

## Four Speakers Listed for Legion State Convention

Four feature speakers will appear during the Oregon state American Legion convention next week. All principal talks are slated for Thursday.

At a joint assembly in the Elsinore theater Thursday morning messages will be given by Governor Douglas McKay; Frank L. Belgrano, past national commander and now president of the First National Bank of Portland; and Laura Gooden, national president of the Legion auxiliary.

## Storm Kills Three Persons

Milwaukee, July 28 (AP)—A violent electrical storm ripped at eastern Wisconsin last night, killing three persons in Milwaukee and leaving numerous automobiles stranded in deep pools of water.

The three, members of one family, were electrocuted when they stepped out of their auto into a puddle of water charged by a fallen high tension wire. They were Anton Stankiewicz, 24; his sister, Virginia, 21, and their mother, Mrs. Kathryn Stankiewicz, 59.

Two inches of rain flooded basements at Green Bay and Sheboygan within an hour of the time the downpour started. Lightning and wind tore down telephone and electric wires in both cities and fallen wires forced closing a number of streets.

In Milwaukee, local floods and other damage were reported by hundreds of persons to police and newspapers. In some sections of the city, water was reported standing more than four feet deep in the streets.

## Northwest Rich In Nonferrous Metals

Corvallis, July 28 (AP)—The nonferrous metal reserves of the Pacific northwest are among the richest of the world, a regional resources conference was told here yesterday.

S. M. Lorain, chief of the Albany, Ore., U. S. bureau of mines laboratory, said much of the minerals are low grade and not presently competitive with deposits elsewhere. This may change when the presently worked ores are depleted, he said.

Lorain said the region's coal resources were also great, but non-competitive with hydroelectric power as fuel because of mining costs and long hauls from veins to consumer.

## Nick Frank Learns Of Brother's Death

Silverton—The Nick Frank family of 715 Pine street had word of the accidental death Monday in a car collision of an older brother of Frank, Theodore Frank, whose home is in Anthon, Iowa.

The local relatives will not be able to make the trip to the middle west at this time to attend final services. The Franks came to Silverton recently to make their home.

## Gates Superintendent

Portland, July 28 (AP)—The Evangelical United Brethren church conference of Oregon has reelected Dr. C. P. Gates, Portland, as conference superintendent.



## REPLIES TO CARDINAL SPELLMAN

### Mrs. Roosevelt Denies Any Bias Against Catholics

Hyde Park, N. Y. (AP)—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, denying any "bias against the Roman Catholic church," said she would "continue to stand for the things in our government which I think are right."

She made the statements in a letter to Francis Cardinal Spellman who assailed her last Friday in a letter for a "record of anticatholicism . . . unworthy of an American mother."

"I assure you," wrote Mrs. Roosevelt, "that I have no sense of being an 'unworthy American mother.' The final judgment, my dear Cardinal Spellman, of the worthiness of all human beings is in the hands of God."

The controversy stemmed from Mrs. Roosevelt's opposition to federal aid to parochial schools. Cardinal Spellman said Mrs. Roosevelt aligned herself with backers of the Barden bill in her June 23 column and two others.

The Barden bill would permit federal aid only to public

schools. Mrs. Roosevelt mentioned Cardinal Spellman's opposition to the Barden bill in her column.

Mrs. Roosevelt wrote the cardinal: "I have no bias against the Roman Catholic church."

She added: "I have no intention of attacking you personally, nor of attacking the Roman Catholic church, but I shall, of course, continue to stand for the things in our government which I think are right."

"They may lead me to be in opposition to you and to other groups within our country, but I shall always act, as far as I am able, from real conviction and from honest belief."

In her reply Mrs. Roosevelt declared, "I have never advo-

ated the Barden bill nor any other specific bill on education now before the congress. I believe, however, in federal aid to education."

The Barden bill is a substitute for a measure already passed by the senate which would allow the states to use the federal funds for parochial and private schools if they so desired.

The Cardinal's attack on Mrs. Roosevelt brought her support from such persons as former New York state governor Herbert H. Lehman, Bernard Baruch and the Rt. Rev. Charles K. Gilbert, protestant Episcopal bishop of New York.

Meanwhile, a new move started in congress to rescue federal aid to education from the religious controversy now surrounding it. Rep. Morton (R., Ky.) said he is drafting a bill based on the principle of state needs.

It would omit restrictions on parochial school assistance which have been denounced by Roman Catholic churchmen.

