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EIGHTY-NINTH YEAR

In One Ear...
-Paul Hauser's Column

It's spring vacation at Willamette and Salem high school. We learned that yesterday when we brashly walked into the halls of Willamette and attempted to yank open the door of Dr. Baxter's office only to find it sealed solidly as a tomb.

It struck us a little more when we walked into several down-town spots out of the downtown and found a sprinkling of Willamette and high school students and a few high school athletic coaches standing around glumly looking out at the rain.

They are doing quite a bit of checking of names in the county clerk's office, court-house agent informs us, what with elections and all. The other day, it seems, one of the clerk's clerks went thumping through city directories, telephone books and other reference works.

CHUMP'S GARDEN OF VERSES
When spring's pangs begin to poke us
And the rains come on and soak us
Mother Nature's hocus-pocus
First of all brings up the crocus.

MARITIME NOTE
Stripped of her luxurious fittings, the Wheatland Ferry has departed on a mystery voyage. Her goal, informed sources believe, is Champeo, which she will reach by a detour via the Bala Sea.

Offshore Torpedo Boat Given Tests
NEW ORLEANS, March 26.-The PT-6, Uncle Sam's newest type torpedo boat for offshore defense work, thundered along at 46 miles an hour today in its first speed test, and then was prepared for grueling trials at sea.

Barlow Bomb Proves Power
In Unofficial Public Tests

By DALE CLARK
BALTIMORE, March 26.-Lester Barlow's liquid oxygen-carbon explosive, so powerful an eight-ounce charge sent a 40-foot telephone pole flying skyward withstood a public trial of shock and fire today and the inventor announced tonight he was ready for government tests.

Carson Enters GOP Race for Seat in House

"Tad" Shelton Tu. s in His Name for Return as Assessor Here
Mrs. Chester Cox Asking Republican Vote for County Recorder

Allan G. Carson, Salem attorney, bowed into the Marion county republican primary spotlight yesterday afternoon when he filed for the party's nomination for state representative.

Court Says Labor Chief Must Serve Conviction on Perjury Charge of Reynolds Is Upheld

The state supreme court yesterday upheld the conviction of Hugh Reynolds, ex-secretary of the Eugene AFL teamsters union on a charge of perjury. Reynolds is under three years' penitentiary sentence.

Mine Near Baker Closes; Freight Rates too High

BAKER, March 26.-The Cougar-Independence Gold mine, which has employed 60 men the last six months, closed today because freight rates to Tacoma and Salt Lake City smelters were too high, G. P. Lilley of Baker announced.

Renounces Honor Of Favorite Son



BENNETT CHAMP CLARK

Champ Clark not Active Candidate
Receptive to Presidential Choice, Doesn't Want Delegation Bound

WASHINGTON, March 26.-Senator Clark (D-Mo.), who has been looked upon as a potential dark horse presidential candidate, said tonight that he did not desire the "empty honor" of a favorite son designation.

US Can't Control Fisheries, Verdict

ASTORIA, Ore., March 26.-Charles E. Jackson, acting commissioner, US bureau of fisheries, advised the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective union today that transfer of jurisdiction of Columbia river fishing to the federal bureau would be unconstitutional.

Arguments Heard In Winslow Case

The state supreme court yesterday heard arguments in the case of Frank Winslow, ex-Salem police officer who is seeking reinstatement as a member of the local police department.

STERN HALF OF TORPEDOED TANKER CRAWLS TO SAFETY



Liberal Sweep Backs Canada Policy on War

MacKenzie King Regime Handed Near-Record House Majority
Opposition Leader Goes Down Along With His Principal Aides

OTTAWA, March 27.-(Wednesday)-Canada's liberal party government approached a record majority in the house of commons today as returns from yesterday's national election piled up an overwhelming vote of confidence in its war policies.

Delzell Proposes PEP Elimination
Saving in Operating Cost Is Declared Possible; Hearing Continues

PORTLAND, Ore., March 26.-Thomas W. Delzell, independent trustee, testified at a bankruptcy hearing today that he doubts "very much" if any purpose would be served by the continuation of the corporate existence of the Portland Electric Power company.

Late Sports

LOS ANGELES, March 26.-Gunning for a shot at the world's middleweight title, Turkey Thompson, 166, Los Angeles, won a 10-round decision tonight over the former champion of the division, Teddy Yarosz, 170, of Pittsburgh.

Forest Office Is Moved, Corvallis

PORTLAND, March 26.-The transfer of the Sluslaw national forest headquarters from Eugene to Corvallis was confirmed today by Regional Forester Lyle Watts.

1075 Receive Jobs

PORTLAND, Ore., March 26.-A total of 1075 Portlanders got jobs through the local office of the state employment service this month, Earl R. Lovell, manager, said today.

Franco-Soviet Relations Are Strained; Envoy Is Recalled

No Successor Likely; Break Is Advocated
Statements in Telegram Declared Reason He's not Acceptable
Premier Reynaud States Policy Is "Make War in Every Field"

By HENRY C. CASSIDY
PARIS, March 27.-Strained relations between Russia and France appeared early today to have reached the breaking point, with semi-official dispatches from Moscow stating that the Soviet ambassador to France, Jakob Surits, had been "freed from his functions as Soviet ambassador in France."

Nine Are Dead As Warehouse Floor Crashes

SANTA ROSA, Calif., March 26.-At least nine itinerants, two of them women, were crushed to death beneath tons of prunes today in the collapse of a warehouse floor under which they sought shelter from a driving rainstorm.

Rainfall Is Heavy And More Coming

About 2 1/2 Inches in Salem Since Monday Morning; Snow Falls, Hood
Approximately 2 1/2 inches of rain had fallen in Salem since 7:30 Monday morning until 11:30 last night, coming as part of the change in weather following the vernal equinox of last Wednesday.

NYA Gets Funds Despite Attacks

WASHINGTON, March 26.-Despite cries that Aubrey Williams, National Youth administrator, is a "pink," the house indicated by a top-heavy vote today that it would approve funds to continue the NYA for another year.

White House Aids Hull Policy Fight

WASHINGTON, March 26.-President Roosevelt's personal influence was thrown into the senate's close fight over the trade agreements act today in an effort to defeat the current move to give the senate a controlling voice in the tariff-making system.

Fern Ridge Work Will Start Soon

PORTLAND, March 26.-Construction of the Fern Ridge dam, first unit of the Willamette River Basin project, will begin within 10 days, Major C. R. Moore, Portland district army engineer, said today.

Tough General With Handful Of Men Nips Bolivian Revolt

LA PAZ, Bolivia, March 26.-A hard-fisted army general today took two machine guns and a handful of loyal officers and smashed a budding military revolt which government sources said was aimed at the assassination of provisional President Carlos Quintanilla and three other high officials and the capture of President-Elect Enrique Penaranda.