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THE WEATHER
OREGON: Tonight and Tuesday fair;
colder tonight east portion, with cold
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min. 31; part cloudy; river 6.4 feet.

FORTY-FOURTH YEAR NO. 294 SALEM, OREGON, MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1922 PRICE TWO CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

CONFERENCE OF PREMIERS BREAKS DOWN

SANTA CLAUS TO VISIT EVERY SALEM HOME

BURGLAR IS SUBDUED BY SALEM MAN

Local Clothier Grapples
With Thief He Finds In
Store While Wife Calls
Police.

While several men stood outside his store and declined to offer assistance, O. J. Scheel, Salem clothier, yesterday afternoon grappled with a burglar whom he found in his shop and, single-handed, detained the man while Mrs. Scheel summoned the police.

The burglar, whom the police believe to be Fred Barstow, was discovered by Mr. Scheel when he and Mrs. Scheel entered the store about 5:30 o'clock. When he saw the man lying behind a showcase, Mr. Scheel rushed to the street and requested persons standing nearby to assist him, but no aid was forthcoming. In the meantime the burglar attempted to make his escape through a rear door but was overtaken and overpowered by Mr. Scheel.

Talks to Prisoners.
The burglar, who professed to be deaf and dumb, refused to give his name to the police. Officers said he registered at a Portland hotel December 8 as Harry Bell of Portland. On December 9, they said, he registered at a local rooming house, but his signature was illegible.

LOWE CONVICTED MUST SERVE LIFE

Greeley, Colo., Dec. 11.—Bert Lowe, convicted last Saturday night of the murder of his sister-in-law, Edna Fern Skinner of LeRoy, Ill., today was in jail awaiting sentence of life imprisonment in the state prison.

BOOZE OFFENDERS MAY BE PUNISHED TWICE

Washington, Dec. 11.—Conviction in a state court for violating a state prohibition law is not a bar to subsequent prosecutions in the United States courts for the same offense under the Volstead enforcement act, the supreme court held today in a case brought by the United States against Vico Lanza, in the state of Washington, Dick Barrio and others.

WANTS FREIGHT RATE ON FARM PRODUCTS CUT

Washington, Dec. 11.—A one-third reduction in freight rates on agricultural products was proposed in a bill today by Senator Gooding, republican, Idaho.

Salem Elks, Assisted By Capital Journal, To Play Chris Kringle To Kiddies

What is Needed
Food
Clothes
Money
Candy and nuts
Toys
Use of automobiles, Sunday afternoon and evening before Christmas and any part of an afternoon prior to that time.

**BIG SUM YET
TO BE RAISED**

Campaigners For Willamette Endowment Must Secure \$32,858 Daily For Nine Days.

"The question of when the Willamette forward movement drive should begin was not left to the board of trustees but was forced upon us," Dr. B. L. Steeves explained today at the luncheon of the canvassing teams. "For the past three years the Rockefeller Foundation has been aiding the college and this is the last year. If we lose in the present campaign we lose our standing and if we lose our standing we lose our student body. To fail means to fall backward. We must win."

To date a total of \$954,280 has been reported to the office. Of this amount \$12,745 was raised since Saturday noon in Salem. Only nine more days remain in which to successfully complete the drive. To raise the full amount it means that an average of about \$32,858 must be raised every day. Salem is now past the half way mark of \$250,000 and reports coming from Portland state that the tide of sentiment is being manifest more for Willamette than ever. The managers of the campaign while stating that a big battle is ahead, think that the people will rally to the cause and that the drive will succeed.

SHIPPING BILL ATTACK IS ON

Washington, Dec. 11.—The democratic attack on the administration shipping bill was started today while republican leaders were attempting to get the measure before the senate.

TAFT READY TO GIVE TESTIMONY IF CALLED

Washington, Dec. 11.—Chief Justice Taft informed Chairman Volstead of the house judiciary committee today that he would appear before it at the hearing of the Keller impeachment charges against Attorney General Daugherty if the committee should see fit to call him.

Determined that the big fellow with the white beard, the rosy cheeks and the sparkling eyes—Mr. S. Claus—shall not inadvertently overlook any little boys or girls in Salem families that have no money for Christmas gifts, the welfare committee of the local Elks lodge, working in conjunction with the Capital Journal, today began a movement to secure Christmas supplies for the needy poor.

