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RAIN
Tonight and Tuesday, no change in temperature, south to southeast along the coast.
Local: Max., 54; min., 41; rain, .60; river, 3.7; atmoc., cloudy; wind, south.

FORTY-SEVENTH YEAR No. 303 SALEM, OREGON, MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1925 PRICE THREE CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

STATE SOAKED OR SNOWGLAD

SEEK CHANGE IN HANDLING CITY HEALTH

Proposes Abolition of Part Time Officials and Employment One Full Time Official.

A definite move to abolish the present part time offices of Salem city health officer, school physician and Marion county health officer, and establish in their place one full time health officer to have complete jurisdiction and responsibility in matters pertaining to contagious disease, became known today.

S. E. Purvine, city councilman, interviewed the Marion county court Friday afternoon, putting the matter up to the court. Members of the Salem school board and of the city council are said to lean favorably toward the proposition.

The idea as outlined involves re-organization of the county officer by all three bodies now paying health officers, the city the school board and the county court. Dr. William B. Mott, city health officer, receives \$750 annually; Dr. D. R. Rose, school physician, is paid \$500 for the school year; the annual salary of Dr. C. E. Coshaw, county health officer, is given as \$600.

The total amount now paid to the county for public health purposes, \$1850 per year, will go a long way toward paying the cost of a full time county health officer, backers of the move declare.

Dissatisfaction Shown.

The present agitation comes as a result of dissatisfaction with the present system of divided responsibility and ineffective regulations with regard to the public health situation. Smallpox has been breaking out in and near Salem regularly for several months. During the past few weeks typhoid fever, Quarantine and health officer, announced a plan in a disorganized, slipshod manner, each physician placing his own quarantine. The system here, local physicians declare, is entirely different from that in vogue in most communities. One man, it is stated, should be placed in full charge and given full responsibility.

Dr. Walter Brown, head of the Marion county child health demonstration, has been interviewed on the proposition and has declared himself willing to assist, without charge, in the inauguration of the new system, which he also states is the system used in the most up to date communities.

These backing the proposed move favor placing a physician under Dr. Brown's direction for training, with the idea that he will eventually take full charge of all city school and county health work. His salary would be shared among the city, school and county.

Danger of Epidemic.

Local physicians declare that, while the present slipshod methods of handling contagious disease might continue for years without any results more serious than those experienced here at the present time, still there is constantly being spread an epidemic might spring up and pass all bounds. Closer supervision by a health authority, and more stringent enforcement of quarantine regulations, which can be some effect only by concentrating authority into the hands of one full time physician, is the only solution to the problem, they state.

When interviewed on the question Dr. Brown stated that the same system was introduced at Mansfield, Ohio, while he was operating a health demonstration there. The system proved a success there, he states, and has been found successful in other places.

GOOD EVENING WORDS AND MUSIC

By Stoddard King
CLOSED SEASON

Of all the things that men deem fun,
By land or else by sea,
The sport of hunting with a gun
Appeals the least to me.

But do not seek to brow beat me,
Dear sentimental Jane—
The reason that I feel that way
Is not that I'm humane.

Right gladly would I slay a deer
And mount its antlered head,
If I were not obsessed by fear
That I'd be shot to dead.

I might fare forth to shoot the bear
Upon the mountainside,
But there are other hunters there
Who'd perforate my hide.

Man's inhumanity to man
Makes countless thousands weep;
Others may bag what game they can,
When friends and kindred hold my wake.

They shan't have this excuse:
"His comrades shot him by mistake—
They thought he was a moose!"

The season has arrived when the farmers can stay indoors and spend their time reading articles that solve the problems of the farmer.

When a calendar says winter will last 89 days from December 21, that settles it. And the flowers that bloom in the spring, tra-la, have nothing to do with the case.

They can enter all they want to at a college education but where would the professional football players be if it weren't for college men?

AFTER READING THE DAYS BY ORVILLE NUTT.

Some ladies sue for a divorce,
While other ladies slay—
Which only goes to prove,
That Love will find a way.
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ILLEGALITY OF DISTRICT IS ASSERTED

Clifford Declares Southeast Drainage Directors Elected Without Authority.

