

THE WEATHER

Rain in west portion tonight and Friday. Increasing southerly winds.

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JURIST IS TO GIVE EVIDENCE AGAINST AIMEE

Superior Judge Hardy Called as Prosecution Witness Today

CASE NEARS CLIMAX

Mrs. Kennedy Collapses During Dramatic Moments of Case Wednesday

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 30. (UP)—Superior Judge Carlos S. Hardy will be summoned as a prosecution witness at the preliminary hearing of Aimee Semple McPherson on charges of conspiracy, it was announced today by District Attorney Keyes.

Judge Hardy was legal advisor for the evangelist during the official probe of her disappearance. He is expected to testify concerning two "letters of instruction" signed by him and found on the body of R. A. McKinley, blind attorney, who had been employed by Mrs. McPherson to aid in finding her asserted kidnapers.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 30. —An ominous note of doom settled over the courtroom here Wednesday as the last of trio of prosecutors for the state droned out the monotonous recital of Aimee Semple McPherson's own story of her kidnaping.

Perjury by testimony for the first time took its place alongside the charges of conspiring to defeat justice as the trio of prosecutors, like three automatons, read into the court records more than 100 pages of the 176 page document transcribed after Mrs. McPherson had sworn to "tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth" to the grand jurors last July 5.

Mother Breaks Down The nerve wracking pressure of the monotonous, unemotional recitation, which came back like a boomerang to throw the defense into confusion, brought about the collapse of the evangelist's mother, Mrs. Minnie Kennedy.

Every one of the 176 pages occupying the attention of the court can be made a separate count in the charge if any detail Mrs. McPherson is found to have perjured herself in her story to the recently discharged grand jury.

The third day of the trial came to a close with a melodramatic climax as Deputy District Attorney Dennison objected to the calling of a defense witness.

Garbled Statements "Your honor this defendant is a powerful woman," Dennison told the court. "The testimony of this witness will give her a magnificent opportunity to make a

Hunger Strike is On; Big Tarantula Refuses All Food

Wayne W. Wells, biology instructor at the Southern Oregon state normal school, has recently come into possession of a real live tarantula which was captured in California by Walter Redford, another faculty member, on a vacation trip south.

The tarantula apparently has gone on a hunger strike and Mr. Wells' chief problem at the present time is a suitable diet for one of the species of Lycasidae.

REGISTRATION WILL CLOSE ON SATURDAY FOR NEXT ELECTION

Those Who Have Failed to Register Must Do So This Week

All persons who have not yet registered but who wish to vote at the general election on Nov. 2, must register this week. The Ashland registration office is with the Billings Agency, 41 East Main street, and the office will be kept open until 6 o'clock Saturday night to accommodate those who have failed to register by that time.

Persons who failed to vote at the last general election, exclusive of the recent primary, or those who have moved into different precincts since the last city or general election, including the primary, must register again in order to vote at the general election in November.

HIGH SCHOOL TEAM TO PLAY TOMORROW

Will Meet Alumni in Practice Game; Prescott Chosen Captain

Sam Prescott was elected captain of the Ashland high school football team at a meeting of the squad this week. Prescott was one of the star players two years ago but was out of school last year. He plays center and is the bulwark of a strong defensive line which Coach Russell Cripe is whipping into shape.

Local fans will have an opportunity of getting some line on this year's squad when the team will meet the high school alumni in a practice game at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon on the high school athletic field.

Coach Cripe has brought a flock of new formations and plays to Ashland and football enthusiasts will see a surprisingly fast and clever team when the boys line up for the first kick-off tomorrow afternoon.

KELLEY AND WILLOWS TO HANG NOV. FIFTH

Convicts Convicted of Murder, Are Re-Sentenced at Salem

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 30. (UP)—James Willos and Ellsworth Kelley, convicted murderers, were resented to hang on Nov. 5th when they appeared today before Circuit Judge Kelley. This action ends their long fight for life. They were convicted of killing Prison Guards Sweeney and Holman during the prison break of August 12, last year.

To Hold Dance in New Dining Room

The Ashland hotel will give an informal dance in the dining room tomorrow evening, the music being furnished through the courtesy of Elhart's book store. A new Brunswick Panatrop will be used, featuring fox trots, waltzes and others of the latest dance records.

Fishing Vessels Are Thought Lost

HONG KONG, Sept. 30. (UP)—A large part of the Young Kong fishing fleet, composed of 130 vessels and with 2000 persons aboard, are believed to have been destroyed in the typhoon which struck this section last Monday.

