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## SUGGEST PLAN TO GIVE CITY WATER SUPPLY

**Harry Silver Declares Ashland Creek Should Be Measured Now**

## NEW STORAGE TANKS

Local Man Tells Mayor And Council His Ideas on Present Situation

There is enough water in Ashland creek and its branches to supply this city with an abundance of water throughout the year, in the belief of Harry Silver, who has addressed a letter to the mayor and city council giving his views of the present water situation.

His suggestion is that measurements should be taken of the water at bedrock in Ashland creek at vantage points and then build additional storage tanks or reservoirs to hold this supply.

The Letter

Following is his communication to the city officials:

The Hon. Mayor and City Council of Ashland, Ore., Gentlemen:

Noticing in the public news that it is proposed, as a possible means of assuring a larger supply of water for the city needs, to spend \$100.00 in digging out some of the springs on Mt. Ashland.

Notice is also taken of the fact that a report is pending from some individual employed to look into what we have in the way of a water system with the view of suggesting betterments in the system. It is understood that you are to pay \$500.00 for this.

In the first item noted you will waste \$100.00. In the second you will get \$500.00 worth, no more, and for this reason will be added waste of money.

The Right Plan

The City Council might just as well take the measurements of the water in Ashland Creek at the foot of Mt. Ashland as incorporating all the water available at Mt. Ashland vicinity, it being the bedrock supply at a point that has the accumulation of all small springs above such point on either side of the creek. Augmenting the flow of one point or another will not add to the quantity of water. If there was a possibility of digging at a point and getting all the flow of all the springs and all the added flow above bedrock for the purpose of taking all of it in a pipe line, digging might be resorted to. In this case however this is done for you at Ashland Creek level and accomplished in a more thorough manner.

Measurements taken during the past years at bedrock at Ashland Creek would give you now the amount of water available at this point during the months of October, November, December, January, February, March, April and May as well as for the remaining months of the year. The months named would be storage months and the water available, taking the minimum measurements would give you the supply of water for storage for use in the city to supplement the present supply. These figures will enable you to decide the question of whether or not you abandon the proposals of looking up further-away sources of water, and confine your attention to taking the proper care of the water you have at your command. This applies to measurements taken on both branches of Ashland Creek above the junction of the two and at such points as the real water exists.

From the two points mentioned in the foregoing paragraph, construct pipe lines to storage sites. These sites should be as close to the elevation of the source as a gravity flow will permit at the speed desired.

Storage Basins

Storage basins should be out of Ashland Creek canyon, removed from the direct flow of the creek and so located that they

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## FINAL ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE NOOSE IS MADE BY SLAYERS

**Willos and Kelley, Notorious Convict - Murderers, Appeal**

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 10.—Briefs in support of the application for a rehearing of the cases of James Willos and Ellsworth Kelley, convicts, who are in the state penitentiary here awaiting execution for the part they played in the prison break on August 12 of last year, were filed in the state supreme court yesterday.

Willos and Kelley were tried in the Marion county circuit court on a charge of slaying John Sweeney, guard at the prison, and were convicted of first degree murder. The supreme court later affirmed the decree of the lower court.

Alleged errors of law and failure of the court to give certain instructions requested by defense counsel furnished the basis for the application for rehearing of the cases.

## BERT R. GREER NOW REPORTED NEAR END

No Hope Held For Recovery of Publisher of Ashland Tidings

Bert R. Greer, publisher of The Tidings, is at death's door at St. John's hospital, Oxnard, Calif., and all hope for his recovery has been abandoned by attending physicians.

Word to this effect was received in a telegram today from Mrs. Greer. The telegram follows: "Condition of Mr. Greer critical and no hope for his recovery. The kind messages from dear friends of Ashland and many newspaper men coming to sick room are greatly appreciated and have been a great help to me at this time."

Close friends of Mr. Greer have known for some time that the doctors who operated on him several weeks ago practically gave up all hope at that time, but at different times he appeared to be showing some slight improvement.

From the wording of Mrs. Greer's telegram it is thought that Mr. Greer's death is but a matter of hours.