Charges that the new organization of the southeast Salem drainage district is invalid and that T. B. Kay, F. W. Durbin and W. H. Stueffert are directors without authority to act as directors of the district, was made by D. Clifford, 2470 Turner road, who asserts that "the order attempting to organize the district is based on a false petition and insufficient evidence."

Clifford avers that the supervisors were not legally elected on the ground that when the meeting was held there was no quorum present, and the meeting adjourned to a future date. He asserts that there being no quorum at the meeting those present had no authority to adjourn the session and that to be a legal meeting for election of supervisors, the call for the meeting should have been reannounced.

Without Foundation.

Percy A. Cupper, who was active in the affairs of organization of the district, stated today that he believes the charges are without foundation and that those meeting at the first meeting had a good and valid right to adjourn to a future date. Cupper stated there was some question at the first meeting as to whether there was a quorum present, although he believes there was one, and the adjournment was taken as a matter of safety and to assure a larger attendance. The law, he states, makes no provision for readjusting in a case of this kind and the meeting took the only reasonable action it could take under the circumstances.

Mr. Clifford has the following to say on the subject:

"In regard to the so-called Salem drainage district, drainage in name only, that the pretended supervisors have attempted to organize, and I notice also, in the same connection, reference made to a more characteristic phrase that was used to deceive the people into the belief that the proper way, and the only way to effectually kill and dispose of the whole matter, was to elect the prince of quitters as supervisor. I challenge the legality of the order attempting to organize the district, as based on a false petition and insufficient evidence."

Challenge Authority.

"And I further challenge the authority of Kay, Durbin & Stueffert to act as supervisors, they were not legally elected, neither within the 30-day period within which the law requires the election to be held, nor at election that was called by the county clerk, and for them to attempt to act would be attempting to perjure an officer. The county clerk attempted to comply with the provisions of the act by advertising a meeting, and even changed the date and advertised again at the request of one of the promoters, but there was not a quorum present at the meeting, thereby showing how the people felt about the matter, and when that meeting attempted to adjourn to a date later than the next business day it was dead, and the only way that a meeting could be legal-

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Seriously Ill



Queen Mother of Italy

Grave concern is felt for the Queen Mother Margherita of Italy, gravely ill from influenza at Rome, running a high temperature, her condition requires the constant presence of physicians and nurses.

BOY SCOUTS HEAR SPEECH BY COOLIDGE

Sermon On Value Of Unselfishness, Obedience Self-Control And Doing Things Well.

Washington, Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—President Coolidge, in a Christmas greeting today to boys and girls of the nation, pointed to the value of unselfishness, obedience and self-control.

The greeting, addressed "to the Boy Scouts, the Lone Scouts and the Four-H club:

"As you are representatives of the organizations and boys and girls of America, who live in or interested in the open country with which I come into an official relation," he said, "I want to extend to all of you a Christmas greeting. It seems a very short time ago that I was a boy and in the night of farm life myself helping to do the chores at the farm, working in the corn and potato fields, getting in the hay and in the spring time what most of you have never had an opportunity to see—making maple sugar."

No Chance Himself.

"I did not have any chance to profit by joining a scout organization or a 4-H club. That chance ought to be a great help to the boys and girls of the present day. It brings them into association with each other in a way where they learn to think not only for themselves, but of other people. It teaches and gives them self-control."

"A very wise man gave us this motto, 'Do the duty that lies nearest you.' It seems to me that this is the plan of all our organizations. We need never fear that we shall not be called on to do great things in the future if we do small things well at present. It is the boys and girls who work hard at home who are sure to make the best record when they go away from home. It is the boys and girls who stand well up towards the head of the class at school that will be called on to hold the important places in political and business life when they go out into the world."

Art of Well Doing.

"There is a time for play as well as a time for work. But even in play it is possible to cultivate the art of well doing. Games are useful to train the eye, the hand and the muscles, and bring the body more completely under the control of the mind. When this is done, play becomes a means of education."

