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SALEM, OREGON, FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1924

PRICE THREE CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS
STANDS FIVE CENTS

TRAIN BANDITS GET \$250,000

CONVENTION CLOSES WITH REAL CLIMAX

Enthusiasm Runs High In
Closing Hours as Dawes
Is Selected As Running
Mate of Coolidge.

Marion, Ohio, June 13.—(By Associated Press.)—Briefly and without oratorical flourish, Brigadier General Dawes, in his first public address since he was nominated by the republicans as vice-presidential candidate, told 6000 of his friends and neighbors today that "I have gratefully accepted this nomination, resolved that whatever it entails, I will do my best."

Cleveland, Ohio, June 13.—(By Associated Press.)—The campaign to elect President Coolidge to succeed himself and Charles G. Dawes of Illinois to be vice-president got formally under way today with organization of the republican national committee.

The republican national convention, which started with almost depressing calm, worked up steadily through the three days of its sessions into a roaring, precedent-setting climax last night and ended amid scenes that cooled the hearts of the old timers.

Lewden Declines.
Frank O. Lewden of Illinois had been nominated by an overwhelming vote and had declined. That had never happened before in the party's history, nor was it in accordance with the convention managers' plans. Then, after a recess to confirm for the last time Mr. Lewden's frequently reiterated decision, the Heli and Mar's general from Chicago was swept into the nomination.

That, too, had not been planned by the leaders. The convention itself, as President Coolidge wished, had named his running mate.

Nomination of Coolidge was accomplished at the morning session with decorous enthusiasm, only

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HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION AT TABERNACLE

The Salem high school annual graduation exercises will be held at the tabernacle this evening—Friday the 13th—at which time a total of 264 young men and women will receive diplomas of graduation.

Work of preparing the large tabernacle for the exercises has been completed. The junior class has beautified the stage with floral decorations and decorated the large auditorium with the graduating class colors.

The diplomas will be presented by Dr. H. H. Olinger, chairman of the school board.

Featuring the program will be the oration on "The Constitution," by Benoit McCracken. This oration won the Oregon State oratorical contest.

The four seniors who tied for first honors in scholarship will appear on the program giving the history of their class during the three years in Salem high school.

Dr. J. D. McCormick, of the Kimball School of Theology, will give the invocation and Rev. George Koehler the benediction.

Seats have been reserved for the parents and friends of the graduates, admission to this section to be by ticket only. The remainder of the tabernacle will be for the general public.

The tabernacle was chosen as the place for the graduation in order that a larger number of people wishing to attend might be accommodated. Heretofore, when the exercises have been held at the armory, hundreds of people arriving shortly before time for the opening of the exercises, have been unable to gain admission.

The collapse of the frame has started a buying wave in Paris. People are hurrying to shops to trade paper money for merchandise.

LA FOLLETTE SAYS ARMERS TURNED DOWN

Wisconsinite Says Administration Has Told Agriculture to Pull Itself Up By Boot Straps.

Madison, Wis., June 13.—(By Associated Press.)—The present administration has "literally turned its back upon the farmer," Senator Robert M. La Follette of Wisconsin declared in a statement made public today. He further declared that the responsibility for the failure of the sixtieth congress to meet a righteously demanded from the farmers for necessary and effective legislation will rest upon President Coolidge.

His statement in part follows: "The sixty-eighth congress has adjourned after voting down a resolution providing that the house and senate should reassemble after the national conventions in order to give immediate consideration to measures providing for relief of agriculture."

"These interests which demand ship subsidies, tax reduction, protection, railroad guarantees, lot and land grants and other special privilege legislation, make the argument that the farmer must pull himself out of his difficulties by his bootstraps and that nothing the federal government can do by law would prove of the slightest assistance. This, in substance, is precisely the argument addressed to congress by President Coolidge in his first message."

"The truth is that the farmer is suffering chiefly from artificial disadvantages, which heretofore have been added upon by his back by act of congress or by the policies of the executive branch of government. The Esch-Cummins railroad law of 1920 brought a significant freight rate increase, unprecedented in American history, which has since made it impossible for farmers in many sections to move their products to market at a profit."

BONUS LAW TO BE ENFORCED

Washington, June 13.—Directions for administration of the bonus law despite the failure of congress to appropriate funds for the purpose were given today by President Coolidge in order to the government bonus law.

Director Hines of the veterans' bureau was instructed to appportion his appropriation for salaries and expenses during the fiscal year 1925 as to make available for the first six months commencing July 1 amounts for the administration of the law to be used by the war and navy departments.

In a letter today to Secretary Weeks reciting that the bonus became a law over his protest the president said: "I am not willing, however, to let the administration of this law practically be in abeyance until congress again convenes simply because I would be justified under existing conditions in so doing."