## Southern Oregon Given Publicity In Oil Magazine

Through the cooperation of Earl H. Crow, local Standard Oil company manager, the Standard Oil Bulletin, official western publication for the company, contains an extensive illustrated article on scenic attractions in the July issue of the magazine. The front cover of the magazine contains a full-page colored photograph of Crater Lake, while the story itself is profusely illustrated with new pictures of the scenic wonders of this section of the state.

## Business Man Has Auto for Office

BROCTON, Mass., Aug. 10.—Too hot to do business indoors, an automobile dealer here moved his office onto a street corner, much to the amusement of passers-by, who took great delight in listening to the business man dictate to his stenographer.

## Case Against Ned Green is Dropped

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—Acting Secretary of the Treasury Winston said today further action would be taken in the case of Ned M. Green, indicted California dry chief, charged with misappropriating liquor for personal use at present.

## LOCAL WATER CLEAN BILL GIVEN HEALTH

**Bacterial Analysis Shows Ashland Supply Clear of All Pollution**

## EXPERT GIVES REPORT

Some Other Source Held as Cause For Intestinal Trouble Locally

Ashland's water is not polluted or contaminated in any way, and the intestinal trouble which has been prevalent among children here for the past two weeks is due to some other cause.

The local water was given a clean bill of health by G. V. Copson, bacteriologist of the Oregon Experiment station at Corvallis, following an analysis of water sent him by Hugh Bates of McNair Brothers drug store.

## Parents Complain

Mr. Bates sent a sample of the local water to the Corvallis institution for analysis after parents generally complained that they thought the water was causing intestinal trouble among children.

The following letter was received from the bacteriologist today:

"Your letter of Aug. 1st to Professor Simmons was referred to me for reply.

"We have tested the sample of water which you sent us for bacterial count and you sent 10 per cubic centimeter, and there is no indication whatever of sewage pollution.

"If you have trouble, as you describe, of intestinal disorders in the city, it can not be from this source of supply, of the sample you sent us was a fair test."

## JURORS PLAY CARDS DURING GAINES CASE

Bridge Enjoyed While Attorneys Wrangle Over Legal Question

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 10.—While prosecution and defense were deep in the argument of the question of admitting evidence that Wallace Gaines had alleged improper relations with his daughter, Sylvia, whom he is charged with murdering, the jurors were busy playing bridge.

Tables were brought in and two games were in progress in a nearby room while attorneys wrangled over the admissibility of evidence.

## Exploding Beer Injures Officer At Klamath Falls

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Aug. 10.—Federal Officer Shirley is displaying a bandaged thumb, the result of a raid last night on Ray Charron, in which large quantities of beer were confiscated.

Shirley took a hammer and banged away at a bottle of beer. It exploded like a giant fire-cracker and glass flew in every direction. One silver struck Shirley's thumb and inflicted a painful cut.

"Potent? I should say that beer was," smiled the federal officer, holding up his injured thumb as evidence.

So Leslie and Leonard, sans flivver, are looking for odd jobs to raise all these levies the law demands and which, they lament, are greater than the original cost.

## Wins \$750 From Sweetie at Poker

CHICAGO, Aug. 10.—Benah Freedman had John Adams arrested for fleecing her of \$750, but instead of prosecuting she forgave him in court and will marry him. "You see, judge," explained Adams, "she is my fiancee and I bet her \$750 in a poker game."

## Will He Flood Sky With "Air Flivvers"



This shows Henry Ford displaying an experimental model of the new "air flivver" that Otto Kaplan, a young Detroit inventor, has developed in Ford's private machine shop. Ford believes that there is a big market for planes of this type, and it is hinted that his factory may turn them out in quantities. The plane measures only 18 feet from wing tip to wing tip, weighs only 320 pounds and can develop a 100-mile speed with a three cylinder engine.

## STATE SEAL TO BE PUT ON NEW VESSEL

**S. S. Malolo, Now Being Built, to Link East Coast With West**

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Aug. 10.—The great seal of the State of Oregon will form one of the decorative features of the S. S. Malolo, soon to assume her destined role of Queen of the Pacific and of the privately owned U. S. Merchant Marine.

