

BOARD HEARS COLLEGE ROW

SALEM QUOTA OF MILL FUND GUARANTEED

Workers Underwrite Balance Needed To Assure \$300,000, But Stock Is Yet To Be Sold.

The campaign for funds for the new linen mill came within \$5000 of Salem's quota of \$300,000 this noon, with personal guarantees for stock sales by individual workers amounting to some \$23,000. Actual subscriptions to the fund amounted to a total of \$273,275 at noon today.

The effort to underwrite the remainder of the fund was made in order to get the campaign actively started at Portland and other places. At Portland \$175,000 was promised at a meeting of prominent men of that city recently. Plans for the actual campaign to raise the subscriptions will be launched there immediately.

Underwriters in most cases expect to sell the stock they have underwritten. Their agreement is to stand responsible for it, and either sell it to some purchaser or buy it themselves.

Sale of the stock was underwritten merely to assure success of the campaign. It is explained, and does not constitute an end of the drive for funds in Salem.

Report of progress will be made at a meeting at the chamber of commerce rooms Thursday afternoon. It is hoped that by then the stock will actually be sold, bringing the fund up to the full quota of \$300,000 set for Salem.

BANK RESOURCES OF NATION GAIN

Washington, May 18.—(A. P.)—Combined resources of the national banks of the United States on April 6, the date of the last bank call, were \$33,832,273,000 or an increase in the last 12 months of \$1,754,251,000.

Every phase of national banking operations showed important increases. Loans and discounts of all the banks aggregated \$12,468,836,000, an increase of more than half a billion in the year since the corresponding bank call of 1924.

Total deposit liabilities amounted to \$19,882,847,000, an increase of \$1,254,251,000 over deposits of a year ago.

RUM RUNNERS PRACTICE MULTITUDE OF RUSES

Freeport, N. Y., May 18.—Ruses employed by "bottle fishermen" in their attempt to keep their powerfully equipped liquor load afloat speed boats out of the hands of the coast guard were made known here today by Lieutenant Commander Yeandle, aide to the coast guard commandant.

One of the runners favorite tricks Commander Yeandle said, was to drop old fishing-nets in the path of pursuing government vessels in which their propellers would become entangled. Another trick was the heaving overboard of cases of liquor which if struck in darkness might cause the sinking of the rum chaser.

"The one pounders aboard coast guard boats don't scare us," one Freeport "bottle fisherman" told a newspaper man. "We can catch those balls in our glove hands. But when they begin to whizz their machine gun bullets in our direction we felt downright uncomfortable."

FIVE INJURED WHEN SPEEDER HITS TRAIN

Aberdeen, Wash., May 18.—Five men were seriously injured, two probably fatally, when a motor speeder on which they were riding collided with a locomotive on a curve 25 miles north of Aberdeen in the Wishkah valley it was learned here last night.

The speeder, hauling two cars containing twenty men was traveling approximately 25 miles an hour when a locomotive moving at the same speed, loomed ahead. Both applied brakes but the impact crushed the speeder and the men were hurled down a bank.

SCORES BRYAN



CLARENCE DARROW

SAYS BRYAN IS IGNORANT

Unwillingness To Allow Study of Evolution Is Declared Indication of Narrowness.

New York, May 18.—Clarence Darrow, Chicago lawyer, who is to oppose William Jennings Bryan in a Tennessee evolution trial, came out today with a few opinions about the commoner, Nero and Bryan were linked by Darrow as men whose irrational opposition enhanced the spread of great doctrines.

Offers of Darrow and Dudley Field Malone of New York to assist in the defense of J. T. Scopes, Dayton, Tenn., public school teacher, charged with violation of a law forbidding the teaching of evolution, have been accepted. Mr. Bryan is to assist in the prosecution, Mr. Darrow is here.

