

WORD OF CHEER RESTORES HOPES FOR ASTORIANS

HARDING REGARDS \$3,000,000 AID WITH FAVORABLE ATTITUDE

OREGON WILL ASSIST IN BUILDING HIGHWAY

Re-Building of Commercial Street Eliminated; Contents of Many Safes Found to be Destroyed; Reconstruction Work Under Way.

ASTORIA, Dec. 14.—Cheering news has brought new hopes to Astorians. Senator McNary has introduced a bill asking an appropriation of \$3,000,000 for relief work here. Reports indicate that President Harding is very receptive and has recommended that the bill be passed.

The state highway commission has voted to build a highway through Astoria, if representatives and senators will promise their support for the legislation in January. This will save the rebuilding of Commercial street.

Construction of the Tongue Point naval base will be begun February 1, according to word received from Senator McNary. Thousands of men will be employed.

Work of opening safes is now well under way, the contents of many have been destroyed by the fierce heat. Coins and papers have been reduced to heaps of molten metal and piles of ashes. The safe of the Masonic lodge containing records and affairs of men who came here in 1847, is a complete loss. The records were among the oldest of the lodge in the west, and included pictures and signatures that had been kept for decades.

Erection of special knock-down types of buildings has begun, and the sound of the hammer and the saw can be heard from every side. Commercial agents have flocked into the city and are busy booking orders. The main problem confronting the city at present is that of handling the traffic. With aid promised from the state, it is thought this will soon be remedied.

QUAKER CITY QUIET FOR FIVE MINUTES

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—John Wanamaker was buried today. As a mark of respect, the entire city was silent for five minutes.

600 CHILDREN SAVED FROM NEWBERG FIRE

NEWBERG, Or., Dec. 14.—More than 600 school children marched in orderly fashion from a grade school building here Wednesday as flames from a defective flue threatened to destroy the structure. Firemen subdued the blaze and the children marched back again.

WILL WRITTEN ON MEAT MARKET PAD IS VALID

ELIZABETH, N. J., Dec. 14.—Samuel Kirshen, a tailor, was taken violently ill some time ago in a local butcher shop. He dictated the terms of his will to the butcher who took it down in his order book. Surgeon Coddington has decided the will is valid.

Drive Here in Fine Car—

W. H. Goodwin, branch manager of the Ford Motor Car company at Portland; J. D. Jordan, assistant manager at Portland; C. A. Lockwood, manager of the Ford company at Roseburg, and C. A. Weintraut, manager of the Grants Pass branch, were in the city today in one of the new Lincoln touring cars. This car is one of the best looking cars on the market and is being taken over the state to the various Ford agencies.

Sciò—Six school districts in the Jordan country, with an assessed valuation of \$583,000, are to be consolidated.

HIS SERMONS OFFEND



Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of New York, is to be summoned before the Presbyterian general assembly in Indianapolis next May and compelled either to accept the tenets of the Presbyterian church or to resign his pulpit. So says Rev. Dr. L. S. Mudge, stated clerk of the assembly. Dr. Fosdick was formerly pastor of a Baptist church and his preaching is said not to conform to the Presbyterian confession of faith.

BLIZZARD STRIKES PORTLAND; ENTIRE COUNTRY HAS SNOW

PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—A blizzard is raging here. Snow started early this morning and fell continuously, reaching a depth of five inches at noon. Street car and auto traffic are in danger of being paralyzed. A driving east wind is piling up the drifts.

The Columbia river at Vancouver, Wash., is reported to be filled with ice floes, which are menacing steamers. The temperature is 19 degrees above zero.

There is also snow in New York and Chicago, and all through Oregon and Washington.

FUTURE FOR OREGON HOPS HAS DISMAL OUTLOOK

SALEM, Or., Dec. 14.—The future of the hop industry in Oregon is not bright, and there will be no increase in the acreage next year, according to Frank W. Durbin, one of the leading hop buyers of the Willamette valley.

Many of the growers made a slight profit from their hops this year, Mr. Durbin said tonight, but with the expiration of the existing contracts market conditions will be unsettled. Local warehouses now are well filled with hops and there is little demand for the product. Similar conditions prevail in England and other hop-producing countries, Mr. Durbin declared.

Band Interest to Cease—

In view of the fact that interest ceases on December 15, 1922, on the 4 1/2 per cent Victory Liberty Loan notes (bearing the distinguishing letters A, B, C, D, E, or F, prefixed to their serial number) called by the treasury department for redemption on that date, the public is asked to aid in these redemptions, according to information furnished by the Federal Reserve bank of San Francisco. After this date, no more interest will accrue on these called notes and owners should therefore lose no time in presenting their notes for redemption. Owners can also exchange these Victory notes for the new issue of 4 1/2 per cent treasury notes, series C-1925, dated December 15, 1922, and maturing June 15, 1925; or they can convert the redemption proceeds of their Victory notes into the 1923 series of five-year treasury savings certificates, issued in denominations of \$25, \$100 and \$1000.