"It is in all these ways that boys and girls are learning to be men and women, to be respectful to their parents, to be patriotic to their country, to be reverent to God. It is because of the great chance that American boys and girls have in all these directions that to them more than to others should be given the best of the youth of any other country. These should be a better Christmas."

142 CHILDREN NEED HELP

Fund Is Far Short of Goal CLOTHING MUCH NEEDED

Close check of the needy children and the finances available to the Christmas Cheer Movement of the Capital Journal and the Salem Lodge of Elks made this morning reveals that the committee has less than a dollar with which to provide Christmas cheer and comfort for each of the kiddies whom Santa will otherwise forget.

Yesterday a group of volunteers from the Elks, under the direction of Fred Erickson, chairman of the committee, checked up and reported on every case of need and distress that has been brought to the attention of the Christmas Cheer Movement.

There are today 142 boys and girls in 35 families in and near the city, which investigation revealed needed Christmas help, that must yet be cared for. These in addition to the scores or more of children for whom provision has already been made.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon donations to the Christmas Cheer fund stood at \$163.85, and more than \$50 of this has already been expended on emergency cases. Out of the unexpended balance must be purchased the food, clothing, toys, candy and nuts, and the other little Christmas incidentals.

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Capital Journal	\$ 25.00
Salem Ad Club	5.00
Madison Park Court	10.00
Realty Association	10.00
A Friend	5.00
Unknown	3.00
Contributor	1.00
Henry Jaquet	5.00
A Friend	10.00
Stenographer	5.00
Henry Lee	5.00
A Friend	5.00
Helper	2.50
A Rotarian	2.50
A Friend	1.00
Mrs. Fanny Tracy	3.00
Bonus Commission	5.75
Employees	5.00
Steady School	5.00
Otto Klett	5.00
Salesman	5.00
A Business Firm	5.00
A Father	5.00
Christmas Cheer Box	6.00
Helper	7.00
A Friend	2.00
Another Friend	2.00
Friend	3.00
Peterson	1.50
Trade Street Store	5.00
Andrew Klett	5.00
M. Poulson	1.00
Total	\$163.85

RAIN IN WEST SNOW IN EAST GALE ON SEA

Willamette Valley Drenched, Eastern Oregon White; Highways Blocked By Slides.

The level of the Willamette river rose 9 of a foot between 7 o'clock this morning and noon here today, reaching a point 4.5 feet above normal at noon. The level is the highest since March 3. During the three-day period ending at 7 o'clock this morning, 1.44 inches of rain has fallen here. Six-tenths of an inch fell between 6 a. m. Sunday and 7 a. m. today. Rain during the forenoon today was light. Predictions are for continued rain. A chinook wind and balmy air is mixing with the little snow in the mountains.

Portland, Or., Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—The heaviest rainstorm in four years visited Portland and vicinity yesterday, the weather bureau recording a precipitation of 2.77 inches for the last 24 hours. Today the sky is overcast and more rain is predicted.

Light at Eugene.

Eugene, Or., Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—But 12 of an inch of rainfall fell here yesterday, and mistle and Christmas tree seelers were practically untroubled by the weather throughout the day.

Though it is cloudy this morning, the rain is still holding back.

Medford, Or., Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—The rainfall for the last 48 hours totals .35 of an inch for this section, with predictions for more and probable snow in the vicinity country. The rain for the month is below the average.

Snow in Eastern Oregon.

The Dallas, Or., Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—Beginning Sunday morning the first snow of the season, covering a depth of four and a half inches, fell in The Dalles and vicinity. Moderate weather prevails today with a maximum temperature of 40 degrees and a minimum of 21.

Due to the storm electric lights in the city were off from 9 o'clock last night until 3 this morning. Crows of the local fire company were on duty all night endeavoring to discover the defects which lay between The Dalles and Hood River and Waite Salmon.

Le Grande, Or., Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—Seven inches of snow fell here last night practically asuring Union county of a white Christmas.

Klamath Falls, Or., Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—Fog covered this city today, with streets covered with ice following a wet snow which fell Sunday. A snowfall of about one foot is reported in mountain districts near here.