"Nero," he said, "tried to kill Christianity with persecution and law. Bryan would block enlightenment with law. Nero failed as will Bryan. Persons are studying evolution in Tennessee now more than before the law was passed just as Nero's acts made Christians."

"Man may be sure of his ideas but if he is intelligent, he knows there is room for doubt and debate and he welcomes both. Mr. Bryan would block both because of his views. He was brought up on certain beliefs which he has never questioned or about which he has never sought to be enlightened to the end that he might be wrong. That is lack of intelligence."

"Had Mr. Bryan's ideas of what a man may do towards free thinking existed towards history, he would still be hanging and burning witches and punishing persons who thought the earth round."

Mr. Darrow said he and Mr. Malone were willing to pay all the expenses of the Tennessee trial "in order that day may triumph over night."

"Any man of ordinary intelligence could topple Bryan in such a fight," he continued. "The Tennessee lawyers are good. They will not need help."

Curb Bulgarian Army

London, May 18.—It is learned in official circles that the British government in agreement with the other allies does not feel inclined to authorize retention beyond May 31 of the excess troops.

LINEIN MILL SUBSCRIPTION BLANK

(Cut out, sign and mail)
Chamber of Commerce, Salem, Oregon:
I hereby agree to subscribe for _____ shares of preferred stock of the par value of \$100, and _____ shares of common stock of the par value of \$10.00 in a corporation to be organized for the purpose of manufacturing flax fibre products within the City of Salem or its immediate vicinity and agree to pay for the same in four installments at the call of the Board of Directors of said company.
Name _____
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OPEN TRIAL OF SHEPHERD FOR MURDER

Selection of Jury Will Take From Three Days To Three Weeks, Say Attorneys.

Chicago, May 18.—William Darling Shepherd went on trial today, charged with the murder of his millionaire foster son, William N. (Billy) McClintock, with the prosecution indicating that it would ask the death penalty.

Charles C. Faiman, head of a school of sciences, who was indicted with Shepherd and confessed that he instructed the latter in the administration of typhoid germs and supplied him with cultures, believing that Shepherd planned to kill young "Billy," was granted a separate trial on motion of State's Attorney Robert E. Crowe. Faiman, who said Shepherd had promised him a reward of \$100,000 which Faiman said he expected to receive if Shepherd obtained "Billy's" million dollar estate is slated to be the star witness of the prosecution.

Mrs. Julie Shepherd, the defendant's wife, hurried forward and kissed her husband. She had intended to sit beside him but instead was given a seat across the aisle.

Estimates of court attaches as to the time which would be required to obtain the 12 jurors ranged from three days to three weeks, Judge Thomas J. Lynch of the original court presided.

BARE KNEES SEEN MOSTLY IN WEST

DONEY ASSERTS

Incidents of his trip east last summer, his stay there during the winter, and his return to Salem recently, were related by Dr. Carl Gregg Doney, president of Willamette university, in a speech before the Salem chamber of commerce at its weekly luncheon this noon. Chief among Dr. Doney's observations were that the weather there is more unusual than here, and that women's styles are more extreme in the west than in the east. "You have to come to Oregon to see bare knees," said Dr. Doney. "We think we have unusual weather here in Oregon," he stated, "but the weather changes more rapidly and more extremely in the east than in the west."

He described his trip east by automobile, speaking of the over friendliness of the bears in Yellowstone national park, the dangers of Shoshone Canyon, the size of the city of Chicago, and the swarms of honeymooners at Niagara Falls.

"The New England people are a peculiar people," he continued. "They want to be known as a peculiar people. Their children, many of them are like other children, and many of them are worse." From observations on the streets of Boston and other places, including what he heard of their conversation, Dr. Doney drew the conclusion, "The New Englander gets a religious point of view early in life."

ITALIANS SEEK DEBT LENIENCY

Rome, May 18.—(A. P.)—Italy is entitled to have lenient treatment in the settlement of her war debts, Tommaso Tittoni, president of the senate and ex-foreign minister, declared yesterday in a speech at Viterbo. The occasion was the unveiling of a monument to men killed in the world war. The speech was made in the presence of the king, several members of the cabinet and senators and deputies.

