

CIRCULATION
Average for 1920, 5250.
Population of Salem, 1900, 4280;
1910, 14,054; 1920, 17,976.
Marion County, 1920, 47,137; Polk
County, 1920, 34,181.
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THE WEATHER
OREGON: Tonight and Wednesday rain or snow. Fresh easterly winds.
LOCAL: Rainfall 12; northerly winds; cloudy; max. 41, min. 33, river 2 feet and stationary.

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PRICE TWO CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

PROBLEM OF SUBS STICKER

Whole Question May Fold Over to Future World Conference Prediction

Washington, Dec. 27.—(By Associated Press.)—Suggestions that the whole submarine problem be to a future world conference are increasing in prominence. While the delegates to the Washington armament conference are for formal replies from the United States and Japan to the American compromise proposal for submarine limitation.

Following action by the French cabinet at its meeting today, the delegates here remained confident that their refusal to accept the new American figures will be upheld by their government. The Japanese, too, expected to insist that the American plan was unacceptable.

No Meeting Today.
There was no meeting today of the conference naval committee. Activities of the conference were confined to informal consultations among various groups of delegates. The divergent methods of damage measurement employed by several nations has led to some confusion in past discussion and naval experts indicated today that common unit of comparison should be suggested when the committee resumed its sessions tomorrow.

The general impression that the nation of land armament will again come before the conference for detailed consideration is strengthened by the departure of the Italian military staff by announcement that the Italian military experts also would be on the last day of the conference. The French land armament advisers also are gradually withdrawing.

Egyptians Killed In Riots

London, Dec. 27.—(By Associated Press.)—Eleven Egyptians were killed and fourteen others wounded in the recent nationalist disturbances in Cairo, says a formal office statement today. No high casualties occurred, it was stated.

Disturbances are continuing in Cairo, the advice added, and attempts have been made to wreck the train. One such attempt succeeded on the Helwan railway and was derailed Christmas day.

Barbers Over for Georgia Barbers

Moultrie, Ga., Dec. 27.—Barbers are going to carry on as best they can under the old scale of prices.

Barbers are going like hot irons at two bits, shaves fifteen cents and shaves five cents. It started when A. D. Corn, who operates a shop, announced he would try a "thirty-day sale on shaves" to the extent that all barbers joined. Gross receipts of all shops, it is said, have increased.

Germans Claim They Can Make Synthetic Gold

New York, Dec. 27.—(By Associated Press.)—Wall Street was disturbed today over persistent reports that a German scientist had succeeded in making synthetic gold. Certain chemists also were reported to have succeeded in making synthetic gold to wait for reparations payments, they will probably need longer moratorium than they have sought," said Dr. Horace G. Coover, head of the chemistry department of Cooper Union.

"Of course," Dr. Byers added "it would be a brave, or an ignorant chemist who would pronounce the synthesis of gold impossible. There is, however, no credible evidence that chemists are today any nearer the realization of the dream of synthetic gold than they were in the days when the German kings were crowned by the Knights of the Black Order."

Sweethearts Die In Suicide Pact; Too Poor to Wed

Passaic, N. J., Dec. 27.—Because they were too poor to marry, Thomas Brans, 18, and his sweetheart, Matilda, 17, took their lives by poison early today. The boy told of the shattered romance in the general hospital where he died.

He was a mill clerk and she a stenographer. Because of their youth and his limited earnings they felt unable to assume the responsibilities of married life. Their despondency grew and they resolved to die together, the boy said.

It was shortly after midnight that the girl told her mother they had taken poison. Both died within two hours.

Big Injun Glad; Has Bride Now

Dressed in all the royal robes of his tribes, heads of two real American families clasped hands in wedlock today when Chief Red Feather took as his bride, Princess Andetaah whom he had known since childhood and met for the first time in many moons here yesterday.

The gloom which hung over the head of the Cherokee tribe on his finding out that he could not be married yesterday because his wife had not yet become a 24-hour resident of this county was completely dispelled when donning his royal regalia and as a typically modern Indian with strings of highly polished bear claws, beaded moccasins, and weathered headbands, the chief stood before Rev. Blaine Kirkpatrick in the parlors of the Bligh hotel today and swore that he would love and cherish his princess, who too was dressed in costume.