Samuel A. Kizer, Oregon's Secretary of State, has already received a request for a copy of the seal. The request was made by the Matson Navigation Company, the company will operate the Malolo on the San Francisco-Honolulu run upon her completion next spring.

Officials of the Matson Line announce that the seals of the States of Washington and California, and the seal of the Territory of Hawaii, will also be among the decorative features that will indicate the Malolo's mission as a connecting link between the West Coast and the Paradise of the Pacific.

The Malolo is the largest and fastest high-powered passenger steamer ever launched in the United States. She was launched at Cramp's Shipyard, Philadelphia, June 26, 1925, in the presence of Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover and 10,000 spectators.

## Flivver Owners Have Hard Luck

OAKLAND, Cal., Aug. 10.—(UP)—It's undeniably costly to operate even a very cheap car, two 14-year-old Oakland youths will testify.

Sinking their combined resources of \$8 into an ancient flivver, Leslie M. Cox and Leonard Dixon had visions of journeys that rivaled Marco Polo's until they were halted by a traffic cop. The machine lacked 1926 license plates. Just as they were scheming to raise this levy, the policeman asked for the driver's license too.

## Five Merchants Held For Fires At Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 10.—(UP)—Five well known local business men, including two in the reputed millionaire class, have been arrested here in connection with at least 175 incendiary fires. They are Ed Meyers, fur merchant; Ed Rossier, head of a cloak firm; Max Rossloff, partner in another large store; H. Levinski, head of a big millinery concern, and Frank Kaplansky, manager and accountant.

## Council to Hold Special Session

The garbage question and other matters will be considered by the city council at a special meeting which Mayor Johnson has called for tonight. It is also possible that the water situation will be up for discussion, the mayor said.

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## Ex-Chauffeur For Jackie Coogan is In Pistol Battle

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Aug. 10.—(UP)—A gun duel was fought on the lawn of Jackie Coogan's home early today. It resulted in the serious wounding of Joe Block, nightwatchman. Block's assailant, according to police, was Don McRae, former chauffeur for the boy star.

McRae is said to have been drinking. The two men are old enemies. McRae, escaped after the shooting.

## DEMPSEY UNABLE TO GET FIGHT LICENSE

NEW YORK CITY, Aug. 10.—(UP)—Prospects of the Dempsey-Tunney fight being held here Sept. 16th were dealt a severe blow today when the state license commission deferred action on Dempsey's application for a license permitting him to fight in New York state.

## Guard Cutters to Battle Rum Runner

MIAMI, Fla., Aug. 10.—(UP)—Six United States coast guard cutters in battle formation are reported to be preparing for a fight off the Florida coast with an armed rum runner which last night beat off, with machine gun fire, a single coast guard cutter attempting to capture her.

The lone cutter reported she could keep the rum runner in sight until help arrived.

## Forest Fires Burn At Several Points

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 10.—(UP)—The Oregon and Washington fire situation was practically unchanged today. Some trouble was encountered in Crater National forest in the Fish lake vicinity because of the number of spot fires starting out of the bounds of the main fire which covered 360 acres. Eleven of the spot blazes are under control.

A new man-caused fire in the Malheur national forest covered 300 acres and was burning beyond control. In Washington a serious condition exists at many points.

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## BOYCOTT STARTED BY CATHOLICS IN MEXICAN TROUBLE

Priests Sent Throughout the Country to Preach Against Officials

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 10.—(UP)—With all hope for mediation gone in the face of a decisive government victory to date in Mexico's religious controversy the Catholics here are now concentrating on opposition to the new religious war through use of a luxury boycott.

Hundreds of priests, left positionless with the closing of their churches, have been sent into the interior to preach the boycott which is being very effective among the Indians.

Thus far today no new reports of bloodshed or serious trouble have been reported, but with effort to make the boycott general throughout the country, it is felt that further clashes might be expected at any time.

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