Signor Tittoni pointed out that Austria owes Italy heavy debts for war reparations and expense of occupation but that Italy has received no payments whatever. He quoted statements of some Englishmen and Americans to the effect that the cancellation of inter-allied debts would be chiefly advantageous to England and America themselves because it would accelerate Europe's purchasing power and increase England's and America's exports.

He declared that Italy has every confidence in the feelings of justice and equity which inspired her creditors. A message was ready from Premier Mussolini expressing agreement with Tittoni's views.

ESTATE OF RECLUSE IS VALUED AT \$120,000

Port Townsend, Wash., May 18.—Loren Smith, a geese who died here Saturday night, left \$100,000 in United States bonds and \$20,000 in cash besides a valuable farm. An investigation has revealed.

Smith had lived in a cabin near Port Townsend for more than 20 years. He was forcibly taken to a hospital by Clallam county authorities.

He had imagined everyone was after his money and when persons approached his cabin he ordered them away with a gun. He was about 70 years old and has relatives in England.

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I. N. DAY DROPS DEAD AT HOME IN PORTLAND

Political And Industrial Leader Succumbs Suddenly; Father of State Compensation Act.

Portland, Or., May 18.—Funeral services for I. N. Day, former state senator, and worker for state tax betterments and road improvements, who died suddenly at his home here yesterday, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Portland, Or., May 18.—I. N. Day, father of the workmen's compensation movement in Oregon, leader in the planning of the state highway program and prominent citizen of Portland for more than 30 years, died suddenly yesterday morning at his home 771 Kearney street.

Death was altogether unexpected. Mr. Day, 63 years old, had been in fair health and arose earlier than usual. He had been talking to his son, O. N. Day, and about 10:30 o'clock went to a room at the rear of the house to do some painting. A short time later he was heard coughing violently, and a moment later he was found dead.

Heart disease probably was the cause, according to Dr. Earl Smith and Dr. Fred Gulleite, who were called. Mr. Day was injured in an auto accident about eight months ago.

PROJETS OUTSTANDING

Although for years he had constantly been identified with industrial and political activities for the development of the state, three of his projects were outstanding.

As a member of the state senate, to which he had been elected in 1913, for a four-year term, he fostered the introduction of the workmen's compensation act. The measure was enacted, providing

6 COAST GUARDS SMUGGLE BOOZE DURING RUM WAR

New York, May 18.—Internal troubles are proving handicaps to coast guardsmen blockading New York's rum row. Six members of the coast guard have been court-martialed for smuggling liquor and three for intoxication, it was revealed today.

Officers have refused to discuss the affair, but it is known that nineteen men have been confined for varying periods in the county jail on Staten Island, awaiting court-martial, for various offenses. Six convicted of smuggling have been sentenced to six months imprisonment and three got three months each for intoxication.

A far greater handicap is the prospect of a shortage of men in the fleet. Fully 20 per cent, it is said, will not re-enlist when their services terminate July 1. Conditions on the coast guard ships call for unusually hard work and few brief shore leaves. These are sufficient to induce the guardsmen to seek other occupations.

The coast guard has found in the spray run running boat Cigarette, a foe for which is all but invincible. Because of its vasty superior speed the Cigarette outdistances the fastest of the dry navy's fleet. It is reported to have slipped through the lines several nights ago and to have headed for the sea.

The present blockade is continuing effectively, however, and reports indicate that within a short time fewer than half a dozen ships will remain of the fifty odd ten days ago.

A four day cruise of the rum running area by newspapermen showed that a billion dollar group of rum smugglers was being combated by a \$20,000,000 coast guard organization. To block off 385 foreign whiskey ships of all descriptions which have been noted as having been on the row at various times, the prohibition navy has 16 cutters, 20 dispatch boats, 288 patrol boats and 163 picket boats.

