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FAIR AND MILD
Tonight and Wednesday. Gentle north-
east and east winds.
Local: Max., 73; min., 41; rain, none;
river, -1.7; atmos. clear; wind, north.

FORTY-SEVENTH YEAR No. 226 SALEM, OREGON, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1925 PRICE THREE CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

MITCHELL AIR PLAN FOUGHT

LINEN MILL PROSPECTS VERY BRIGHT

Bartram Brings Back Word of New Scutcher And Drier; Meet Thursday for Organization.

When stockholders of the new Oregon Linen Mills, Inc., meet for organization of the corporation Thursday morning at 10 o'clock at the chamber of commerce, they will face the brightest prospects for successful operation of the new concern which have appeared on the horizon since the campaign for its construction was inaugurated.

It will develop that Portland wholesalers have given those interested in the mill to understand that they will be willing themselves to buy the entire product of the mill if the mill so desires to dispose of its products.

Saving Possible. That Colonel Bartram has found in the east in tried, operations an automatic scutcher and patented drier which will revolutionize plans for the mill here, simplify the operations and reduce overhead costs to a startling degree.

That Colonel Bartram's investigations into machinery costs resulted in discovery that new and most modern machinery can be purchased at a cost materially under the original estimates, which not only insures construction of the mill, but with anything like prompt action on the part of the

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WALKER HOLDS TITLE; DEFEATS SHADE IN RALLY

New York, Sept. 22.—(A. P.)—Mike Walker of Elizabeth, N. J., and his two battering fists still rule the welterweight division of the pugilistic world.

By a furious rally in the final round of a gruelling 15-round struggle with his leading challenger, Dave Shade of San Francisco, the champion demonstrated to the satisfaction of two out of three officials last night that he is still entitled to wield the scepter in the 147-pound class.

George T. Kelly of Yonkers, N. Y., one of the judges, thought Shade won. Richard Nugent of Buffalo, the other judge, voted for Walker. Then Referee Patey Haley decided the issue by returning a verdict for the champion.

With but few exceptions most of the newspaper critics conceded Walker a clean cut victory; he finished the stronger after having forced the fighting over almost the entire round in addition to dealing out the heavier blows. Shade, one of the most elusive marks in the ring, for the most part cast aside his dodging ways in defense by which he had often baffled opponents in other fights. He traded punches, toe to toe, with the champion. It was a game at which Walker was highly proficient and the change in tactics spelled defeat for the crafty Californian.

STATE FAIR IS RATE WAR CAUSE

A passenger rate war involving fares to the Oregon state fair over all lines entering Salem was developed between the railroad and stage, with the railroads having the upper hand so far, but the stages expected to make another play before the fair opens next Monday.

The stage lines filed with the public service commission an excursion schedule of fair and a third for round trip which has been the usual practice. To beat this the Southern Pacific company and the Oregon Electric company today came out with a schedule of fares round trips over all their lines into Salem for the price of a one-way ticket, which is a big cut under the special stage rates.

Adam Died of Gout Ancient Document In London Reveals

London, Sept. 22.—(A. P.)—Adam died of the gout, says an ancient document held by the Herald's college of London. The document, the origin of which is unknown, but which was written in the 16th century, professes to trace the genealogical origin of the Saxons back to Adam and Eve.

Whether, if Adam had continued to eat an apple a day he would have kept the doctor away, is not mentioned.

FLAMES WIPE OUT ENTIRE BLOCK IN TIJUANA TODAY

San Diego, Cal., Sept. 22.—(A. P.)—Flames starting in the Vernon club in Tijuana early this morning swept through an entire block that included some of the best known resorts in the border city, causing a loss that business men of the town estimated would total nearly \$1,000,000.

Reports from the border town were to the effect that the fire broke out in the kitchen attached to the Vernon club, shortly after 4 o'clock this morning. Fanned by a moderate early morning wind, the blaze quickly spread to adjoining structures and within a few minutes one of the worst fires in the history of Tijuana was under full headway.

The Tijuana fire department consisting of one motor truck, with hose and chemical tanks, was soon on the scene but within a few minutes after the pumps were started the water supply gave out and there was then nothing for the inhabitants of the town to do but and helplessly by and watch the spread of the flames.

Thirty minutes after the start of the fire practically all the structures in the block were ablaze. Although lack of water made fighting the fire impossible, a telephone appeal for help was sent to the Chula Vista fire department and a chemical truck was dispatched from there to Tijuana. When the Chula Vista truck arrived, the firemen confined their efforts to attempts to save structures opposite the doomed block, chemical tanks being employed for this purpose.

Shortly before five o'clock the wind died out completely and owing to this fact the saving of the balance of the town is attributed.