He added that the law, in his opinion, imposed certain obligations upon the executive branch of the government, "which do not permit of delay in performance."

Held in Jail for Half
A Pint of Booze

Russ Cronson, who was arrested last night by Officer Putnam charged with having a half bottle of liquor in his possession, is in the county jail trying to determine whether or not he wants to plead guilty before Justice Kuntz tomorrow.

When he appeared before that justice this morning he entered a plea of not guilty, but the justice and the prisoner talked the matter over and as a result the prisoner said he would like to consider his plea a little longer, so he was held in jail until that time.

His bail was fixed at \$250.

A few honest men are better than numbers.

Whitfield Hangs For Nosko Murder Nerve Never Fails

Walla Walla, Wash., June 13.—With resentment against none and with steady unflinching nerve, George Edward Whitfield, 20 years of age, convicted murderer of Anna Nosko, 10 year old Battle-ground school girl, went to his doom on the gallows at the state prison this morning at 4:38 o'clock just as dawn was breaking in the east. He was pronounced dead at 4:44.

Whitfield was accompanied to the scaffold by the Rev. Father Stephen Buckley, his spiritual adviser, who has been with him constantly for the past few weeks. Just before the noose was slipped around the doomed man's neck he was asked if there was anything he wished to say and replied that he had no statement to make. He had previously written out a statement for the newspapers.

During the earlier part of last night, Whitfield slept considerably and at 1 o'clock this morning he went to sleep again around at 2:30 o'clock. At 4:15 o'clock, he asked for breakfast and ate an egg, toast and coffee.

He walked to the gallows and mounted the steps with a steady and firm step. Only the two attending physicians and members of the official hanging party witnessed the execution.

Whitfield left the following statement with Father Buckley for publication:

"As I go to meet my God, in whose mercy and goodness I trust I wish to express the following feelings in my heart. I firmly trust that the good God will forgive me my sins. I forgive all who have injured me and I hope those whom I have injured will pardon me. There is no bitterness in my heart toward a single one of my fellow beings. I absolve from blame all who took part in my trial because I feel that they did what they thought was right."

"I am very grateful to my attorney, Mr. Lane, who has stood by me through all my troubles and to all others who have befriended me, and also to all the officers of prison for they all treated me very kindly. I wish no one ill luck, but to the contrary, I wish one and all good luck, prosperity, a long happy life on this earth and a happy home in heaven hereafter."

"George Edward Whitfield."

FRIDAY THE 13TH DOES NOT SCARE BRIDE AND GROOM

Today is Friday the 13th. Even at this time little terror for Edna Ruhwald, lately of Spokane, Wash., and Lloyd Delinger of Hennepin, Idaho, who are scheduled to take the route to marital bliss this afternoon. Anyway it is June, and the roses are in bloom, and who cares for a little thing like Friday the 13th under these conditions?

In fact Friday the 13th wasn't worrying many people around Salem today. Didn't Al Pierce come home with a blue ribbon pinned on his chest for the Christian first place adventure at Portland yesterday, and didn't Sam Koser have a card telling him his float also dominated the situation in the parade there?

Charlie Wilson at the chamber of commerce was slightly off his gait today but declared that Friday the 13th had nothing to do with it, as he drove to Portland yesterday with C. S. Hamilton and couldn't start back until Hamilton was ready to leave.

"If it hadn't been for him I would have been back here in bed as usual at 8 o'clock last night," Wilson said. "But I couldn't walk and that is why we didn't get home until early a. m. on the 13th."

The only man in hard luck today seems to have been the reporter who was advised to go out and pick up some hard luck stories.

He found a farmer who was sure that it would rain on the cherries, and another who was sure it wouldn't rain on his vegetables. He also found a Kiwanian who complained that the law was a nuisance, and a woman who said she was afraid the Rev. Ward Willis Long might be asked to lead the singing at some noon day luncheon again. But aside from these deplorable cases every one seemed to be in good cheer.

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48 KILLED IN EXPLOSION ON BATTLESHIP

Flare-back of 14-Inch
Gun Wrecks Turret of
Mississippi and Deals
Death To Men.

San Pedro, Cal., June 13.—(By Associated Press.)—U. S. S. Mississippi, self-wounded giant of the Pacific fleet, in one of whose forward turrets 48 men died in an explosion yesterday, today lays anchored outside the harbor breakwater.

Trained by their calling to face death, unexpected and sudden, her officers and men are removing the traces of the terrible blast of T.N.T. that swept their comrades into eternity.

Naval traditions, of the kind that cluster about names of Farragut, Decatur, John Paul Jones and other American sea fighters of the past, courage, devotion to duty and modesty, flared brilliantly in the midst of yesterday's smoke and carnage.