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BULGARIAN SITUATION AGAIN TENSE

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London, May 18.—(A. P.)—A dispatch to the Daily Express from Sofia dated Sunday says there were disquieting events during the last 24 hours in various parts of the country. On Saturday 1500 soldiers were engaged in repressing armed bands east of Sofia. There were sharp encounters with brigands at Tartar Polerik, Stanimaka, Shipka, Lovetch and Schumen. A number of arrests were made at Ihtiman, where raiders seized quantities of food. Revolvers and rifles were discovered in the house of one of the leaders.

A plot to blow up bridges between Sofia and Philippopolis was discovered just in time to prevent damage to the Orient express.

The correspondent adds that the ministry of war says it has obtained evidence of a plot for further assassinations of high government personages and that government offices and the minister's homes are being guarded.

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UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE STATE CASES

State Board of Higher Curricula Opens Hearing on Charges of Duplicated Work.

Portland, Ore., May 18.—The board of higher curricula, of which Dr. C. J. Smith of Portland is chairman, today heard the opening statements in the controversy between the University of Oregon and Oregon Agricultural college which was precipitated by charges by the university that the college had established certain courses assigned by the board to the university, resulting in duplication.

Dr. H. D. Sheldon opened the case for the university after the board had adjourned from Dr. Smith's office to the assembly hall in the school building of Temple Beth Israel.

The board at the outset, through Dr. Smith, announced that one speaker would be allowed to present the case for each side, and that speakers following would be limited as to time. This interfered in certain degree with plans of the university, which had arranged to have the presentation of the case made by Dr. Sheldon, and the argument upon the merits of its brief made by John C. Veatch, an alumnus of the university.

Briefs Considered.

When the board of higher curricula went into session it had before it the brief of the University of Oregon of 57 pages in which the issues were raised, and the brief of the Oregon Agricultural college of 212 pages in which the college answered the charges advanced by the university.

The college's argument against the attitude of the university was that the latter aimed to reduce the college "to the status of a trade school which no young man or woman of college calibre having capacity for leadership would care to attend."

The university's brief which was filed with the board last week complained that the college had instituted courses beyond

FRENCH FORCES CONSOLIDATING

Rabat, French Morocco, May 18.—(By the Associated Press)—The French forces opposing Abd-el-Krim's invading tribesmen were today consolidating their position but were postponing the second and what they hope will be the final offensive to rid their territory of the Riffians.

The offensive has been postponed to await the results of the mission to Madrid of Louis Mabry, former French minister of the interior who is at the Spanish capital to learn the attitude of Spain, should France find it necessary to pursue the Moroccan tribesmen from the French into the Spanish zone.

Meanwhile the French are strengthening new positions as well as consolidating those they captured from the Riffians in Wednesday's fighting.

Abd-el-Krim continued to bring up reinforcements and the French are afraid he will strike before negotiations with Spain, seeking permission to fight Abd-el-Krim on Spanish territory are successful.

THE VELVET HAMMER

By Arthur Brooks Baker

T. B. KAY

The money and the politics of this ambitious state, comprise combined, we see and find, considerable weight, and any one indulging in the conduct of the two has got a bite, if we are right, that makes a man's size chew, and one would say that T. B. Kay is fully occupied because the work cut out for him is long and doubly wide.

State treasurer, he plots and plans how coin can be annexed, a problem whose simplicities are corkily complicated; as politician he must think which way the money goes, and there's a matter more involved than many might suppose, for when the Grand Old Party is completely notified, the elephant may hesitate to recognize his guide.

But more responsibility devolves on T. B. Kay. Industrial production is the order of his day. He operates a woolen mill whose spindle buzz and spin, arousing enterprisingly, which shifts sheep's clip. He's been the chief Rotarian, which means how well he stands. He's right among our high class heads and most effective hands.