No one who is willing to assist is barred from the movement. Co-operation must be had if all Salem is to have the type of Christmas it should have. Johnny, whose shoes are worn thin; Mary, who has already written letters suggesting that she needs a cheap doll; seven-year-old Ed who says his stockings are pretty holed but that they'll still hold marbles—these and other cases must be taken care of.

Public Asked to Help
The Salem Elks' welfare committee, supplementing the work of the Salvation army, is going to take care of it—with the help of all Salem. Money, clothes, food, candy, nuts, and toys are needed—plenty of each—and with these the big brother workers hope to keep from every Salem home the despair, the disappointment that would come to little folk were they not remembered.

If at all possible gift packages should be wrapped well and left at the Elks lodge. Packages should be marked, on the outside, so that the committee will know what they contain. In cases where delivery cannot be made, the Elks will call for the parcels.

Autos Also Needed
Automobiles will be used, and those persons who can offer them to the committee should communicate with Fred Erixon, chairman. The machines will be chiefly needed on the Sunday afternoon and evening before Christmas, but they will also be used during the afternoons from now until December 25. Persons who can spare their automobiles for an hour or so of an afternoon will render a service by placing them at the disposal of the committee.

Salem merchants are to be asked to give candy and nuts which will go into the parcels, and others who wish to help may do so. A careful survey is to be made of the entire town and only the deserving will be considered. Those in charge are convinced that this Christmas is to be a real one for everybody.

Will you help?
Send In Names Now
It is absolutely essential that names of families whose boys and girls might be forgotten, be learned early and such information should be given immediately to The Capital Journal. All communications will be treated in the strictest confidence and no names will be made known to persons other than those officially connected with the movement. Letters should be addressed to The Christmas Relief, in care of The Capital Journal and should briefly set forth names, addresses and conditions at the homes in question.

Members of the Elks committee in charge of the "big brother" work are Fred Erixon, chairman; F. G. Delano and Albert Downing. Members of the committee have announced that boys and girls at the state schools will be remembered this year.

GRAYS HARBOR TOWN HAS \$15,000 BLAZE

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 11.—The town of Elma in Grays Harbor county suffered its second heavy fire of this year early this morning when two buildings in the business section were destroyed and nearby stores considerably damaged. The fire broke out in the partition between the Liberty cafe and the Men's resort, both of which were wiped out. The total loss to the business district was \$15,000. A heavier loss was prevented by a new fire fighting apparatus, just put in use. Earlier in the night the home of Russell Walker was burned with a loss of \$3000.

ASTORIA NOW NEEDS MONEY TO REBUILD

Call For \$75,000 In Cash
To Enable Merchants
To Reopen In Temporary
Quarters Issued.

Astoria, Or., Dec. 11.—Astoria's provisional government, in charge of a committee of ten under the leadership of Lieutenant Colonel W. S. Gilbert, was functioning today and with the aid of the American Red Cross, represented here by E. G. Kilpatrick and a hundred bluejackets from the coast guard cutters Snohomish and Algonquin and the destroyer Yarrowburgh and a volunteer organization of ex-service men, was taking care of relief and maintaining order.

Patrol Lines Strict
Rigid regulations have been established for the protection of the devastated area, where fortunes lie beneath the debris. Sailors patrol the district, and no person under any excuse is permitted to enter after 3 p. m. The searchlight of the destroyer played upon the ruins last night. Ex-service men have undertaken to patrol the residence district at night.

While immediate needs are provided for, the committee in charge of relief reiterated today that hundreds of persons and proprietors of small business establishments, whose means of livelihood were wiped out, face a period of difficulty until normal conditions are re-established here.

\$75,000 Needed.
The executive committee has announced that approximately \$75,000 is needed for immediate purposes. Shipments of further supplies will be requisitioned by the Red Cross as needed to prevent oversupply and waste.

Survey of the temporary business quarter was begun today with a view to immediate construction.

COUNTY PAVING REPORT IS MADE

During the past year, Marion county has paved 24.05 miles of road, according to the annual report of W. J. Culver, county road master.

