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Capital Journal

GENERALLY CLOUDY
With moderate temperature tonight and Tuesday. Light southerly winds.
Local: Max., 70; min., 50; rain, none; river, -2.5; atmos. part cloudy; wind, northwest.

Forty-seventh Year No. 255 SALEM, OREGON, MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1925 PRICE THREE CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

SPLIT VERDICT SEEMS LIKELY

FRIARS CLUB FLOUTS ORDER OF THE BOARD

Students Suspended For Violating State School Law and Rulings of School Board.

The secret society situation at Salem high school came to the surface again this morning when it became known that members of the Friars club which the school board ordered disbanded at a meeting of the board last summer, had reorganized and were active in high school circles.

Members of the Friars organization this afternoon stated that four others, Wayne Harris, Aldon Adolph, John Scheel and Kenneth Rich, were in the same boat with the rest and would be suspended.

HILL HEIRS TO START SUIT TO BREAK WILL

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 26.—(A. P.)—The St. Paul Pioneer Press says today it has information from "reliable sources" that the legal controversy over a part of the property of the late Mrs. James J. Hill, widow of the famous "empire builder" will be started again this week in court here, by six of the nine Hill heirs.

Disposition of the \$12,000,000 Hill estate has virtually been completed in probate court here. Late last week \$900,000 was divided among the nine heirs. At that time the court assigned to each of the heirs an equal share in the "legal rights, demands and causes of action" in the estate.

GOOD EVENING WORDS and MUSIC

SECRET SINS
I can give an imitation of complete sophistication
While absorbed in contemplation of a painting on the wall;
I can raise a languid eyebrow till the most accomplished high-brow

At a literary club I can be the perfect cynic as fast as quickly as any one on earth;
I can devastate the rumor that I can be a none-tham-whom'er in my massacre of mirth.

A friend of pure English has complained to me that President Coolidge is becoming lamentably careless in the matter of split infinitives. We advise tolerance. Good talks are hard to get, and a statesman has to have something to split.

MEDFORD WINS SUIT VALIDATING CITY ASSESSMENTS

Portland, Oct. 26.—(A. P.)—United States District Judge C. E. Wolverton today decided in favor of the city of Medford in a suit of which William Staley, a property owner, attacked special assessments levied by the city for certain improvements.

Judge Wolverton decided that special levies do not come within the statute that defines the voiding of tax levies after six years of non-payment.

Pierce Issues Pardon To Blackmailer Who Escapes Any Penalty

Portland, Ore., Oct. 26.—Ernest J. Elmgren, Portland tailor, who pleaded guilty in circuit court to a charge of extortion and was sentenced to one year in jail, was granted a pardon by Governor Walter M. Pierce, it became known here today.

FRANCE ACTS TO PUT FRANC BACK ON FEET

Decline in Exchange Rate Halt By Criminal Prosecution of Speculators And Use of Loan.

Paris, Oct. 26.—(A. P.)—The drop in the franc was brought to a sharp halt today by government intervention in the market and a grave warning to speculators in the form of criminal proceedings opened by the minister of justice against unnamed parties for illicit exportation of capital.

Finance Minister Caillaux allowed the franc to reach 25 to the dollar before deciding to make use of the Morgan loan, having, according to information, around the Bourse, caught some French banks largely short of francs on foreign exchanges, principally Amsterdam.

The postment of the French cabinet crisis resulted in a sharp recovery of the franc during today's late dealings, the rate rising to 115 1/2 to the pound sterling. The franc closed comparatively steady.

CHINA ASKS FOR TARIFF AUTONOMY

Peking, China, Oct. 26.—(A. P.)—China opened the Chinese customs conference here today with a proposal that the powers restore to her complete tariff autonomy and agree to the enforcement of a Chinese national customs law beginning not later than January 1, 1929.

The demand of 2000 Chinese students to be admitted to the customs conference today resulted in a riot outside the conference building, in which more than 30 police and several students were injured.

OREGON SURVIVOR OF MEXICAN WAR PASSES

Roseburg, Ore., Oct. 26.—Robert Starkey, aged 97 years, the only survivor in Oregon of the Mexican war, died at the Oregon Soldiers Home this morning following a stroke of paralysis.

Palmto del Verde Promoter Surrenders Posts Bond of \$10,000

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 26.—W. H. O'Bryan, accused with Mrs. Ena M. Harper of defrauding a number of residents of Oregon and Washington in a colonization scheme on an island off the coast of Mexico, today surrendered to federal agents and the United States commissioner after officers had spent several days searching for him throughout southern California.

AUTO ACCIDENT ON DALLAS ROAD MAY CAUSE DEATH

A. B. Hansen, employed by the Rodgers Paper company, has lain unconscious for more than 29 hours in a local hospital as a result of injuries received when an automobile pitched into the ditch on the Salem-Dallas highway between Eola and Derry early Sunday.

Other occupants of the car were J. L. Blenkhorn, poultryman at the state hospital for the insane, and O. K. DeWitte of Salem. They escaped with light bruises.

