

THE WEATHER
Unsettled and probably rain tonight and tomorrow. Fresh southerly winds.

ASHLAND DAILY TIDINGS

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MORONI OLSEN PLAYERS
Ashland residents should attend the Moroni Olsen show Saturday night.

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STATE HOPES TO REACH BIG CLIMAX TODAY

Mrs. Wiseman to Undergo Cross Examination This Afternoon

CASE NEARING CLOSE

Almece McPherson Case Promised to Provide Real Dramatics

BY DAN CAMPBELL
(United News Correspondent)
LOS ANGELES, Oct. 13.—A woman who claims to have broken bread with Almece Sempie McPherson and slept in the evangelist's bed, resumed her recital today of the damning details of the "Miss X" hoax, perpetrated, the state declares, by the famous Bible teacher and her co-defendants.

Mrs. Lorraine Wiseman, who two months ago, was hailed by the evangelist as the savior of her name and fortune, has come back, a Nemesis, and from her willing lips District Attorney Asa Keyes will draw the final chapters of the alleged hoax to vindicate Mrs. McPherson and save her name from public scandal. The case is expected to reach its most bitter climax late today when it is understood that "Defense Attorney W. I. Gilbert will precede his cross examination with an attempt to show the "hoax woman" is an incompetent witness because of her commitment to a Utah insane asylum in 1915.

More Witnesses

This step by the defense may bring more witnesses into the hearing than first contemplated. Her attorney, S. S. Hahn, declared Tuesday that Mrs. Wiseman's sister, Mrs. Vilsa Lee Kimball, told him she was confined in the institution as an incorrigible and not as an insane person as Gilbert charged Monday.

Another Suspect

The sheriff's office was notified that a man resembling Kenneth G. Ormiston, missing radio operator and co-defendant, was seen meeting a woman driving an automobile, but no trace of the pair was found by authorities.

RAIN WELCOMED

PENDLETON, Oct. 13.—Rain falling in Pendleton and vicinity Tuesday afternoon was greatly welcomed by farmers, as they are now doing their fall seeding. Wheat land in Umatilla was in much need of rain.

ASHLAND TIDINGS LETTER CONTEST

Following are the rules for the letter writing contest. It closes Oct. 23.
Any person over 18 years of age is eligible.
Letters are limited to 250 words.
Cash prizes totaling \$30 will be given the three winners.
Write a letter to some friend in another city telling what you think of Ashland.
Write on one side of the paper only and if possible use a typewriter.
Send a copy of your letter to the Contest Editor of The Tidings.
The letters will be judged by five disinterested judges and the winners announced a few days after the close of the contest.

That The People May Know

(DILLARD'S REPORT—Continued)

The development of Ashland Canyon has been the most often considered in the past and has much to commend it. The survey work heretofore done in Ashland Canyon has been a valuable aid in working out this report and is well worth its cost.

Various storage sites have been considered and preliminary estimates made. These estimates show that a dam constructed just below Reed Gulch appears to be the cheapest for the required capacities, considering the cost of the dam only. This site has not been given serious consideration at this time however, as it would interfere with your municipal power plant, and we have not had sufficient time to work out the best future policy for your power plant.

To the cost of the dam should be added the cost necessary to rearrange the power pipe line so as to maintain the present capacity if possible, and any loss of power should be capitalized and charged against the reservoir. There is also another serious objection at this time to this site, and that is the intakes to your pipe lines are located above this site and consequently there might not be a sufficient flow of water passing through the site at all times to keep the impounded water fresh and prevent stagnation.

Of the other sites, one just below the forest ranger station and one about 2000 feet below the Winburn cabin seem to be about equal. The estimate of cost of a dam in Ashland canyon used in this report, is on the Ranger Station site, for the reason that we are most sure at this time of bed rock condition here.

It has been shown that the present daily consumption in Ashland is 325 gallons per capita, with practically no supply available for irrigation of lawns and gardens. We are informed by your water superintendent that a continuous flow of 6 second feet will just nicely care for your needs without restricted use. This is a daily per capita use of about 670 gallons.

Table No. 2 gives the combined flow of the east and west forks of Ashland Creek for the climatic year of 1925-26, together with the storage required to insure a continuous flow of 6 second feet and 9 second feet. It is shown that 530 acre feet are required to insure a minimum flow of 6 second feet, the amount which your water superintendent states just nicely meets your present wants under your present method of distribution, which appears to call for a daily per capita use of 670 gallons.

In other words, you can build a dam up Ashland Canyon and store 530 acre feet and cure your present shortage, but no excess will be provided for the future growth of your city; or you could bring in the South Fork spring at a cost of \$650,000 by selling 30-year bonds and provide for a population of 8700 people, with your present daily per capita use.

By constructing regulating reservoirs, eliminating waste, and providing irrigation water for use on the orchards and small tracts when possible, you should easily be able to reduce your daily per capita to 400 gallons. On this basis, a continuous flow of 6 second feet would supply a population of 10,000 people and likewise a minimum flow of 9 second feet would supply 15,000 people.