The chief signs his name as Edward DeMoss, but is no less an Indian, while his bride with a name that means "rose" was formerly Mrs. N. W. Patch of Davenport, Iowa.

As a singer Chief Red Feather has appeared in the leading vaudeville houses of the country and was the top liner at the opening of the Grand theater in Sacramento, California, a few weeks ago. The couple will leave for Portland tomorrow to take the boat for San Francisco to complete the theatrical tour arranged by the chief, who expects to be in this city again sometime in the near future.

Imported Butter Forces Price On Best Grade Down

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—Two shipments of butter, which arrived today from Australia and New Zealand on the steamers Tahiti and Ventura, 1,086,000 pounds, hammered the already low price of extra choice butter down to 4 1/2 cents per pound on the San Francisco dairy produce exchange. One week ago butter was quoted at 4 7/8 cents.

Loan Advances Approved

Washington, Dec. 27.—Approval of 142 advances to banks for agricultural and livestock loans was announced today by the war finance corporation. The advances aggregated \$5,089,000 and included Idaho \$167,000; Montana \$225,000 and Wyoming \$105,000.

Family Declares Despondency To Blame for Death

Engene, Or., Dec. 27.—Despondency brought on by ill health and overwork caused Floyd Booth, son of R. A. Booth, chairman of the state highway commission to commit suicide by shooting himself through the mouth Sunday evening, members of his family believe.

Mr. Booth's body was found in the basement of his home by his brother Roy after a search of two hours. A revolver lay beside the body.

Recently Mr. Booth had taken charge of organizing a local drug company and had worked long hours, it is said. His health has been poor of late and Saturday and Sunday he appeared to be very nervous, members of his family report.

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BLAME FOR SHOW FIRE IS PLACED

Building Inspector and Theater Operators Held Responsible for Deaths

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 27.—City building inspector Joseph E. Austin, Lawrence E. Carroll, manager of the Rialto theatre, and Alfred S. Black, president of the Connecticut Theaters corporation, which owned the theatre, are held criminally responsible for the deaths of nine persons in the Rialto theatre fire of November 27, in a finding by Coroner Ell Mix today.

The coroner says that the direct cause of the fire was the burning of incense to give "atmosphere" to a motion picture, flimsy stage draperies being ignited from the incense.

The coroner finds that violations of the law in the theatre included the absence of the following safeguards:

An asbestos curtain, water curtain, an automatic sprinkler, casks of water on the stage, hose connections, fire proof scenery and wood work.

The coroner says that had Building Inspector Austin done his duty in applying the building code the fire could not have occurred.

Old Code Still Rules, Opinion of Van Winkle

Pending an opinion from Attorney General Van Winkle as to the effective date of the new irrigation district code as amended by the special legislative session last week State Engineer Cupper is advising all districts to prepare to hold their annual elections on January 10, as provided under the old statutes.

This advice, Cupper explains, is based upon his interpretation of the constitutional provision that an act not carrying the emergency clause, does not become effective until ninety days after the close of the legislative session. In this event, Cupper points out, the new code will not become effective until more than two months after the date of elections provided for in the old code.

The new code provides for the holding of elections on the second Tuesday in October. The code was passed by the last regular session but was vetoed by the governor and was passed by the special session over the governor's veto.

Objection to the old date was based upon the fact that the January date brought the annual election at a time of the year when weather conditions in that section of the state most particularly affected by the code, are not conducive to extensive participation in the election.

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BEAN NOT SIGNING FAIR BILL

Speaker of House Says Measure Must First Get Approval of President of Senate

Louis E. Bean, speaker of the house of representatives of the Oregon legislature, who is here today cleaning up the business of the special session which adjourned Saturday night, announced in effect that he would not sign the gasoline tax bill for the support of a world's fair in Portland in 1925, which was before the legislature last week and declared passed by friends of the fair, and defeated by its opponents.