CLAIMANTS FOR DAMAGES LEAVE; CASE UNSETTLED

Mr. and Mrs. Allan J. Mitchell, who had made a demand on the city for \$50,000, which was refused, were today in the city of San Francisco, where they were to appear in court to contest the city's refusal to pay damages for the loss of their property.

The woman who is under arrest at Yreka is said to have come from the city, but she is not known here under the name by which she is held at Yreka.

Woman Cast Into Furnace While Alive

New York, Sept. 22.—(A. P.)—Mrs. Sophie Polanski, whose body was found today in the furnace of an East Side lumber yard, was placed in the furnace while alive and burned to death, Medical Examiner Schwartz announced.

Two fractures were found on the woman's skull. George Symuk, fireman of the furnace, was charged with Mrs. Polanski's death.

Symuk said the woman often visited him at the yard and that she once threatened to poison him. When she brought him two bottles of wine this morning he suspected that she had placed poison in the wine. He said he beat her over the head with a bottle and then carried her body to the furnace room. Police said Mrs. Polanski was gagged before being placed in the furnace.

Detectives found John Polanski, the dead woman's husband in bed at home with a serious wound on the head. He was held for questioning.

CALIFORNIA MURDER AID TO FIGHTER

Boxer Sought For Killing of Logger on Strength of Alleged Confession By Accomplice.

Klamath Falls, Or., Sept. 22.—Joe Coffman, well known light-weight boxer, is being sought by Siskiyou county, California, authorities on a charge of first degree murder. The crime for which the young pugilist is sought was committed in Weed last month when an unidentified logger was choked to death in a reputed robbery plot. Two persons are now held in the county jail at Yreka, Cal., in connection with the alleged murder.

"Murder" posters urging the apprehension of Coffman and his detention without bail have been mailed to peace officers throughout the north-west by Sheriff Callahan of Siskiyou county. One of these posters was received here yesterday by Sheriff Hawkins.

Facts Kept Secret. The photograph of Coffman shows him in his fighting togs, and gives a detailed description of the young pugilist.

A deputy in the office of Sheriff Callahan at Yreka admitted over long distance telephone that Coffman is being sought on a murder charge. Every effort has been made by Siskiyou county officials to keep the facts from the public. The two persons now held at Yreka on a tentative murder charge in connection with the crime are Oscar Schuler and a woman giving the name of Mabel Arant. A report from Yreka this morning stated that Schuler is said to have made a complete confession to Sheriff Callahan and will turn state's evidence in the event Coffman is captured.

Woman Involved. According to Schuler's story, he and Coffman and the woman are alleged to have lived the unknown logger into a barn owned by Dr. W. E. Tebbe at Weed about three weeks ago for the purpose of robbing him. Coffman, according to Schuler's purported confession, undertook to strangle the logger into submission. The victim fell unconscious and died from his injuries.

Faced with evidence which the Siskiyou sheriff had amassed, Schuler is said to have broken down and told the complete story of the crime and of Coffman's alleged participation.

Seen in Roseburg. It was admitted by a Siskiyou deputy today that Coffman has been sought for more than a week. He is reported to have been seen at Roseburg a week ago but since then all trace of him has been lost.

Coffman went to Weed from Klamath Falls. He was here for more than two months this summer and engaged in several bouts here.

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16 TON GIRDER IN NEW THEATER

Two steel girders, declared by local contractors to be by far the heaviest that have ever been placed in any Salem building, were moved to the site of the new Guthrie theater on South High street this morning.

The lighter of the two beams, weighing more than 14 tons, will be used to support the mezzanine balcony of the new building. The other, which weighs more than 16 tons, will support the main balcony. Each measures a fraction over 63 feet in length.

The beams were constructed in Portland. They have been fabricated by riveting smaller pieces of steel together, and have an intricate system of webbing which adds to the weight and strength.

The girders were hauled here on two flat cars and could not be handled by the Oregon Electric on account of their length.

ELECTION ON 4 MEASURES IS DEFEATED

Council Tables Proposal To Call For Special Vote On Millage Levies And Bond Issue.

Salem's special election has been deferred indefinitely, the special election ordinance and all ordinance for ballot measures being tabled again by the council last night with no prospect that they will again be brought up unless to be placed on a special ballot at the general election next May.

The four measures were a millage tax levy for bridge construction, millage levy for street repaving, \$30,000 bond issue for additional fire equipment and the proposal to buy the T. B. Kay park site.

Veto Rumor Explained. A difference between the mayor and the councilmen relative to whether the mayor expected to veto some of the ballot bills was aired and explained to the satisfaction of everybody. At the last previous meeting, while the mayor was absent, the measures were tabled because of a rumor that the mayor had declared he would veto all of them except the bridge bill.