RAILROADS TO BUILD JOINT KLAMATH LINE

Northern Pacific and Great Northern Disclose Their Plans

APPROVAL PREDICTED

President Donnelly of N. P. Says Decision Will Come Shortly

PORTLAND, Sept. 30. — Construction of a joint Northern Pacific - Great Northern line from Bend to Klamath Falls probably will be carried on, regardless of any agreement with the Southern Pacific for the use of sections of the Natron cut-off which parallel the proposed route, according to Charles Donnelly, president of the Northern Pacific.

Donnelly, who was in Portland Wednesday with a party of other officials said that the interstate commerce Commissioner Atchison had not given up hope of getting the railroads to come to an agreement in central Oregon.

Donnelly said that a conference of various officials of the interested railroads would be held in New York soon, but he refused to predict the outcome of it.

He recalled, however, that in the order permitting recent Southern Pacific development there was an intimation that should the Great Northern and Northern Pacific be refused the right of using Southern Pacific trackage in central Oregon, then the Northern Pacific and Great Northern would be permitted to build their joint line independently.

WELL-KNOWN LOCAL FOLKS ARE MARRIED

Miss Florence Hollmeyer Becomes Bride of George Converse

Although the audience didn't suspect it, Dan Cupid was assisting at the organ last evening at the Vining theatre.

Which is to say that George D. Converse, popular organist, was putting a bit of extra feeling into the music he was providing the theatre patrons.

And over at the State Automobile Association office in the Lithia Springs hotel, Miss Florence Hollmeyer, Ashland manager, was indulging in frequent day dreams as she gave out road information and other auto tourist data during what seemed like the endless hours of the day.

But late in the afternoon they each walked with nonchalant air out of their respective place of employment and speeded north and west by motor to Jacksonville.

From Jacksonville they traversed the highway back to Medford, and there, in St. Mary's Episcopal church, they were united in marriage.

Rev. P. K. Hammond of the local Episcopal church, had been apprised of the plans and met the young couple in Medford. The only attendants were the bride's mother and Rev. and Mrs. William B. Hamilton of Medford.

Both young people are popular in this city, and although it had been known they were to be married some time this fall, they made every effort to keep their marriage a secret.

Attendance For Fair is Broken

SALEM, Sept. 30. (UP)—A new high attendance mark for the state fair was on record today when officials estimated that 35,000 people passed through the gates yesterday. Of this number 28,500 were paid admissions.

THAT THE PEOPLE MAY KNOW

During the past summer months — and even today — the people of Ashland have learned to their sorrow and financial loss that the present municipal water supply is inadequate. Parched lawns, burned-up home gardens and drooping fruit trees stand out today as living skeletons of the drouth which Ashland has experienced.

Ashland needs a better supply of water. On this point there is a unanimity of opinion among a vast majority of the people in every part of the city.

Responding to an insistent demand for action, the mayor and members of the city council have worked hard and incessantly during the past two months to formulate a definite program of improvement and enlargement of the city's water supply.

This program will be placed before the voters at the general election on Nov. 2 in the form of a bond issue of \$465,000. Competent engineers have been employed to investigate every phase of the water situation. The mayor and members of the council are placing before the voters those projects which, in their judgment, are urgently needed.

The people of Ashland want adequate water facilities, but they want to know how and why and where their money is being spent. It is their right to know these things before they are called upon to pass judgment on the various water projects covered in this half million dollar bond issue.

Constituting itself as spokesman for the people of Ashland, the Daily Tidings has asked the mayor and members of the city council for complete information concerning the water problem. It wanted to know all facts about each and every project. It wanted the full reports and recommendations of the engineers. It wanted detailed information on all estimates.

In other words, The Tidings asked the mayor and council to lay their cards on the table — face upward.

And that request has been granted. The books have been thrown open. Every step of the water program has been made available. The mayor and council have agreed that the public is entitled to all the facts, and they have asked that they be given the widest possible publicity.

With this information at its disposal, The Tidings is glad of this opportunity. Starting next Monday afternoon, it proposes to go into every phase of the water situation and the remedies which the mayor and council are offering to the voters in the half million dollar bond election.

Each day for an indefinite period, The Tidings will present to its readers official facts and figures concerning the various projects which are embraced within this program of improvement. The mayor and council, their corps of engineers and experts, will stand back of every statement contained in this series of articles.

The Tidings believes it will be performing a public duty in presenting this water question in its entirety to the people of Ashland. It is glad of this opportunity to be of service. It wishes at this time to express its thanks to the mayor and members of the council for their courtesy is so promptly responding to this request for complete information.

The Tidings urges each and every citizen to read this series of articles through to the end. It is the belief of this newspaper that the future of the city rests upon a proper solution of the water situation.