Leave for Home—

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dunlap and baby were taken to Eagle Point, Wednesday evening by L. G. Fitzwater. The Dunlaps live at Trail and expected to make the rest of their trip home today.

TEXAS TRAINS COME TOGETHER KILLING 14 MEN

SEVERAL COOKED TO DEATH BY STEAM ESCAPING FROM WRECK

MAJORITY OF INJURIES SUSTAINED BY NEGROES

Passengers in First Two Coaches Contributed Heavily to Casualties; Those in Pullmans Are Badly Shaken; Panic Follows Collision.

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 14.—Five deaths in a hospital this morning, brings the death total to 14, as a result of a crash between a Houston, East and West Texas passenger train and a switch engine at Humble, a nearby oil town. Conductor William Campy, M. Young, company agent, an unidentified white man and six negroes were cooked to death by steam. Approximately 34 other negroes were scalded, five so seriously that they died.

None of the passengers in the Pullman cars were killed, although they were badly shaken up. All the dead and injured were in the first and second coaches of the train. A panic followed the crash in the negro coach.

FARMER REFUSES TO GIVE BOND; IN JAIL

ROSEBURG, Dec. 14.—O. H. Castle, who resides a few miles south of Roseburg, was arrested Tuesday, charged with assault with a deadly weapon. Castle is alleged to have drawn a revolver and ordered H. L. Eppstein and A. L. Aiken off his land when they were endeavoring to make a road survey through his property. Upon appearing in justice court, Castle was bound over to the grand jury and bonds were fixed at \$1000. Castle declared he "would rot in jail" before he would furnish bond.

ROBBINS IS NAMED TO REPLACE BRIGGS

J. H. Robbins has been chosen to take the place of A. C. Briggs as manager of the Ashland Fruit and Produce association, effective the first of the coming year. Mr. Briggs handed his resignation in at a meeting of the directors of the association several weeks ago to take effect January 1, and since that time, the directors have been busily engaged in an effort to get a suitable manager to take charge when Mr. Briggs leaves.

Mr. Robbins has been living on a ranch in the valley for the past year and has made quite a number of friends by his pleasing manner, and it is thought he will be able to build the local association to an even higher level by his remarkable personality.

In taking over the management of the association, Mr. Robbins steps into a place with which he is familiar, for he had charge of the Northwest Fruit Distributing association at Spokane, Wash., for three years. He was compelled to give up that position on account of his health. He finds he is benefitted by the climate here, and takes the management of the local organization at a salary far under what he received at Spokane, in order to be able to live where he may enjoy better health.

O. A. C. STUDENTS BUSY TAKING FINAL EXAMS

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Dec. 14.—Final examinations and the Christmas holidays are uppermost in the minds of students. Examinations began this noon, and will continue until Saturday noon. College will then take a recess until January 2, when registration for the winter term opens.

Many students from California, Idaho and eastern Washington are planning to stay in Corvallis during the holidays. Mary's peak will be the mecca of numerous hiking parties, as a new mantle of snow on the crest has beckoned to outdoor lovers.

COMING EVENTS

- Eleven Days Until Xmas.
- December 15—Musical social of Presbyterian church.
- December 16—Bazaar and food sale, Christian church.
- December 16—Stewart Long, lecturer, Lyceum course.
- December 18-19—U. S. navy recruiting officer here.
- December 19—Meeting of Civic club.
- December 25, Monday—Christmas Day.
- December 25—Christmas ball benefit 484th company, Army.

MANY VARIETIES OF APPLES DISPLAYED DURING EXPOSITION

Eighteen different varieties of apples were shown during the Winter Fair. Sweepstakes for the best exhibit of fruit and nuts from one orchard were awarded to Albert Johnson, with J. A. Gear second.

Following are the awards in the horticultural department:

Single Box Displays
Newtowns—A. Johnson, first; D. A. Owens, second.
Delicious—A. Johnson, first; T. S. Wiley, second.

Golden Delicious—A. Johnson, first.
Bellefleur—A. Johnson, first.
Winter Banana—A. Johnson, first; J. A. Gear, second.

Shannon Pippin—A. Johnson, first.
King David—A. Johnson, first.
Spitzenburg—A. Johnson, first; T. S. Wiley, second.

Swaar—A. Johnson, first.
Baldwin—W. H. Kneebone, first; F. E. French, second.

Blue Pearmain—J. A. Gear, first.
Grimes Golden—J. A. Gear, first.
White Permain—D. A. Owens, first; J. A. Gear, second.