Last night before the measures were taken up for consideration Mayor Glynn said he had never made such a statement and that it was always his intention to sign them if they passed the council.

Alderman Dancy informed the mayor that the report he intended to veto them had come to the council.

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FORMER SALEM MAN ROUTS TWO HOTEL ROBBERS

Roseburg, Or., Sept. 22.—An attempt to hold up the night clerk, W. J. Thompson, at the Grand hotel in this city early this morning failed when the clerk ducked behind the counter and fired a shot through the grille. Thompson told police officers that two men entered the lobby about 4:30 o'clock this morning and asked for rooms. As he started to register them, he said he noticed one of the men fumbling in his hip pocket and saw him drawing a revolver. The hammer of the weapon caught in the man's pocket, giving the clerk time to duck behind the counter and seize his own gun in an open drawer.

Thompson reached up and fired blindly, breaking the glass in the grille. The two men then ran outside and dashed away in a Ford coupe. The officers were informed. Descriptions of the two men were telegraphed to cities north and south of Roseburg.

(Mr. Thompson is well known in Salem, where he was formerly employed as a clerk at the Marion hotel.)

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1368 Pay Income Taxes In Marion And Polk Counties

Thirteen hundred and sixty eight individuals and corporations in Marion and Polk counties paid taxes on their incomes for 1924, according to the compilation of the records on file in the office of the federal internal revenue collector in Portland made by the Capital Journal.

In Marion county 1172 tax payments were made, most of them by Salem residents, but the rest of the county was proportionately represented. Woodburn had 29 taxpayers on the list, and Stayton 20, as shown in the list published today.

Seventy nine, or more than a third of 196 the income tax returns were made from Polk county, were turned in by persons giving their post office addresses as Dallas, The Dallas list is also printed today.

In answer to numerous inquiries that have been received by persons who suspected that other individuals had been missed in the first names published it is pointed out that the names being published are only those of persons who actually paid a tax. It also should be understood that salaries paid to state and municipal officers will not be printed except where they have other taxable incomes.

Today's list includes the "C" and "D" classifications in Salem and those residents of Dallas, Woodburn and Stayton who paid taxes as follows:

SALEM—C	
L. O. Clement	\$59.20
Ralph H. Conley	21.86
C. Clark	7.97
Maud Earle Covington	10.75

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MARION STORE AND DEPOT ARE BURGLARIZED

Burglars robbed the C. M. Smith general store at Marion last night and entered and ransacked the Southern Pacific depot, but took nothing from the latter place, evidently in search of money there.

At the Southern Pacific depot entrance was made through the front door which was pried open with a piece of automobile spring.

The burglars took a considerable quantity of bacon, some coffee, two pairs of high topped shoes, five or six shirts, some union suits, pocket knives, a number of pairs of gloves, a few pairs of hosiery and some tobacco and cigarettes.

At the Southern Pacific depot the burglars thoroughly ransacked the place, pulling the drawers out, and turned things generally upside down, even moving a sack in the warehouse at the rear, but as far as could be determined took nothing with them.

A clue they left one old pair of No. 7 shoes.

Deputy Sheriffs Sam Burkhardt and Bert Smith made investigation of the burglarize this morning.

DISARMAMENT BUCK IS PASSED UP TO CONGRESS

Washington, Sept. 22.—(A. P.)—Washington participation in disarmament conferences plans of the league of nations should only be undertaken if congress authorizes it in the judgment of President Coolidge.

The president wants to do nothing to discourage efforts for reduction in armament by mutual agreement but he is not inclined to co-operate in a league of nations disarmament conference if there is a possibility that congress will object.

No suggestion whether the Washington government will be asked to take part in the expert committee of the league which will discuss plans for a disarmament agreement has reached here through official channels.

YOUNG NATIONALIST WINS

Portland, Or., Sept. 22.—Young Nationalists easily out-pointed Danny Edwards here last night in a 10-round main event at the armory. Neither of the bantamwinded any hard blows, but the Philco gave double what he received throughout and excelled in footwork.

Tommy O'Brien, former amateur bantamweight champion of the Pacific coast, knocked out Babe Fote in the seventh round of a scheduled 10-round bout.

CONSTRUCTION OF DIRIGIBLES HANGING FIRE

No Steps Toward Replacing To Be Taken Pending Report of Probers At Lakehurst.

Washington, Sept. 22.—(A. P.)—No steps toward construction of a new dirigible are contemplated by President Coolidge pending outcome of inquiry at Lakehurst into the wreck of the Shenandoah. The president does not expect, however, that the inquiry will reveal such difficulties in dirigible building as to convince the government that it should abandon such construction.