Mr. Bean said today that he would not sign the bill until it had been signed by Roy Ritner, president of the senate, and Mr. Ritner has publicly announced that he will not sign the bill.

Mr. Ritner, who was expected to return to Salem today, sent word that he was going to his home in Pendleton from Portland. All bills and resolutions passed by the senate requiring his signature will be sent to him in Pendleton.

Ballot Count Favors Death to Dairymen's Union

Portland, Or., Dec. 27.—The Oregon Dairymen's league was in session here today counting ballots to determine whether the proposal of the directors that the organization be liquidated should be accepted. This is the second referendum in which the members have been called upon to vote, the first having failed to develop a vote considered representative of the membership. In case the members decide to liquidate, the plans of the organization will be turned over to organizations to be formed in the various districts of the state. Ballots had been mailed to 1200 members and several hundred were here to cast their votes. Up to noon 900 votes had been counted and 700 of these were for liquidation.

Co-eds Ask When Girl Is Old Enough To Smoke "Fags"

New York, Dec. 27.—When is a girl old enough to smoke? This question has cropped up at Columbia university and today is puzzling hundreds of co-eds who want to be told why Barnard college rules say nothing about use of the soothing weed in graduate dormitories and prohibit it in those of the undergraduates. Two under graduates recently were suspended when caught smoking.

Famous Paintings Are Sacrificed for Russians for Gold

Moscow, Dec. 27.—The economic policy permitting free trade within Russia has brought from their hiding places a large number of paintings, some attributed to famous artists. Among these are works by William Hogarth, Jean Baptiste Greuze, Christian Dietrich, Rosa Di Tivoli and others, the Italian and Dutch predominating.

Paintings by well known Russian artists in some cases sell for the price of a pair of shoes.

Bodies of Two Men Found In Chicago Suburb; Both Shot

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Bodies of two unidentified men were found in woods in University City, a suburb, today. Both were shot through the head and apparently had been dead several days. They appeared about 21 years old. A draft card in one of the men's pockets bore the name of Everett E. Summers, with a Toledo, Ohio, address.

Rear Admiral Davis Is Called

Washington, Dec. 27.—Rear Admiral Charles Henry Davis, retired, brother-in-law of Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, died at his home here today. He was a native of Boston and 76 years of age.

L. Morris Iddings Dead

Rome, Dec. 27.—(By Associated Press.)—Leads Morris Iddings, 71, of Warren, Ohio, long time secretary of the American embassy in Rome died suddenly here last evening.

Farmers Deny Charges of Collusion To Hold Up Rate Relief Drive

Former G. A. R. Commander Dead

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 27.—William A. Ketcham, former commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, died at his home here today. He was 75 years old. Death was caused by acute indigestion.

Mr. Ketcham was elected commander in chief September 24, 1920. He was succeeded by Lewis Pilcher of New York, who was elected at the grand encampment held here last September.

Fair Backers Preparing To Ask Court Aid

Portland, Or., Dec. 27.—Ruling by the state supreme court on the constitutionality of the majority of 15 to 14 by which the state senate Saturday passed the resolution providing a referendum on the 1925 Portland fair commission and a tax on gasoline to help finance the project was expected today to be sought by the fair promoters in view of the refusal of President Ritner of the senate to sign the measures.

Ritner based his refusal upon an opinion of Attorney General Van Winkle, who held that sixteen is the constitutional majority of the senate and the fact that the senate had at the special session only 29 members acting, owing to the recent death of Senator Hume, did not make 15 a constitutional majority.

Just what form the legal action is to be taken to test the question was under consideration today by lawyers interested in the success of the movement for a tax to aid in the financing. Mandamus proceeding against Ritner had been suggested as a possible course. This must be instituted by Saturday, the time limit prescribed by law for the measures to reach the governor's office.

Christian Science Directors Upheld In Court Decision

Boston, Dec. 27.—The supreme court today denied the motion of the trustees of the Christian Science Publishing Society for an injunction to restrain the directors of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, from removing the trustees. The court recently held that the directors had power to remove trustees, but the trustees in their petition for an injunction, asked the court to prevent the directors from taking removal action pending determination of certain issues.