Willow Twig—J. A. Gear, first.
Lawyer—J. A. Gear, first.
Johnathan—J. A. Gear, first.

Arkansas Black—J. A. Gear, first.
Gano—J. A. Gear, first.

Plate Display
Newtowns—T. S. Wiley, first; A. H. Davenport, second.
Delicious—A. Johnson, first; Mrs. Mary E. Glenn, second.
Golden Delicious—A. H. Johnson, first.

Bellefleur—A. H. Johnson, first.
Winter Banana—A. H. Johnson, first; T. S. Wiley, second.
Spitzenburg—J. A. Gear, first.
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Pears
Winter Bartlett—A. H. Davenport, first.
Winter Nellis—J. S. Dale, first.
Tokay grapes—C. A. Brown, first; J. W. Pellett, second.

Walnuts—Foss Cramer, first.
Almonds—Foss Cramer, first.
Creamery butter—Ashland Creamery, first.

Best exhibit nuts from one orchard—J. A. Gear.

AMBULANCE FUND CONTINUES TO GAIN

Contributions to date, money deposited to the Ambulance Fund, are: Ashland Daily Tidings \$100
Jesse Winburn 100
Dr. George Jarvis 100
Dr. Wood 100
J. P. Dodge & Sons 100
G. S. Butler 100
Dr. Swendenburg 100
H. G. Enders & Son 100
Bert Moses 50
O. A. Paulserud 25
C. L. Loomis 15
W. S. DePeau 1

Other contributors declared, but not yet paid, are: Mrs. Eugenia Atkinson, \$25; the Murphy Electric Co., \$25; and Ashland Elks lodge, \$44, \$50; H. A. Stearns, \$5.

STIR CREATED IN FRENCH BODY BY CLEMENCEAU

CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES GETS WIRELESS FROM "TIGER" ON OCEAN

AMERICA'S FRIENDSHIP VITAL SAYS FRENCHMAN

Premier Urges Ratification of Washington Peace Treaty by Native Land; Reply to Message by Poincaré Is Expected Tomorrow.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—Clemenceau, on his way home from America, has made his political influence felt by wireless. In an interview sent by the correspondent on the vessel, he created a sensation in the chamber of deputies.

Clemenceau, who opposes the occupation of the Ruhr valley by France, urges the ratification of the Washington conference treaty by France and approves the proposal to have President Harding arbitrate Anglo-French difficulties.

He warned France to make costly sacrifices in order to retain American friendship.

Premier Poincaré is expected to reply tomorrow.

APPLES BEING PACKED SPECIALLY FOR EXPORT

Over 2000 boxes of Newton apples are being prepared at the Fruit and Produce association for export shipment. They will leave Ashland the first of the week.

All apples for export must be bound with metal strips about each end, and two men are working this week placing these strips on all the boxes.

The fruit will be shipped to Portland, where they will be loaded on board a vessel that will take them direct to Liverpool or London, Eng.

EDITORS OF STATE TO MEET IN MARCH

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Dates for the annual Oregon Newspaper conference, which is held each year under the auspices of the Oregon school of journalism at Eugene, have been fixed for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 22, 23 and 24. The conference dates were agreed upon by Lee Drake, president of the conference; Elbert Bede, president of the State Editorial association; Hal E. Hoss, association secretary, and Dean Eric W. Allen, of the Oregon school of journalism.

The conference will be held in the new journalism building on the University campus. The structure will be completed early in March. It will be formally dedicated on the occasion of the gathering of the state editors. Publishers, editors and writers connected with trade and class publications in Oregon will have a meeting on the campus coincidentally with the session of daily and weekly newspaper men.

It is customary for the members of the Associated Press, the clients of the United Press, the members of the Newspaper Publishers Syndicate and the executive committee of the State Editorial association to hold meetings at the conference. It is confidently expected that the three days' meeting will be the largest in the history of the conference.

TWO QUAKE SHOCKS DISTURB HELIX, OR.

HELIX, Or., Dec. 14.—Two distinct earthquake shocks were felt here Monday night and one Tuesday morning about 10 o'clock. Buildings were shaken perceptibly. The noise accompanying the shocks sounded like the dull thud of a heavy falling object and many ran to their doors, believing that some accident had occurred nearby.

FOSTER, Or.—A survey has been started for a proposed electric logging railroad up the South Santiam river to White City.

MAKES RIOTERS WEEP



Before you start a riot, examine the above photograph. Capt. L. M. McBride is showing the new tear gas gun with which Washington police will be equipped for riot squad duty. The gun has two cylinders and a nozzle. Compressed air in one cylinder draws tear gas from the other and throws a stream through the nozzle. The stream breaks up into a fine mist, and if it ever reaches you, you are going to cry and cry hard, no matter how stony your heart may be. The gun weighs seven pounds.

