinger swimming pools was accepted by the Salem school board at a short meeting last night. It was the only bid submitted.

The two lowest bids for wood, submitted by Henry Fern of Dallas and Harry Edwards of Salem, were referred to the supplies committee for action. Fern's bid ranged from \$3.25 to \$3.40 and Edward's from \$3.25 to \$3.40.

Four other firms submitted bids, ranging from \$3.44 to \$3.98. Second growth four-foot fir is called for.

The board will gather Thursday morning at 9 o'clock to go to the Leslie school grounds to look over property acquired for additional playground there about a year ago to see if clearing of the property will furnish a project for the national youth administration. Chester Nelson, NYA administrator here, has asked the school board if it can supply any projects at this time. Superintendent Frank Bennett reported. Other possible projects suggested were moving the dirt by the new underpass to the high school football field and cutting the grass on the Richmond school playground.

A letter from the local Women's Christian Temperance union was read expressing appreciation at the policy of the school board expressed last week protesting against extension of beer and wine stores in school and residential districts.

Late Sports

WALLA WALLA, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Pacific university took the upper hand tonight with a 55-45 victory over Whitman to even the two-day Northwest conference basketball series here.

Whitman spurred into an early lead, but suffered a relapse just before the half when the visitors led 29-28, coming back for a hair-raising last half which saw the count tied up three times.

Center B. Cooney of Pacific hit the ring with increasing regularity for 21 points, while Bullock paced the losers with 11.

McMINNVILLE, Ore., Feb. 13.—(AP)—Portland university defeated Linfield college's Wildcats in a basketball game tonight, 40 to 33, although Linfield's forward, Monroe, was high scorer with 15 points.

High School Basketball Parkrose 39, Beaverton 16. Astoria 43, St. Helens 25. Tillamook 38, Oregon City 30. St. Mary's (Eugene) 27, Colgate Grove 28.

McMINNVILLE, Ore., Feb. 13.—(AP)—The wrestling team from the University of Oregon defeated Linfield college matmen tonight, 23 to 11 points. The Webfoots took four matches on falls and one on decision. Linfield grapplers won two decisions and a fall.

SEATTLE, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Wild Bill Boyd, the sailor man whom Jack Dempsey took under his wing, scored a 10-round decision here tonight over towering Chuck Growell of Los Angeles.

State Exhibits Are Identified And Explained

Payments in Connection With Mining Venture Included in List

Hewlett Testifies Upon Treasurer's Refusal to File Reports

County Treasurer David G. Drager took the witness stand to defend himself yesterday at his trial in circuit court on a charge of larceny of public funds.

County check after a county check, Drager identified as "accommodation checks" issued by him as treasurer and drawn on county funds. In every instance, he declared, he received the money from the county for whom the check was issued and placed it with the county funds.

Questioned carefully by one of his attorneys, Custer E. Ross, Treasurer Drager admitted more than 60 such checks were written on the county treasury but he insisted that in every case the county had been reimbursed promptly from his own pocket-book or from other private sources.

The checks utilized by the defense were the same ones that Special Prosecutor Francis E. Marsh introduced into evidence last week to bolster the state's charges against the treasurer.

Repayment Claim Made for Each Check

At that time it was pointed out in cross-examination that Drager had never denied drawing the checks but had always asserted his immediate repayment. The defendant repeated this claim of prior payment in each instance yesterday afternoon.

The checks at which Drager testified included a number drawn to pay obligations in connection with the mining venture.

Conductor Killed Under Own Train

Nathaniel Swain Falls off Caboose in SP Yards; Jolted by Coupling

Beneath the wheels of his own train, Nathaniel J. Swain, 60, met death yesterday morning at 8:19 o'clock, the time indicated by his wrist railroad watch.

Swain, 445 University street, fell from the rear platform of the caboose of a train on which he was conductor, as the train was being made up, and was decapitated beneath the wheels.

The conductor apparently fell when a first impact failed to couple the cars. The second impact apparently pushed the caboose and possibly two other cars over his body. The accident occurred opposite the American Railway Express office in the Southern Pacific yards.