Baker, Or., Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—Six inches of snow fell here last night. This is the heaviest fall of the winter. The weather today is mild.

Columbia Highway Blocked.

Asoria, Or., Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—The Columbia river highway is blocked a mile east of Astoria by a slide brought down by the torrential rains which fell in this section yesterday and last night. It is estimated that there are five thousand cubic yards of dirt on the pavement.

A crew of men worked throughout the night clearing away the dirt and expected to have the highway open to traffic by noon today.

The southeasterly storm which swept the coast over the week-end was lessened by the heavy rainfall rather than by the velocity of the wind. The weather station at North Head at 9 o'clock this morning reported that the maximum velocity of the wind was 55 miles an hour. The sea is only moderately rough. The precipitation during the last 24 hours was recorded at the station as 3.26 inches. This is the heaviest precipitation on record for any 24 hours since the North Head station was established.

YOUNG AUTO THIEVES CAUGHT

Leland Franklin, 13 years old, and Cecil Jackson, 14, both of Salem, are in the hands of the county juvenile officer on a charge of stealing a Ford automobile belonging to Frank Sainfelle of route 2. They were arrested on Mission street Saturday night by Officers Edwards and Wright after having driven the car to Newport on an outing and again returned to Salem. Some action relative to the two boys will probably be taken by the authorities today.

Another youth picked up by the same officers Saturday night was Louis Anthony Harvey, 13 1/2 years old, who has confessed to the recent theft of two automobiles in Salem. One was stolen from M. Dearing on December 5, while the car was parked on Ferry street, and the other from A. V. Myers December 10 while the car was parked near the paper mill.

Young Franklin and young Jackson gave the officers the name of a junior high school boy whom they said was writing and passing hand checks on Salem business houses. The officers investigated this morning but found that the boy has money in the bank and all of 178 checks were good.

ASTORIA WOMAN KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Astoria, Ore., Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—Mrs. Rudolph Basil of Astoria was instantly killed this morning when the automobile driven by her husband went over an embankment near here. Basil received two rib fractures and other injuries.

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DIRIGIBLES NOT NAVY MONOPOLY SAYS MITCHELL

Washington, Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—Heedless of the advice of his counsel, Colonel William Mitchell appeared as a witness today before the naval court inquiring into the Shenandoah disaster.

Asked whether the navy and not the army was not "charged with development of rigid airships" Colonel Mitchell replied: "The intent never has been to give the whole development to the navy as it contended. The whole business has been in no way satisfactory to the country. The fact remains that after seven years we have no rigid airship in military operation."

Major Leonard asked about Colonel Mitchell's charge that the Shenandoah was "about 50 per cent overweight."

"The ship's limited cruising radius, the colonel replied, led him to believe that the Shenandoah was 50 per cent reduced in its ability to stay in the air and should not have been sent on long flights."

"I had a sneaking suspicion that she was fifty per cent overweight," said the witness.

"On a 'sneaking suspicion,' then you were willing to alarm the country?" asked Major Leonard.

"Yes, and I want to say right here that the question of aviation is a public question and discussion of it is not confined to the army and navy."

GRABENHORST HEADS CHAMBER

George H. Grabenhorst was elected president of the Salem chamber of commerce at today's election. He succeeds T. M. Hicks who has held the position during the year 1925. Other officers chosen were as follows:

Vice president, W. E. Burns; secretary, U. S. Page; treasurer, R. G. Holt; social department, U. G. Hilt; agricultural department, George Vick; legislative department, Dr. E. E. Fisher; industrial department, Fred Erickson; Otto Hartman and James Nicholson tied for head of the civic department. Their names will be balloted on again at the meeting of the chamber of commerce next week.

Installation will take place in January. All terms continue through the year 1926.

YEARLY CLOSURE LUMBER MILLS NOW UNDERWAY

The annual shut-down of the Charles K. Spaulding Lumber company's Salem mills will begin the evening of December 24 and continue until the morning of January 4, the company's offices announced here today. The period of the shut-down will be devoted to repairs to machinery and various odd jobs about the yards.