CHARGES FEATURE DAUGHERTY TRIAL FOR IMPEACHMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Charges that congressional members who criticized Attorney General Daugherty were "shadowed" by department of justice agents, featured the resumption of the impeachment hearing before the house judiciary committee.

Jackson Ralston, attorney of the American Federation of Labor, prosecuting the impeachment charges in behalf of Oscar Keller, Minnesota, announced, made the charges.

Paul Rowland, attorney for Daugherty, denies all charges. He says if proof exists it will bring voluntarily everything on the subject into the trial.

GRANTS PASS LADIES HERE FOR MISSIONARY MEETING

Mrs. M. R. Britten and Mrs. Roy Hackett motored up from Grants Pass to attend the missionary meeting held yesterday afternoon in the Baptist church. Mrs. Beswick had charge of the services, which were opened by devotional exercises and a short business session. Then Mrs. Britten, who is district secretary of the Columbia River Missionary society delivered the address. She spoke of the work laid out by the convention board, and the progress of the northern Baptists in general, and gave many helpful hints to the society.

"He Hideth My Soul" was rendered as a solo, by Mrs. Hackett in a most pleasing manner. A substantial luncheon was served in the basement of the building, a goodly number of the ladies of the church and congregation being present. The Grants Pass ladies returned the same evening.

SALEM YOUTH SUICIDES AFTER LEAVING SWEETHEART

SALEM, Dec. 14.—Wyndham Buren, 22, son of Max O. Buren, prominent Salem business man, committed suicide by shooting himself with a .38 caliber revolver late Tuesday night. The bullet entered just below the chin, ranging upward and emerging just above the right eye. Young Buren had escorted Miss Edna Howd, with whom he had been keeping company, to her home on Centre street, about 10 o'clock. According to Miss Howd, she had just left Buren and was entering her home, when a shot rang out and she turned to see her escort stagger and fall. She ran to him and found him dead.

Salem has adopted a \$212,489.96 budget for 1923.

CHECK KLANISM IS CRY SOUNDED BY GOVERNORS

INVISIBLE GOVERNMENT DENOUNCED AT CONFERENCE OF EXECUTIVES

WAR OF RELIGIONS IS PREDICTED BY OLCOTT

Oregonian Urges Drastic Steps to Smash Its Power; Pennsylvanian Says America No Place for Such An Organization.

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W. Va., Dec. 14.—United action in all states of the Union to destroy the Ku Klux Klan was launched at the annual governors' conference in session here. Registration of all members of all secret societies by the department of justice was the method proposed by Governor Parker, of Louisiana.

Governor Olcott, of Oregon, announced he would recommend a program for a "uniform law," supplemented by a federal law, to deal with the Klan. He also warned that "a religious war was at hand unless immediate and drastic steps were taken to check the spread of the Klan and to smash its power."

Governor Sproule, of Pennsylvania, says he favored action to curb the Klan on the grounds that America was no place for an invisible government.

MANY SEALS ARE SOLD BY CITY SCHOOL PUPILS

The school children of Ashland sold Christmas seals Monday and Tuesday of this week, and aided very much in this worthy cause. The fourth grade of junior high school sold the most seals. Their sales amounted to \$37.31. This entitles the fourth grade to the possession of the silver loving cup, which was held during the past year by the same grade. Miss McCredie is the teacher of the winning grade.

At the Hawthorne school, Miss Temple's room sold \$33.91 worth. The total seal sale by the school children was, Junior high, \$102; Hawthorne, \$65.29; total, \$167.29.

The committee extends a hearty vote of thanks to the teachers and children of the public school for their co-operation in this work.

BOOTH TO RESIGN WITH GRACE JAN. 1

PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—Chairman Booth of the state highway commission answered the charges made in the recent election against the commission here today. In a convention of county judges and commissioners, Booth said the percentage of failures of pavement did not exceed 8 per cent of the total. He said he had no apologies to make for the salary paid engineers.

When Governor-elect Pierce's administration opens, both Booth and John Yeon will present their resignations, to take effect three months afterwards. He says he will resign courteously and willingly, as the governor is entitled to resignations so he can appoint those he desires. He will give all help to the incoming commissioners.

He said the road over the Siskiyou south of Ashland was originally set for 12 feet, but when completed made 16 feet with a heavier base which increased the aggregate but reduced the unit cost.

Wednesday Club Meets—

The Wednesday club had a very pleasant gathering yesterday at the Presbyterian church. As a variation in entertainment, some made stocking dolls, some prepared post cards for mission fields, and some wrote letters to absent members. Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Lyman and Mrs. Koehler had prepared Christmas packages for a mock auction. Bidding was high and lively and the packages when opened revealed some strange articles. Mesdames Atkinson, Fuller and Johnson served the guests with cocoa and tasty cookies before adjournment.