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**THE WEATHER**  
OREGON: Tonight and Wednesday occasional rain; moderate to fresh southwesterly winds.  
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FORTY-FOURTH YEAR NO. 259. SALEM, OREGON, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1922 PRICE TWO CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

# PHONE CUT IS ENJOINED

## Three Jackson County Men Are Victims of Assaults at Night by Mobs Wearing Regalia of Kluxers

By Harry N. Crain

The membership and incidental purposes fulfilled by the campaign of religious propaganda, the Klan in Medford cast about for a program of action which would fulfill the desire of its radical membership to be a moving factor in the community, and to this end the kluxers adopted a schedule of action which has since been the principal factor in discrediting the invisible empire in the public eye in Oregon. They adopted a policy of seeking to rectify the personal grievances of individual kluxers by direct action, even to the extent of violating the law and setting up mob rule in the place of constitutional justice.

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## STATE STREET OPEN TODAY

T. D. Billingsley, manager of the Salem Street Railway company, announced today that State street barricades will be taken down this afternoon. While the street car company was paving between its tracks, traffic on the street has been obstructed for several days and street cars running out on State have been unable to go beyond High street while traveling west.

## CITY SPENDS NEAR MILLION FOR BUILDING

First Ten Months of 1922 Show Great Gain Over Last Year; 9 Dwellings Are Erected.

During the first ten months of this year Salem spent nearly a million dollars—\$927,875—in building operations.

During 1921—thought by city officials to have been a good year—only \$483,420 was spent. Consider the month of October which closes today. This year during the 31 days Salem spent \$107,350 for building. During the same period last year \$39,910 was spent—less than one-third as much.

These figures are highly indicative of Salem's forward strides," city officials declared this morning.

Almost twice as many new dwellings have been built during the first ten months of this year as were erected during the same period last year. Two hundred and nineteen have gone up during 1922 while only 123 were built in 1921. This year they represent an outlay of \$635,150. Last year only \$316,000 was spent for new houses.

The larger structures erected this year include the Capital Ice & Storage company's plant, which cost \$15,000; the Kings Food Products addition at \$25,000; Schindler Brothers' milk depot at \$10,000; the Starr cannery at \$75,000; the Episcopal church at \$13,000; the Old People's home at \$50,000; the Deaconess hospital addition at \$15,000; the new Bligh building, costing \$20,000, and the Webb & Clough building at \$20,000.

During the present month, which is fairly late for building operations, permits to erect 20 new dwellings the cost of which will approximate \$61,000 were issued by Mark Poulsen, deputy city recorder. The most expensive will cost \$6500 and the cheapest \$1000.

## Kaiser's Bride-to-be Marrying For Love Sure of Happiness

London, Oct. 31.—Princess Hermine of Reuss thinks her fiancé, the former German kaiser, is one of the most generous, kind-hearted men that ever lived and that she is sure she is going to be the happiest woman in the world after their marriage next Sunday. That, at least, is what she told the correspondent of the Daily Express today.



THE INCONSISTENT WALTER

## MORAL LEAGUE FAVORS POLICE AMENDMENT

The Marlon County Moral Improvement league, composed of the several churches of Salem and vicinity and kindred associations such as Y. M. C. A., W. C. T. U., Y. W. C. A., Salvation Army and Brotherhood met Monday evening at the First Presbyterian church in this city for the purpose of considering men and measures to be voted on November 7 next, and to determine the attitude of the league with reference to the issues in the forthcoming election.

The league went on record as favoring the amendment proposed to the city charter of Salem to make the office of city marshal appointive rather than elective, on the ground that if that official should be held directly responsive to the mayor and council of the city of Salem instead of to the electorate at large more efficient law enforcement could be secured.

## OREGON PAVED ROADS A SUCCESS

"From the standpoint of economy alone we think that the paving of Oregon's highways is a success," Ray Kline, secretary of the highway department said this noon at the luncheon of the Kiwanis club. "It is a fair estimate that a car traveling over paved roads can operate at about five cents a mile less than over unpaved roads."