NEW EQUIPMENT TO BE INSTALLED BY TIDINGS AT ONCE

Linotype Machine and Heavy Duty Saw to Arrive Next Week

Demonstrating conclusively their faith in the continued growth and prosperity of Ashland and its surrounding territory, contracts were signed, yesterday by The Tidings management calling for the installation of a new Model Eight Linotype machine, and a Miller Heavy Duty saw. The Linotype machine is the latest made by the Mergenthaler company, and will augment the present equipment of the Tidings to such an extent that this publication will take equal rank with some of the larger papers on the coast. Advertisers will be given a larger assortment of type faces than they have had at their disposal heretofore, and the paper will be enabled to handle a larger volume of news than has been the custom in the past.

The layman has ordinarily little conception of the cost of equipping a modern newspaper office, but some idea of the investment necessary to give Ashland an up-to-date paper can be realized when it is known that the new machine alone entails a cost of nearly \$5000, exclusive of freight and erection charges.

The contract calls for the installation of the machine not later than the middle of next week. A special factory representative from the main office at New York city will have charge of this phase of the installation. The new machine will be operated by Miss Ethel Shrum, who for some time has been one of the valued employees of the Tidings. The mechanical supervision will be under Emmett Gillings, machinist - operator of the Tidings. Superintendent Berk of the mechanical department made the selection of the model and type faces.

The new saw will greatly facilitate the work in the mechanical department and will play an integral part in the general mechanical efficiency of the Tidings. While these two pieces of machinery are the largest that present plans call for they are but a fore-runner to other purchases that are to be made in the near future.

CONVICTS TO BE ACCORDED REAL FUNERAL

Two Prison Inmates Die Heroic Deaths in Fighting Big Fire

PRaised BY GOVERNOR

Executive Declares Men Have More Than Paid Debt to Society

CARSON CITY, Nev., Sept. 30. —The two state prisoners who lost their lives fighting a forest and brush fire which burned to the outskirts of Carson City will be buried with all the honors of a state funeral.

Governor Scrugham issued a statement this afternoon declaring that J. E. Mitchell, serving a state prison term for assault with intent to kill, and George Brown, convicted burglar, had "paid their debt to society," and that because they died protecting Nevada's capital from destruction by fire "society is now in debt to them."

Public Burial The burial will be in a public cemetery and not behind prison walls.

Three were killed by the flames. In addition to Mitchell and Brown, Ralph Morse, Indian section hand, perished when trapped between rushing walls of fire.

Two others were seriously burned.

Showers late today put an end to the forest and brush fire menace so far as the Nevada state capital was concerned, but 200 Indian boys from the Carson City Indian school were watching the fire area to prevent further outbreaks.

The blaze had extended to within half a mile of the county poor farm and to a point less than a mile from the Indian school.

Appreciation Given Tidings By Local Man

Appreciation of the support accorded the Ashland Y. M. C. A. as well as the general improvement in The Tidings is given in a letter received by the Tidings this week from W. T. Walter, general secretary of the local Y. M. C. A.

His letter follows: Ashland, Ore. Sept. 27, 1926

Mr. C. J. Read, Ashland Tidings, Ashland, Oregon.

My Dear Mr. Read: Too often we are prone to express our appreciation of many things and many men in our community, until it is too late. I feel it my duty to express to you my appreciation for the two very fine editorials recently appearing in your paper regarding the work of

The Young Men's Christian Association. These editorials show a keen insight into the fine work being accomplished by the Y. M. C. A., and are very timely and to the point.

Not only do I wish to express my appreciation for these editorials alone, but I like the whole tone of the paper, the booster spirit, the many added features, and many other changes, which give Ashland a paper to be proud of, and one which speaks the Ashland spirit. I for one am anxious to offer my services to help you in this fine spirit and policy, and I covet for you the solid support of those in this city who believe in Ashland, and who want a paper that respects as The Tidings does, the spirit of the city.

Cordially yours, W. F. WALTER, General Secretary, Ashland Y. M. C. A.

HALF STARVED MEN RESCUED FROM MINE

All 43 Miners at Ironwood Mich. Brought up From Cave-in Shaft

IRONWOOD, Mich., Sept. 30. —One at a time, 43 half starved miners were rescued last night from the tortures of nearly six days imprisonment in their mine prison more than 700 feet underground. They crawled through a sloping shaft to the 28th level where an elevator lifted them to freedom.

Steiwer May Talk To Kiwanis Club

Frederick Steiwer, republican candidate for United States senator, is expected to be the chief speaker at the Kiwanis club luncheon tomorrow noon at the Lithia Springs hotel. Mr. Steiwer will be in this section of the state for the remainder of the week and the Kiwanians will extend to him an invitation to address the club. Some special music will be provided for the luncheon.

France Spending Money for Army

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Sept. 30. (UP) — Senator Borah of Idaho, chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, today charged that France is using money rightfully due the United States for a militaristic program.

We Never Get Hungry Any More