A slim lad from Spokane, Ensign H. D. Smith was first to crawl into the shattered gun turret that had become a tomb of the dead and a pocket of deadly gas in an effort to save anyone who might have escaped the explosion.

Today the little ensign will not talk beyond saying: "I did only what any other man would have done."

Heroic efforts to save the lives of the men in turret No. 2, as the flames burst out, were made by Lieutenant Thomas E. Sellers, one of the three officers whose lives were snuffed out with the progressive burning of smokeless powder.

When rescuing parties entered the death chamber they found the limp hand of Sellers still resting on the sprinkler controls, which

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MEANEST MAN SENT TO JAIL

Portland, Ore., June 13.—Charged with police officers that he had thrown red hot pennies to children yesterday caused Dr. Cyrus P. Johnson, dentist, to be sentenced to ten days in jail and fined \$100 by Municipal Judge Stadler today. Johnson explained that it was a "common practice" to watch children jump when the pennies burned their fingers. Police reported two children with badly burned fingers and several others burned less seriously.

Patrolman Andrew Miller, who made the arrest, said he was standing before the Park building at Alder and Park streets waiting for the parade when he noticed the children there scrambling for pennies thrown from an upper window and then cry with pain as they grasped them between their eager fingers. Looking up he saw a man reach out the window with an iron ladle and toss more pennies to the street.

Johnson admitted amusing himself and some friends in his office by throwing the hot coins to the children but said he didn't think he was doing harm by it.

Tuel was serving a one year term for larceny in a store and had but 34 days more to serve before being released.

Three terms in the state reformatory first brought Tuel to the attention of the state authorities, and following his release from the school he was sent to the prison from Multnomah county to serve from 1 to 5 years for burglary. He was received at the prison December 5, 1917, and was paroled February 16, 1919.

Violation of the terms of his parole brought him back October 7, 1919, and in December of that year he made his escape, along with Ralph Turpin, Josephine county murderer.

Tuel was recaptured near Crescent City, Cal., but Turpin never has been located. After being paroled again Tuel was received at the prison on the larceny charge September 5, 1923. He received also shows him to be a deserter from the United States army.

Tuel's parents reside in Salem.

The city of Boston, Mass., has appropriated \$150,000 for experimentation with rubber paving blocks made from scrap tires.

Son of Pierce's Dry Agent Caught With 20 Gallons of Booze

Klamath Falls, Ore., June 13.—Walter Tanklesky, 18, son of G. W. Tanklesky, agent of the Pierce Bros. & Co., is under arrest here charged with having 20 gallons of booze in his possession. Roy Tanklesky, another son, was recently arrested and pleaded guilty to possession of a still and was fined \$1000 and sentenced to 100 days in jail.

Walter Tanklesky was arrested at the time of the arrest and made the same statement. Tanklesky is an apprentice of Governor Pierce.

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"Human Dynamo" Chosen As Candidate For Vice President



Charles G. Dawes

FRANCE ELECTS DOUMERGUE AS PRESIDENT

Versailles, June 13.—(By Associated Press.)—Gaston Doumergue was today elected president of France by the national assembly here.

M. Doumergue received 515 votes, and Paul Painleve, president of the chamber of deputies 309 votes with 29 votes for various other candidates and eight blank ballots. These figures were officially announced in open session of the assembly.

Paris, June 13.—Edouard Herriot, leader of the radical party, who had said he would not accept the task of forming a cabinet from the hands of any president who might be elected with the collaboration of the right parties of the opposition declared today, according to his friends, that he would answer a call from the president who would be elected at Versailles today.

Paris, June 13.—Premier Frederic Francis-Marsal tonight tendered the resignation of his cabinet to Gaston Doumergue, newly elected president of the republic, by whom it was accepted.

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JUDGE HARRIS TURNED DOWN BY GOVERNOR

Pierce Refuses Alumni
And Eugene Demand To
Appoint Former Justice
As University Regent.

Disregarding the petition of alumni, students, faculty members and other friends of the University of Oregon, who sought the appointment of Judge Lawrence T. Harris, former supreme court justice, to the board of regents of the university to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Charles H. Fisher, Governor Pierce this morning announced the appointment of Phil Jackson, associate publisher of the Oregon Journal, to the position.

The appointments lessens the longings that have for weeks been quietly speculating as to the reasons behind the governor's delay in making the appointment and his refusal to name Judge Harris, for whom there has been an organized demand from those principally interested in the selection of a regent.