MAN DROPS GUN, HAND SHOT OFF

Monmouth, Or., Oct. 23.—A hunting trip ended disastrously yesterday for Charles C. Powell, young businessman of Monmouth, when, as he was stepping out of his car at his home, about 6 o'clock last night, he dropped his gun.

PAPER LINING FOR BOX CARS FOR CANNED GOODS

The Cannery League of California has just been advised that the Southern Pacific railroad company and the Western Pacific Railroad company and the Sacramento-Northern railroad have agreed to furnish during the winter season—October 15, 1925, to April 15, 1926—at their expense, paper lining for box cars furnished in lieu of refrigerator cars for shipments of canned goods destined to territory requiring protective service, says the California Fruit News.

TORNADO AND SUNDAY GALE CLAIM LIVES

Seventeen Killed in Alabama Twister; North Atlantic Coast Swept By Fierce Storm.

Troy, Ala., Oct. 26.—(A. P.)—Residents of many portions of Pike, Barbour and Crenshaw counties today were endeavoring to bring order out of chaos that resulted from a tornado which claimed a known toll of 17 lives, injured many, rendered hundreds homeless and left thousands of dollars damage in its wake.

The tornado seemed to have its origin in the Crenshaw county, where it swept down with tremendous force, tearing its way across the breadth of Pike county and on eastward into Barbour, where it appears to have spent itself.

Man Drops Gun, Hand Shot Off
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STEAMER CREW RESCUED BY AMERICAN VESSEL

New York, Oct. 26.—Thirty-two members of the disabled Norwegian steamer Elven's crew were rescued in mid-ocean this afternoon by the American merchant ship American trader, the Elven was one of several vessels hit by the storm that has raked the North Atlantic during the past few days.

Youngsters To See Lloyd in "Freshman" At Oregon Wednesday

In what are youngsters from 12 years of age and under most interested right at the present time? In football, and all that goes with it, of course.

Wife No. 6



MRS. DE WOLF HOPPER. De Wolf Hopper, stage favorite and toasted as "the husband of our country," has taken Lillian Glauer, singer and widow of an Oakland, Cal., dentist, as his sixth bride.

METSCHAN TALKS OF EARLY DAYS OF WILLAMETTE

"In almost every important center you will find someone who calls Salem home," Phil Metschan, manager of the Imperial hotel in Portland, told the Salem chamber of commerce at its luncheon this noon.

GUARANTORS OF CHAUTAUQUA TO SEEK RECRUITS

Chautauqua boosters are now asking for volunteers to complete the committee of one hundred needed to make Chautauqua a perpetual summer attraction of Salem as long as the past standard of excellence shall be maintained.

FAMILIAR NAMES ON POLICE BOOK

Some familiar names appear on the police blotter today following week-end arrests for drunkenness and driving automobiles while intoxicated, and other liquor cases.

COTTON PRICE BREAKS \$6

New York, Oct. 26.—(A. P.)—Cotton prices broke \$6 a bale today on publication of the government crop estimate of 15,226,000 bales, an increase of 457,000 bales compared with the forecast on October 1. December contracts sold at low as 19.25 cents a pound and January 19.25.

LEAGUE TELLS COMBATANTS TO EVACUATE

Greece and Bulgaria Given 60 Hours To Order Troops Out of Territory Occupied.

Paris, Oct. 26.—(A. P.)—The council of the league of nations today told Greece and Bulgaria they must evacuate each other's territory.

The two Balkan states were given 24 hours in which to inform the council that they had given such orders to their troops and 60 hours to inform it whether the evacuation was actually carried out.

Foreign Minister Briand, who had recovered from his indisposition sufficiently to preside, asked both sides whether their governments had obeyed his request as president of the council, to cease hostilities and withdraw their troops behind their respective borders.

JURY UNABLE TO AGREE IN BOTH CASES

Court Is Asked Whether Verdict of Conviction In One Case Only Is Permissible.

A disagreement in the case of at least one of the defendants in the trial of Ellsworth Kelly and James Willos, convicts charged jointly with Tom Murray in the murder of Guard John Sweeney in the prison break of August 12, was strongly indicated at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon when the case had been in the hands of the jury for more than 48 hours.

At 11:20 this morning the jury, weary from its long deliberations, filed into the courtroom for further instructions. They asked to be informed if they could under the law bring in a verdict in the case of one of the defendants and report a disagreement on the other.

Presiding Judge Percy R. Kelly informed them that they could, and the jury again retired.

In Constant Deliberation
The case went to the jury at 12:14 o'clock Saturday afternoon, and except for about six hours of sleep Saturday night and less than that last night, the jurors have been in almost constant deliberation. At noon yesterday they informed Sheriff Bower that they did not desire dinner, saying that they did not feel that they deserved it. This morning they were up and at their discussions again shortly after 3 o'clock.

Judge Kelly announced this noon that he would not call the jury in to dismiss it so long as there was any chance of an agreement being reached.

Much Interest Shown
The long deliberations have thrown about the Willos-Kelly trial an interest that it did not command during the progress of the trial. Telephone calls to the newspapers and to the various offices in the court house have been almost continuous since yesterday.