The U. S. Census of Business, currently being conducted nationwide, will cost about \$13 million.

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## \$15,000 Yearly Paid for Flags

Washington, July 28 (AP)—The Star Spangled Banner — long may she wave.

That's the goal of a research project undertaken by the public buildings administration, which buys flags for more than 1500 buildings at a cost of about \$15,000 a year.

The average cotton-and-wool bunting flag lasts 27 days. Buildings Commissioner W. E. Reynolds told reporters. The flags fade and tear more quickly in winter than in summer, and some areas are harder on flags than others. On buildings in the windy, foggy San Francisco bay area, for example, at least one

new flag must be installed every day, Reynolds said.

Flag testers will work with many different materials, with plastic lacquers and chemical processes, and with various types of stitching.

Last winter, for the first time, a nylon flag was tested. It was flown from the new interior building for 76 days, a record for that season.

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The U. S. Census Bureau was established as a permanent office in 1902.

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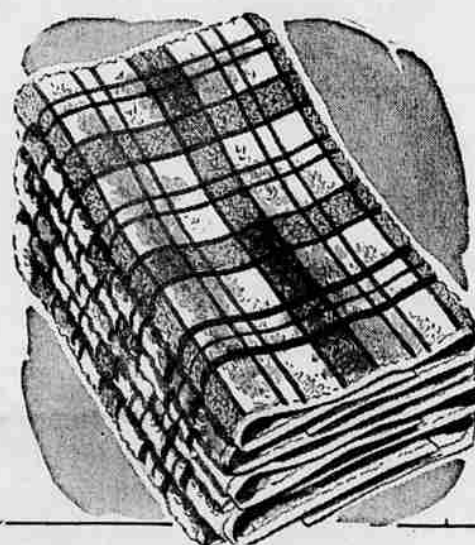
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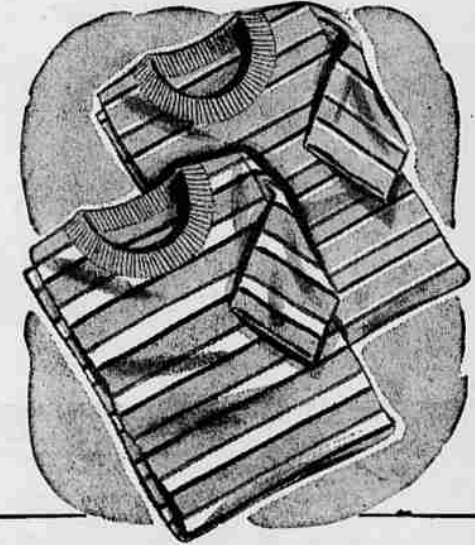
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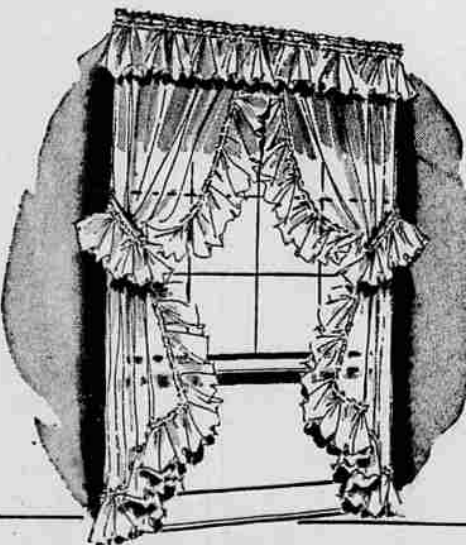
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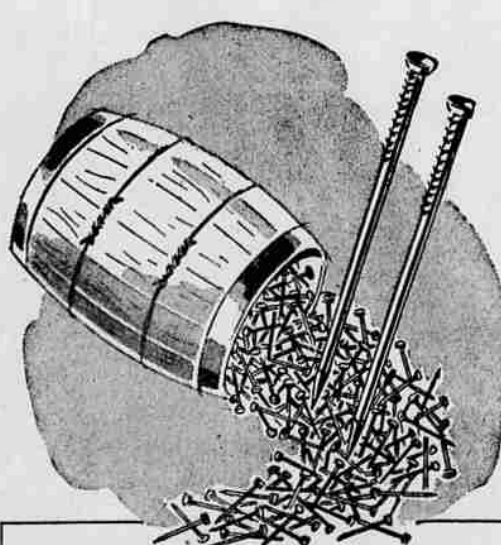
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