Woodburn Woman Charges Husband With Non Support

W. H. Smith, a Woodburn chiropractor, was arraigned before Judge G. E. Unruh in the justice court this afternoon on a charge of non-support which had been filed by his wife, Mr. Smith was granted time in which to enter a plea.

Assault Charged to Butteville Man

Constable Walter DeLong of Salem left today for Butteville, Or., where he will serve on Emmet Donahue a warrant charging him with assault and battery.

The charge grew out of a fight said to have been staged between Donahue and Thomas Bump, another resident of Butteville. The complaint was signed by Bump. Donahue probably will be arraigned in the justice court here next Friday.

Exports Decline During November

Washington, Dec. 27.—American exports to Europe declined \$43,000,000 in November as compared with the previous month, according to an official summary of foreign trade issued today by the department of commerce. Imports from Europe increased in the same period about \$3,500,000.

Spelling Vague But Not Weaning

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Max Meyerowitz is not the best speller in the world, but she certainly can put an idea across.

Witness the following note she left to friend husband:

"Max I decided at last to leave you and go to Morris he love me and I love him we are going to leave—Poly."

"Poly's" little billet doux was the basis of the decision of Judge Lynch to grant a divorce to Max.

HOWARD LOSES HIS APPEAL

Supreme Court Denies Malheur Boy Convicted of Murder a New Trial

George Howard, Malheur county boy, convicted of first degree murder and sentenced to hang by Judge Dalton Biggs of the Malheur county circuit court for killing George R. Seely on September 14, 1920, has lost his appeal to the supreme court.

In an opinion written by Justice McBride and handed down by the court this morning the decree of Judge Biggs is affirmed.

Howard was sentenced to hang at the state prison here on February 25, 1921, but an appeal to the supreme court automatically stayed his execution pending decision on the appeal.

Howard's appeal was based on lack of sufficient evidence to justify a verdict of murder in the first degree, objections to the ruling of the court in admitting certain evidence and particularly an alleged written confession of the defendant and objections to the action of the court in refusing instructions requested by the defense and in giving certain instructions excepted to by the defense upon the trial.

Trial Found Fair.
In concluding his opinion affirming the decree of the lower court, Justice McBride declares that "we feel fully assured that in the present instance the trial was

Eleven Men To Face Trial For Ardmore Riots

Ardmore, Okla., Dec. 27.—(By Associated Press.)—Two defendants were dismissed and eleven others were bound over today to the next term of criminal district court under bonds of \$10,000 for trial on charges of murder in connection with the killing of three men at Wilson the night of December 15.

Alleged Slayer Takes Own Life

Prescott, Ariz., Dec. 27.—Earl Winton, wanted in Los Angeles in connection with the murder of a policeman there, shot and killed himself this afternoon when he surrounded by a posse in a section foreman's house nine miles west of Ashfork, Ariz., according to word received here.

Mexican Cabinet Member Resigns

Mexico City, Dec. 27.—(By Associated Press.)—Rafael Zubaran, secretary of industry, commerce and labor has resigned. President Obregon has taken no action yet on the resignation.

Senator Zubaran's action follows a recent attack upon his honesty in the chamber of deputies.

Death Toll Now Seven for Storm

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—The seventh death traceable to the gale which ushered in Christmas in the San Francisco bay region occurred shortly before midnight last night when Frank Rocco, 55, a bank employe, apparently blinded by wind and rain was struck and killed by a cable car. The gripman was arrested.

Receiver Asked For Ingersoll Company

New York, Dec. 27.—An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in federal court today against Robert H. Ingersoll & Brother, manufacturers of the Ingersoll watches, of this city. Liabilities were set forth as \$2,000,000 and assets, exclusive of good will, as \$2,000,000.

Harbor Project Favored

Washington, Dec. 27.—Expenditures of \$1,375,450 for the improvement of Oakland harbor, San Francisco, has been recommended to congress by army engineers.