Wanted Judge Harris.
Within a few days after the death of Mr. Fisher the movement to secure the appointment of Judge Harris was launched in Eugene, and scores of persons throughout the state are known to have joined in the request that he be appointed. At first it appeared that Governor Pierce would appoint him, but suddenly there developed an unexpected rift in the part of the executive. Rumors leaked out that the governor understood President Campbell of the university to be opposed to the appointment of Judge Harris, but this proved to be untrue and President Campbell later was reported to have joined in the recommendation of Judge Harris.

When the appointment continued to hang fire a delegation of Eugene citizens came down to wait upon the governor. They waited for an hour, were finally granted an audience, Pierce told them he would hear them, but to "make it snappy."

See Political End.
In the refusal of Pierce to name Judge Harris friends of the judge say the governor again playing politics, pointing out that Pierce has aspirations to succeed Robert N. Stanford in the United States senate two years hence, and that in Judge Harris he sees a probable opponent to be feared. Hence, they say, the governor is not anxious to augment the political strength of the judge, whatever his qualifications as a member of the board of regents may be.

Some friends and advisers of the governor are known to have been very favorable to the appointment of Judge Harris, both because of his exceptional qualifications and because they felt that it would be good policy for the governor to name a republican to the vacancy. The term of Judge J. W. Hamilton, Roseburg democrat, is to expire soon and it is considered certain that he will be reappointed, and the governor's advisers fear the result of too many democratic appointments to the honorary offices.

Only one man was shot. He was a member of the rubber gang, mistaken by one of his fellows for a member of the train crew.

Although the train carried more than 70 mail clerks and guards, all armed, only those in three coaches were compelled to face the guns of the robbers. These coaches carried the registered and first class mail.

The robbers forced their way into the cars by breaking the coach windows and throwing bombs filled with chloroform gas.

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ALBANY BRIDGE COSTS \$245,306

Portland, Ore., June 13.—Bids for improvement of Mayer Park, enclosing Bowen loops on the Columbia river highway, ten miles west of The Dalles, will be let at the next meeting of the state highway commission, June 24.

At the June 24 meeting will be discussed the advisability of continuing grading and rock retaining on the highway from Agate Beach to Rock Creek. If this work is to be hurried this summer, it will leave only ten miles of this highway between Newport and Bids uncontracted.

The commission decided not to change the location of the Albany bridge over the Willamette.

Bids for the new bridge were opened late yesterday but the contract will not be awarded until the winner has been approved by the state highway commission, Lin county court and Albany city officials, as all three bodies will pay for it. The low bid was Union Bridge company \$245,306.

New York.—William T. Tilden, center of the player-writer scandal controversy, was named on the special committee of the United States Lawn Tennis association, to consider the amateur interpretation, which would penalize player-writers after January 1.

Portland, Ore., June 13.—The state convention of the Oregon department of the American Legion held business sessions today.

Tonight the annual promenade of La Bete des 48 hommes et 4 chevaux will be held, and state officers will be elected.

The drum corps from the Roseburg post of the American Legion was first prize, a silver cup, in competing with other posts of the state.

Eugene drum corps was second place and La Grande third. Roseburg scored 45 points, Eugene 42 and La Grande 40. The judges were Captain Hayes, Vancouver, B. C. Charles Barr and Rudolph Schutte.

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ROBBERS USE AIRPLANE TO CARRY LOOT

Band of Train Robbers
Operating In Automobiles
Loots Express and
Mail Cars At Night.

Waukegan, Ill., June 13.—Do not believe that the loot may have been carried away in an airplane was expressed by some local authorities today when it was learned that an unidentified plane was seen to land today in a field two miles north of the robbery.

Two men were seen working hurriedly about the plane and five minutes later it took off and after attaining a height of about 4000 feet started toward Chicago.

Minneapolis, Minn., June 13.—Liberty bonds valued at \$150,000 which were consigned to the federal reserve bank here were a part of the loot stolen by bandits during the robbery of a Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul train near Chicago Thursday night. It was revealed here today.

Chicago, June 13.—(By Associated Press.)—Authorities of several counties were watching all roads today for trace of four automobile loads of train robbers who robbed a Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul express and mail train last night, carrying away a fortune in registered mail, Postal and bank officials however, said the amount would be much less than early estimates which had ranged from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000.

Although the holdup was one of the most daring in railroad history, and was executed with precision and by a large band the exact number of which has not been ascertained, A. E. Gormer, chief postoffice inspector here, declared the loss would not exceed \$100,000 in his opinion.

Federal reserve bank officials said all shipments of currency and securities from the federal reserve bank of Chicago aggregated \$75,000.

The train, en route from Chicago to St. Paul, was stopped at Round Bay, Ill., 32 miles north of Chicago.

Fifty minutes later the bandits took possession of it. In 55 minutes more they gathered between 42 and 45 coaches of registered mail and sped away into the darkness.

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