Dave McRae, 2242 North Fourth street, a switchman, told investigators that Swain made an attempt to roll between the rails. McRae said he tried to reach Swain to pull him to safety.

Swain, who employs of the Southern Pacific company since July 30, 1909, other members of the train crew, none of whom saw the accident, are: A. A. Look, Portland, engineer; J. A. Reilly, Beaverton, fireman; Eldon Vaughn, Dallas, and Clarence V. Woolsey, Salem.

Coroner L. E. Barrick was called and took charge of the body. There will be no inquest.

Survivors are the widow, Flora E. Swain of Salem; sons, Glenn N. of Omaha, Neb., Ivan E. of Fargo, N.D., and a stepson, F. R. Fitzmaurice of Spokane, Wash.

Funeral arrangements are being made by the Clough-Barrick company.

Giant Liners Will Be Convertible to Aircraft Carriers

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The maritime commission made public today details of two giant trans-Pacific liners, capable of being converted quickly into aircraft carriers, which it plans shortly to place under contract.

They will be 755 feet overall, with a beam on the water line of 98.2 feet—larger than any ships ever built in an American yard.

Intended for operation between San Francisco and the Orient, the luxury liners will have a displacement of 35,500 tons and speed of 24 knots. They will carry 1000 passengers and a ship's personnel of about 500.

The commission called the design "unique," adding that construction of such ships had never before been undertaken in any country.

Troopers Save Women Seized By Angry Mob

5 Policemen Halt Crowd of 1000 and Rescue Mother and Girl

Negroes Are Questioned About Slaying; Other Prisoners Are Hid

SNOW HILL, Md., Feb. 14.—(AP)—Five state troopers overtook a crowd estimated officially at 1000 at nearby Stockton, Md., early today and in a brief melee rescued two negro women who had been dragged from the Worcester county jail here several hours earlier.

The women had been taken into custody yesterday afternoon for "investigation" in connection with the Sunday night slaying of Harvey W. Pilchard, Stockton farmer, and the wounding of his wife, Annie.

Pilchard was killed instantly by a shotgun blast into the stomach, fired by one of two marauders point-blank range. His wife was shot in the back as she fled toward the attic to escape. She was reported recovering.

The women were booked under the names of Martha Blake, 31, and her daughter, Lillian Virginia Blake, 14, when they were placed in jail.

Women Are Being Taken to Baltimore

The rescue party started immediately toward Delaware, about 50 miles distant, and announced the women would be brought to Baltimore today for safe-keeping.

Sgt. W. H. Weber of the state police was painfully injured when the rescue party clashed with the crowd, Governor Herbert R. O'Connor announced from Annapolis. The governor said he had received a report that Weber, gutted on the head with a club, managed to load the women in an automobile and drove away.

The governor said an official report to his office placed the crowd at 1000.

Police said the women were not mistreated at any time and that the crowd brought them food and clothing "in an effort to get them to tell" about Pilchard's slaying.

The crowd dispersed after the rescue and police indicated the situation was under control with reinforcements ordered by the governor arriving.

Two Mob Injured; Jail Is Stormed

It was reported that one member of the crowd was shot in the leg and another suffered head injuries.

The governor also announced that two negro men who had been taken into custody had been removed from the jail at Salisbury and taken to some undisclosed place.

Early in the evening the crowd, noisy as it stood about the lawn of the jail here, had battered in a window, attacked a rope to a cell block door and ripped it from its fastenings.

The women then were placed in automobiles and taken to Stockton, where the crowd was met by the police detail.

Philadelphia Has Edge, GOP Meet

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Officials at republican headquarters are of the opinion that the party's national convention probably will be held at Philadelphia some time between June 16 and the end of July.

The situation can change between now and Friday, when the national committee meets to decide upon a time and a place, but preliminary information is said to point very strongly toward the Pennsylvania city.

The prediction is based upon word from Philadelphia that an intensive drive for contributions probably will enable that city to offer the party something approaching \$200,000 for the convention.

Bids of varying amounts are expected, too, from Chicago, St. Louis and San Francisco.