(Continued Tomorrow)

WIFE CHARGED WITH DEATH OF HUSBAND

Mrs. Eva McGee of Tillamook Held on Charge of Murder

TILLAMOOK, Ore., Oct. 13.—(UP)—Mrs. Eva McGee, charged with the murder of her husband, Dr. W. G. McGee, was held today under \$20,000 bonds which she was unable to furnish. After her appearance at the court house late yesterday she was returned to the custody of the sheriff. Dr. McGee died from blood poisoning, August 16, following an auto accident.

Rally to be Held On Friday Night

A rally in the interest of the Week-day Bible school will be held Friday evening October 15, at 7:30 at the Methodist church. President J. A. Churchill of the Southern Oregon state normal school is expected to deliver the address of the evening. All interested are urged to be present and aid in the securing of funds for the furtherance of this great work.

Will Name Paris For Convention

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., Oct. 13.—(UP)—A report recommending Paris for its next American Legion convention has been prepared for presentation to the convention here today and it is expected to be adopted in spite of threats of some delegates to enter a vigorous protest.

STRAY BULLET HITS ASHLAND TEAMSTER

Police Try to Find Source of Pellet Which Hits S. B. Hardin

Local police today were endeavoring to trace the source of a stray .38-caliber bullet which struck S. B. Hardin, a truck driver, in the elbow as he was standing near the fruit association warehouse yesterday afternoon. His arm was made numb for several hours from the force of the bullet, although it did not penetrate his coat sleeve. The bullet had hair and blood on it, and is believed to have been used in the killing of a dog or cat on the hills east of the city.

PRISONERS IN CHICAGO JAIL STAGE BATTLE

Eighty-Five Fight With Knives in Series of Riots

FIVE BADLY WOUNDED

Disorder Starts in Protest Against New Warden Taking Charge

CHICAGO, Oct. 13.—(United News)—Eighty-five prisoners, 37 of them colored, fought with knives and blackjacks in the bullpen of the county jail here Tuesday night in the first outbreak that has occurred in the historic old prison since reorganization of the warden's office following a complete breakdown of discipline.

Five prisoners were badly wounded in the rioting which is believed to have resulted from growing enmity between whites and blacks. Guards threatened to open fire on the rioters and finally succeeded in restoring order.

Tuesday's outbreak was a baptism of violence for Edward J. Fogarty, the new warden, who came here recently from Indiana to take charge of the jail after his predecessors had failed to prevent bootlegging and bribery between guards and prisoners.

RUSSELL SCOTT IS EXTENDED REPRIEVE

Noted Illinois Slayer Will Not be Hanged Friday Morning

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 13.—(UP)—Russell Scott, Chicago murderer, today won his fourth stay of execution when the Illinois supreme court ruled that he should not be hanged next Friday. The court granted a writ of supersedeas, staying the execution until a decision of the Cook county court which found him insane is reviewed.

GETS NEW TRIAL

SALEM, Or., Oct. 12.—(UP)—George F. Way, Klamath sheepman, was granted a new trial today by the supreme court. He was convicted of manslaughter.

"DADDY" BROWNING GIVES ULTIMATUM TO HIS "PEACHES"

Girl Wife Must Return Home in 24 Hours, Asserts Spouse

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—(United News)—Cinderella was notified that 12 bells will sound within 24 hours unless she returns to her daddy.

Edward W. Browning, the romantic millionaire realtor, announced to the newspapers Tuesday that if "Peaches" did not return to him within that time "you are going to see developments fast and furious. I will then make my first move and it will be a vital one."

"Peaches" Heenan Browning, the girl wife who fled Browning's apartment last week, has shown no inclination to return. Her absence has evoked from the realtor this soliloquy: "I cannot understand it. Yes, I love her, will always love her and if she doesn't come back I'll never look at another woman."

PREMIER POINCARE'S LIFE IS THREATENED

Paris Police Arrest Spanish Suspect Carrying Revolver

PARIS, Oct. 13.—(United News)—Fearing that he intended to assassinate Premier Poincare, the police arrested Alcon Monterrer, a Spaniard who sought to see the premier.

Monterrer carried an automatic revolver and appeared to be mentally unbalanced. He was surprised when he learned that Poincare is many miles from Paris, touring in the provinces of Alsace and Lorraine.

Indian Youth is Now Near Death

SALEM, Oct. 13.—(United News)—Little hope is held today for the recovery of Ole Strom, captain and star tackle of the Chemawa Indian team, following injuries he sustained during a football game last Saturday with Corvallis high school.

The veterinarians were cracked resulting in paralysis of the entire lower part of his body.

13 CONVICTS ESCAPE FROM STATE PRISON

Desperate Criminals, Including 4 Murderers, Make Getaway

PAIR ARE CAPTURED

Six Halt Autoist and Steal Car; Dig Tunnel From Their Cells

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 13.—(United News)—Thirteen convicts including four of the most notorious murders in the state, escaped from the state penitentiary here last night by tunnelling from a cell of one of the prisoners to an air ventilator through which they were able to reach the prison wall.