The Stayton plant paved 3.7 miles, the Scollard plant 5.2 miles, the Mt. Angel plant 6.85 miles and the Salem plant 9.30 miles. In estimating the cost of paving for the county, the costs as filed by Mr. Culver include paving material, labor, trucks, rollers and crushed rocks. In all instances before paving began, the road had been graded, and this grading expense is not included in the 1922 annual report.

For the 5.3 miles paved by the Salem plant, the cost to the county was \$65,624.72. The cost of the Mt. Angel plant for its 6.85 miles, was \$54,325.82. The 5.2 miles paved by the Scollard plant cost \$44,965.51 and the 3.7 miles of the Stayton plant, \$21,492.41. At the close of the three-year program of road building, the county had paved 64 miles of market roads. This work has been done on 21 out of the 24 officially designated market roads.

SEATTLE HAS COLDEST DAY; STREETS IGY

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 11.—The thermometer reached the lowest point of the winter here at 8 o'clock this morning when it touched 25 degrees above zero, according to weather bureau officials. Continuation of the cold spell was forecast.

Armour Proposes Huge Packing Merger



Here is the latest photograph of J. Ogden Armour, of Chicago, who recently held a lengthy conference with President Harding in Washington. Mr. Armour proposed a huge merger of the packing industry, involving half a billion dollars. He likewise asked Attorney-General Daugherty as to the legality of its deeply interested.

UNRUH HAS SPEED CURE

**Salem Violators May Be
Made to Drive "Reform
Auto" Telling They Are
Learning Road Rules.**

"This is a traffic law violator, being taught the rules of the road." These words, printed in large letters on big signs placed on either side of an automobile, will be seen in Salem soon. Plotting the car will be a man who has been arrested either for reckless driving or for driving at an excessive rate of speed. Passers by who see him will know he has had the opportunity to choose between driving the "reform car" and of going to jail.

Want to Drive It?
The plan, designed to cure motorists of reckless driving, was conceived by Judge G. E. Unruh, of the Salem justice court, and will be put into operation as soon as a case warrants such action, he announced this afternoon. Nobody is to be denied the remedy, provided his violation has been sufficiently flagrant. Bankers and bakers and candlestick makers may get a taste of it.

Kozer Approves Plan
The traffic law violator, Judge Unruh said, will be made to drive the car about Salem's business district for no less than 30 minutes and no more than two hours. If he doesn't care to comply he can go to jail.

The plan, it was said, has been approved by both Secretary of State Sam Kozer and T. A. Rafsfety, chief of the state traffic division. The law violator will be accompanied by a state, county or city traffic officer.

SUSPEND SEASIDE SCHOOL

The Seaside high school was suspended from membership in the state high school athletic association by the board of control of the association in session here Saturday. The action of the board was based upon a complaint filed by the Knappa high school in which Seaside was charged with the employment of an ineligible coach in the Knappa-Seaside game at Seaside November 11. In a written statement presented to the board the Seaside school admitted that Dr. Frank Van Doren had been used as a coach for at least a part of the Armistice day game.

BUTCHER PAYS FINE OF \$10

Charged with maintaining a slaughter house pen in an unsanitary condition, H. C. McDowell, Salem butcher, this morning pleaded guilty before Judge G. E. Unruh in the Salem justice court. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10.

British Prepare to Build Battleships at Once, Bonar Law Says

London, Dec. 11.—(By Associated Press)—Prime Minister Bonar Law announced in the house of commons today that the government has decided to begin the construction of new battleships allowed under the Washington naval treaty.

AUTOS CRASH, ONE MAY DIE

Skull, Rib And Shoulder
Of Aged Salem Woman
Fractured in Collision
Here Yesterday.

Automobiles crashed again in Salem yesterday and a life may be the toll.

Physicians were unable to say today whether Mrs. Ferdinand Mickenham, 1265 South Twelfth St., 65 years of age, who suffered serious injuries, will recover. She sustained a fractured skull, a fractured rib and a fractured shoulder blade. Today her condition was very grave.

According to the police report the car in which Mrs. Mickenham was riding was driven by W. M. Mickenham. It was moving south on Capitol. Another car, said by the police to have been driven by H. A. Stevens of Holbrook, Or., was headed east on Center street. There was a crash.

The automobiles were badly damaged.