## TO PROSECUTE BONUS FRAUDS

Robert F. McGuire and Wilbur Henderson, Portland attorneys, were designated today by Attorney General Van Winkle as special assistants to conduct the grand jury probe into alleged frauds in connection with bonus appraisals in Deschutes county. The appointments were made upon the recommendation of the state bonus commission which has requested the attorney general to take charge of the grand jury investigations and which will defray the expenses of the attorney general's office in conducting the probe which involves alleged padding of real estate values by H. J. Overturf and O. B. Hardy, former members of the bonus board of appraisers for Deschutes county.

## THREE ARE DEAD FOUR INJURED IN SUNSET WRECK

New Orleans, La., Oct. 31.—Three dead, four seriously injured and two slightly hurt, was the toll taken in a rear end railroad wreck early today, when the fast Sunset Express, New Orleans-San Francisco Southern Pacific passenger train No. 109 tore into the Worthen carnival show, 35-car train, en route from New Orleans to New Iberia, La.

## CIVIL WAR NEAR IN KANSAS DUE TO KLAN Asserts Governor

Great Bend, Kan., Oct. 31.—One pistol shot could produce a state of civil war in Kansas similar to that in Ireland, according to Governor Henry J. Allen, who continued his attacks on the Ku Klux Klan here yesterday. His speech was a part of a series of political addresses he is making in a pre-election tour of the state, but the latter portion of it was devoted to a scathing denunciation of religious bigotry and community hatred.

## SAYS VICTIM STOLE LOVE OF HUSBAND

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 31.—What she will tell the jury if she takes the stand in her own defense during her trial for the slaying of Mrs. Alberta Tremaine Meadows was outlined in an interview here by Mrs. Clara Phillips, alleged "hammer murderess."

## FARMERS FRIEND PROVED NO FRIEND OF LOCAL FLAX FARMERS

Is Walter M. Pierce a friend of the farmer? Investigators declare that Pierce's record in the legislature indicates that he has but little use for the flax farmer. The records show this: In 1917 there were some deficiency claims at the state flax plant. To cover them, so the flax farmer might be paid, house bill 54 was introduced in the 1917 session providing for the payment of \$8214.33 "for sundry claims for flax straw furnished the state during the year 1916, with interest."

## APPEAL TO U. S. COURT FOR RELIEF

Portland, Or., Oct. 31.—Petition for an injunction restraining the state public service commission from putting into effect an order for reduced telephone rates issued yesterday, was filed in the federal district court here today by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company.

## CONSULATE AT NEWCASTLE TO REOPEN SOON

London, Oct. 31.—(By Associated Press)—An amicable settlement in the question of the American consulate at Newcastle, England, which was closed by order of the American government last August, is in "a fair way of being reached," it was intimated in British official quarters today. Although no official statement is forthcoming, the impression was given that the consulate would soon be reopened.

## MINCE PIES BRING DRY LAW ATTACK

Chicago, Oct. 31.—In a new attack on the Volstead act by the old Victory Distillery, Judge George T. Page, in federal district court, has been asked to restore mince pies to their pre-prohibition standing when brandy sauce was a legitimate ingredient.

## LENINE PLANNING WORLD REVOLT

Petrograd, Oct. 31.—(By Associated Press)—The important topic of unifying the program of the communistic parties throughout the world will come before the third internationale for the first time when that organization opens its convention here November 4.

## ANDY GUMP TO TALK HERE

Andrew Gump, independent candidate for congress, will deliver an address in the veterans' room at the Salem armory at 9 o'clock tomorrow night, it was announced this afternoon. Mr. Gump, it was said, will discuss the tax problem.

## Hammer Murderess Says Mrs. Meadows Attempted to Destroy Husband's Confidence

Mrs. Meadows not only stole the love of Armour L. Phillips, but attempted to destroy his confidence in his wife by repeating neighborhood gossip, Mrs. Phillips claimed.

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