Gas Cells Strained. Lakehurst, N. J., Sept. 22.—(A. P.)—A new bit of testimony—that there was unusual expansion of the gas cells before the airship Shenandoah broke up—was given today before the naval court of inquiry investigating the loss of the ship.

Lieutenant Thomas S. Hendley, communication officer, testified that he was awakened by the pressure of a gas cell on his face and likewise by the unusual angle at which the ship was rising. Hendley's testimony had been at this time the Shenandoah was above her pressure height—that is, where the inside pressure of gas equalled the outside pressure of air.

Before Lieutenant Hendley was called, Lieutenant Charles E. Baugh watch officer on duty at the time declared inspection some time before the accident showed that the gas pressure was not excessive.

Agree On One Point. Both Lieutenants Hendley and Baugh, as well as Lieutenant Roland G. May, construction officer on board, and with other witnesses agree that the breakup occurred when the ship's nose was suddenly tilted up during a second rapid ascent.

Stories told by civilian eye witnesses to the special investigating board summarized to the court by Commander Jacob B. Klein, president of that board. He said the two most intelligent of these witnesses agreed that the ship broke at the bottom. Others, less intelligent, Commander Klein said, insisted that the craft "humped up" and broke at the top.

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M'NAMARA HELD GUILTY BY JURY

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 22.—(A. P.)—John J. McNamara, labor leader, was today found guilty of blackmail by a jury in criminal court. The jury, out only two and one half hours, was composed of eleven business and professional men and one cemetery sexton.

McNamara who served a prison sentence in the Los Angeles Times dynamiting 14 years ago, was accused of interfering with workmen on the Elks club building here in 1923. The state contended he intimidated workers to force them away from the job so that iron workers could obtain the employment.

Action On Rerouting Bus Lines Deferred By City Councilmen

Action on the petition for a rerouting of the buses of the Salem Street Railway company, by changing them from 17th to 14th street again deferred two weeks when it came before the city council last night.

Only one citizen was heard on the question. He declared that when the 17th street carline was removed the people there were promised the bus service by the city council, and that the residents were expecting the council to keep its agreement. He said that a change in the route would not mean merely a walk of one block to 16th or 18th street by the 17th

street residents, but that many of them would be compelled to walk a long way around because of short streets that do not divide the district into blocks.

Among routine work done by the council last night was the opening of bids on \$27,493.38 city improvement bonds. Out of seven bids Ladd & Bush were highest, offering a premium of \$2045.25.

The light committee reported favorably on a petition for a light at Winter and Market streets, and the ordinance committee on a bill to establish a sidewalk line on the east side of 14th street between

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NAVY HEADS OPPOSED TO ANY CHANGE

Secretary Wilbur, Rear Admiral Eberle And Others Condemn Independent Corps Scheme.

Washington, Sept. 22.—(A. P.)—Testifying before the president's air board today, Rear Admiral William A. Moffett, naval air chief said no plane of present design could cross the Atlantic and carry a 2000 pound bomb.

Washington, Sept. 22.—(A. P.)—The weight of opinion of those charged with administration of the navy was thrown today into the scales against any sweeping change in the organization of the nation's defenses.

Testifying before the president's air board, Secretary Wilbur, Rear Admiral Edward W. Eberle, chief of naval operations, and other high ranking naval officers, vigorously opposed the reorganization plan advanced by Colonel William Mitchell.

One Department Fought. Mr. Wilbur declared against a department of national defense, which are in accord with the position of the war department. Without mentioning names Rear Admiral William A. Moffett, the naval air chief, told the board he welcomed the opportunity to testify, as many erroneous and misleading statements about air service recently had been given the country. He opposed a separate air force, declaring the naval service went to sea "on the back of the fleet" and insisted that although the building plan approved by the service had not been carried out because of inadequate funds, "it is considered that our navy has progressed further in aviation than any nation of the world."

Wilbur Is Heard. Called as the first witness of the day by the board, which yesterday inquired into the policy of the war department and the army air service, Mr. Wilbur emphatically opposed creation of a department of national defense. Such a step, he declared, would be a "well nigh irreparable mistake."

"Air forces," he asserted, "form an essential part of the fabric of the navy itself and its administration and its organization like other administrative problems internal to the navy, will, if unmolested by outside forces, be solved with the same efficiency and with the same happy results as has been obtained in similar problems in the past."

The secretary likewise expressed opposition to establishment of the naval air service as a separate corps analogous to the marine corps and declared against a single air service, maintained for national defense, but not under the army or navy.

Vital Part of Navy. The navy, he said, requires its own air force as "a vital element of a naval battle," adding that an independent air service would "remove from the naval commander

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