Portland, Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—The holiday suspension of the fir lumber industry started in earnest over the week-end when several large sawmills were closed, according to the Four L office here. A large number of companies have announced that they will resume cutting January 4. Practically all mills and camps will be closed down by Dec. 24 to 28.

Many mills which at this time will be closed only for the week-end will later be shut down for repair and overhauling and the shut-down for the lumber industry as a whole will amount to a suspension of two weeks.

HONEYMOON OF EX-CONVICT ENDS IN JAIL

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—Donald Kelly, alias Ernest Young and L. O. Gillian, alias Jack Raymond are being held in jail here on charges of attempted robbery. Both are ex-convicts, according to police records.

Kelly was released from Oregon state penitentiary on a conditional pardon last July. Gillian was convicted of robbery here in 1922, and was released on two years probation. Both men said they had been working in Oregon before coming to Oakland where they were arrested.

Kelly's wife, Grace, step-daughter of A. W. Stenn of Medford, Or., is being cared for at a detention home. She married Kelly at Medford December 7.

Lena, Gillian's wife, is being housed by the Salvation army until she can find employment. Both women declared their intention of standing by their husbands.

Medford, Or., Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—The records of the county clerk show that a marriage license was issued on December 7 to Donald Kelly to wed Grace Severe, and L. O. Gillian appeared as a witness. The couple, the marriage return shows, were married by the Rev. E. P. Lawrence, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, at the parsonage the same day.

Records at the Oregon penitentiary show that Kelly was received here November 22, 1924, to serve a sentence of five years for assault with intent to commit robbery in Multnomah county.

NECANIGUM OVERFLOWS ROOSEVELT HIGHWAY

Seaside, Or., Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—Overflowing its banks south of here the Necanicum river yesterday covered the Roosevelt highway, making travel impossible. It will probably be several days before the highway is again opened for travel although the waters have receded logs are scattered about on the highway for a distance of a mile or more.

RABBI WISE ON CHRISTIANITY

New York, Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—Accepting Jesus of Nazareth, "not as a myth but as a man," Rabbi Stephen S. Wise of the Free Synagogue, believes that the doctrines of the Nazarene are basically those taught by the Jewish elders.

"Christianity is impractical and unattainable as the Jews feel it. Dr. Wise told a congregation in Carnegie hall yesterday. It is because Christians have failed to live up to its teachings, he contended, that the doctrine of the Nazarene, formed in the history of morality."

"Jesus was," said Rabbi Wise, "I accept this despite the notion I had been led to believe earlier in my life—a notion that Jesus was a myth and never existed. I tell you and I will repeat these words to every Jew in the world if need be: Jesus was and we must accept this fact at once."

Coshow Says America Excels World in Law Making and Breaking

"We excel the world in law making and law breaking," Judge O. P. Coshow, of the Oregon state supreme court, declared in an address before the Salem chamber of commerce here this noon. "Our laws have become so numerous dealing with man and beast in every possible situation, that the average citizen has given up hope of obeying them all, and obeys only those which meet with his personal approval. The practice, Judge Coshow declared, is extremely dangerous in any government."

"If a law is bad," he said, "it ought to be repealed by enforcement, not by non-observance."

Comparing the system of law enforcement used in this country with that in England, the speaker stated "in England punishment for crime is meted out with the idea of deterring the public from committing the crime. In this country the sole system, with their muddled sentiment, have some to wield such an influence that the purpose of 'punishment' is to reform the criminal and let the public be damned."

"We may well learn some court practices from England. America excels the world in many things, but we have no monopoly on legislation in this country, the judge said."

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McNARY INTRODUCES COOPERATIVE MEASURE

Washington, Dec. 21.—(A.P.)—The administration cooperative marketing bill was introduced in the house today by Chairman Haugen of the agricultural committee.

The cooperative marketing bill was introduced in the senate by Senator McNary, republican, Oregon, and at the same time he reintroduced the McNary-Haugen bill to provide for creation of a farmers' export cooperative for disposition of agricultural surplus. This idea has been opposed by the administration.

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