Finns Claim Lost Positions Regained but Aid Is Needed

(By The Associated Press)
Finland told the world Tuesday night that she was holding her own against Russia despite fighting which "surpasses" the most strenuous battles of the "World War"; but the little republic now appeals to "civilized nations" for help.

The Finnish high command in a statement reported the Mannerheim lines defenses on the Karelian isthmus remained unbroken after 13 days of terrific fighting at Summa. It added that conservative estimates placed Russian losses at between 30,000 and 50,000 men, presumably including wounded. Finnish officers said their own losses were surprisingly small.

"The series of battles here (at Summa) may be called something like the 'Summa miracle,'" the statement said, "comparable to the Somme and Verdun, but not

Bill Allowing Loan to Finns Passes Senate

Bloc Led by George Fearing Trend to Involvement Resists Measure but Is Voted Down 49-27

"Entering Wedge" Decried; Effort of Taft to Halve Lending Permit Fails; May Also Aid China

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Voting 49 to 27, the senate today approved legislation to make possible additional loans of \$20,000,000 each to Finland and China.

The bill, passed over the protest of a group which heatedly contended that the action was an "entering wedge" for later loans to Great Britain and France, now goes to the house.

Without naming either Finland or China, the legislation would increase the lending authority of the export-import bank by \$100,000,000 and permit it to extend future credit grants to a maximum of \$20,000,000 for any one country. The money would be used for the purchase of non-military supplies in the country.

In the course of the debate, the senate rejected two amendments—one by Senator Taft (R-Ohio) to cut the proposed increase in lending authority to \$50,000,000 and a second by Senator Danaher (R-Conn.) to forbid the bank to make loans to governments.

Meanwhile, the senate foreign relations committee received from Secretary Hull a letter opposing the application of the neutrality act to the undeclared war between China and Japan. Although the letter's contents were not made public, the administration is known to feel that invoking the act would help Japan and hurt China.

At the same time, the senate banking committee postponed action on a proposal that the treasury abandon its program and policy of purchasing foreign silver. A subcommittee had approved the proposal, but many committee members felt that the news of the state and treasury departments should be studied before action was taken.

Senator George (D-Ga) took a leading part in the opposition to the Finnish proposal. Pending was a measure to increase the lending authority of the export-import bank by \$100,000,000, with authorization to lend up to \$30,000,000 to any one country. Finland already has borrowed \$10,000,000 from the bank. China is also expected to seek additional credit for the purchase of military supplies.

"There is already a feeling growing up that we may be drawn into the European war," George said. For this reason, he contended, the United States should take extreme care about any step that could be interpreted abroad as neutral.

Senator McCarran (D-Nev) denounced the proposition as an "entering wedge," which sets "a precedent under a subterfuge and a guise." He asserted that eventually the authority of the United States would have to lend money to France and England.

Homer M. Smith, Jefferson farmer, yesterday announced his intention to file for the office of county commissioner on a platform offering "dependable, unbiased cooperation."

Associated with the Kenton Traction company of Portland for 18 years, during 14 of which he was superintendent, Smith indicated yesterday that he had had much experience with office management and road maintenance and road maintenance problems.

He has lived in the southern part of the county since 1934, though as a child he attended grammar school in Jefferson when his parents were located near there. Smith is 43 and was born in Astoria.

Youthful Bandits Given Life Terms Soon After Crime

SANTA FE, N.M., Feb. 13.—(AP)—Two youthful bank-robbing brothers, their bravado shattered, were sentenced today to spend the rest of their lives in the state penitentiary, less than 36 hours after they held up and robbed the Espanola State bank of \$1656.

Bill Rowe, 20, Santa Fe garage worker, collapsed in the courtroom after pleading guilty to an armed robbery charge carrying a mandatory life sentence.

His brother, Herbie, 22, unemployed carpenter, pleaded guilty to the same charge.

Sam T. Davis Dies

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Sam T. Davis, 78, a great-nephew of Jefferson Davis, confederate states president during the civil war, died here tonight. Davis was a worker, Jacksonville, Ore., the son of Ben T. Davis, Jefferson Davis' nephew.

He was a member of the Oregon State bar and had practiced law in Astoria, Ore., and in the Oregon State penitentiary.

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