NEGRO SUSPECT KILLED BY MOB

Streetman, Texas, Dec. 11.—George Gay, 25, negro arrested today in connection with an alleged attack on a young woman here, was shot and killed by a mob this afternoon.

Gay was captured by a posse, but was not positively identified by the girl, according to reports here.

The negro, who said his name was George Gay, was taken to the girl's home. A mob of about 1500 gathered at Streetman. The man was locked in a small house under heavy guard pending arrival of bloodhounds from the state penitentiary at Huntsville, which will be put on the negro's trail.

The girl's condition is not serious, the negro having been frightened away after throwing a sack over her head and stuffing her mouth full of cotton.

SALEM TO HAVE WAITER SCHOOL

For those who wish to qualify as first class waiters, as well as waitresses, a school of instruction will be opened in Salem next Friday at the Marion hotel.

Under the provisions of the Smith-Hughes act for vocational training, trained instructors will be on hand at the Marion to show just what efficient table waiting means and how it is done.

It is understood there will be 25 or more in Salem who will take advantage of the opportunity to learn the correct manner of setting tables including the proper lay-out for various knives and forks and spoons, but also as to the right manner of serving courses.

FISHING SCHOONER SAFE

Prince Rupert, B. C., Dec. 11.—The fishing schooner Valour reported lost in the recent heavy weather in Hecate strait, found shelter in a remote anchorage and will return here late today or tomorrow with 10,000 pounds of halibut, according to word brought here by the schooner Johanna, which spoke to the Valour a few days ago.

BRITISH AND FRENCH ARE NEAR BREAK

Premiers' Conference To
Adjourn While Peace
Makers Attempt to
Mend Differences.

London, Dec. 11.—(By Associated Press.)—The conference of allied premiers, called to arrange the basis for an allied financial and reparations conference in Brussels, has broken down. It was announced at 6 o'clock this afternoon that the premiers had taken adjournment until January 2.

After the conference adjourned, Premier Poincare said: "It is finished." The conference January 2 will be held in Paris, it was announced tonight.

London, Dec. 11.—(By Associated Press.)—Adjournment of the premiers conference tonight for eight days in order to avert an open rupture between England and France over the question of German reparations has been virtually decided upon, it was learned today.

The British cabinet rejected the measure of force for the Ruhr district upon which Premier Poincare insisted.

Prime Minister Bonar Law informed Premier Poincare that British public opinion was overwhelmingly opposed to any military measures against Germany.

Poincare had made a demand for the occupation of the Ruhr as a guarantee for a German moratorium.

To Resume Sessions.
The conference probably will resume its session in eight days in London or Paris. Meanwhile it is hoped that some guarantees may be found which will satisfy the French and at the same time make military action unnecessary.

It was stated in French circles that the imminent adjournment was merely a maneuver to prevent an open break among the allies, particularly between France and England and that there was little likelihood of finding a common basis of agreement between England and France.

It was further pointed out that in spite of Premier Poincare's desire to cooperate with the new British government, he has been forced largely by the political situation at home to demand the Ruhr as the price of any concessions to Germany.

The meeting of the premiers scheduled for this noon was postponed until 4 o'clock. It was expected that in the meantime private interviews would take place among the premiers in an eleventh hour effort to save the conversations from what seemed this morning to be inevitable postponement.

HUNT FOR KENTUCKY MOONSHINERS HALTED

Mount Sterling, Ky., Dec. 11.—Reputed with the death of one member of their posse who were endeavoring to capture slayers of H. E. Duff, killed by moonshiners Saturday, federal and sheriff's forces abandoned the attack today and counseled with state authorities as to further steps. David Treadway, the member of the posse who was killed, was shot from ambush.

Bob and Charles Ballard, brothers and leaders of the Ballard gang, are sought.

SENATOR URGES AID FOR FARMERS OF NORTHWEST

Washington, Dec. 11.—Senator-elect Frazier, republican of North Dakota, urged the senate agricultural committee today to press legislation which "will allow the farmers of the northwest to put their grain and livestock on the market and get at least the cost of production out of the sale of their products."

Picturing conditions on the farms in the northwest, Mr. Frazier told the committee "many of our farmers are going broke right now because of lack of care, combined with low prices."