Within a few hours after the escape W. A. Craig, serving for murder, and Thomas Murphy, were captured hiding beside a road near the prison, apparently awaiting opportunity to commandeer an automobile.

Steal Auto

Six of the others stopped a large touring car, ejected the owner his wife and chauffeur, and drove away toward the hills west of Nashville.

Another held up a youth near the prison and forced him to change clothes with him.

Tunnel is Dug

The tunnel was dug from the cell of John Ravinsky, slayer of his sweetheart, Mae Goodwin, queen of the Memphis underworld.

Lee Allen, Oklahoma gunman and bank robber, who fought a pistol duel with police before capture in a previous escape, was among the escaped prisoners tonight.

Convicts Beckett, Benner, Jones and Craig were serving life terms for notorious murders. Several others were serving shorter murder terms.

COMMITTS SUICIDE

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 13.—(UP)—An unidentified man about 45 years old, hurled himself to death beneath a stage of the J. W. Parker line about three miles west of here today. He dove beneath the wheels as the staged passed.

WATER PROPOSAL IS GIVEN INDORSEMENT BY LEGION MEMBERS

Ashland Post Goes on Record Unanimously for Bond Issue

Members of Ashland post of the American Legion not only favor the proposed water bond issue but will work actively for its passage.

This was the decision reached by the legion last night following an exhaustive report of the special water bond committee. This committee was composed of Millard Gdub, V. V. Mills and Guy Applewhite.

The committee reported that it had gone into every phase of the water proposal, had examined the reports of engineers and others, and was thoroughly convinced that Ashland is in vital need of more water and that the program which is being presented to the voters November 2 is, in their judgment, the best solution which might be offered.

The report of this committee was adopted without a dissenting vote.

A special committee was named to arrange for a big legion dance in the near future. This committee is composed of Dr. C. E. Shinn, Millard Grubb and Bert Freeman.

SEARCH AND SEIZURE LAW CONSTITUTIONAL

State Supreme Court Upholds Oregon Statute in Booze Case

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 13.—(United News)—The constitutionality of the Oregon law on search and seizure was upheld by the supreme court in an opinion written and handed down by Justice Co-show Tuesday.

The opinion sustains the appeal taken by the state from the decree of Circuit Judge Bagley of Tillamook county in the case against C. F. Deford. Inasmuch as Deford was acquitted in the lower court on a charge of possession and transportation of liquor the opinion of the supreme court does not affect his status, but only goes to the constitutionality of the law, which was held void by Judge Bagley.

BORAH WILL START SENATORIAL PROBE

Idaho Solon Says Alien Property Office to be Investigated

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—(United News)—A general investigation of the handling of alien property seized during the war has become more imperative than ever, Sen. Borah of Idaho declared, following the disagreement of the Daugherty-Miller jury in New York, and the decision of the supreme court upholding the sale of seized German dye patents to American dye interests.

Borah announced that he would attempt to put former Attorney General Harry M. Daugherty and former Alien Property Custodian Thomas Miller on the witness stand under oath before the senate alien property investigation committee, of which he is chairman.

Want McNary to Speak Here At Forum Luncheon

The chamber of commerce has extended an invitation to United States Senator Charles L. McNary to meet with them next Tuesday at the regular weekly forum and discuss the question of a federal building for this city.

DAWES FAVORS ABOLISHMENT OF PRIMARIES

Vice-President Would Return to Old-Time Convention Plan

TALKS BEFORE LEGION

Politicians in Several States Will Wage Campaigns Shortly

BY RAYMOND CLAPPER

United News Staff Correspondent WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—Politicians bent on abolishing the direct primary in a number of states when legislatures meet next winter have just received considerable assistance from Vice President Dawes, who, in his address to the American Legion at Philadelphia, recommended that the old time convention system be restored.

This campaign is gathering force through the dissemination of propaganda based in part on the heavy expenditure of cash for votes in the recent millionaires' senatorial primaries in Pennsylvania and Illinois.

Will Be Issue

This question of whether the electoral machinery shall be radically changed is likely to be active in a number of states this winter and probably for at least two years more. The Pennsylvania and Illinois scandals are to be warmed over in the senate when the winning candidates appear to take their seats in December, 1927. It may even be projected into the next presidential campaign and become the focal point of a general political controversy as to whether there is to be more or less direct government in the United States.

The direct primaries came in during the previous decade with the full swing of the pendulum which brought direct government in the form of the initiative and referendum, direct election of senators, woman suffrage and general abolition of the nominating convention in favor of nomination by direct ballot.

Costs Too Much

Those opposing the primary say it costs too much. Only a millionaire or a candidate who hires out for office in a populous state. Money and large organizations are required to advertise the merits of a candidate to a million voters. It is often mentioned that the calibre of senators has been lowered by the primary.

President Harding believed this. He favored restoration of the party convention. It is some times pointed out that in Alabama for instance Senator Oscar Underwood did not dare run for re-nomination whereas his colleague, Heflin, was re-nominated without opposition—the inference being that the abilities of the two men were in inverse ratio to their popularity with the voters. Similarly, one regards Brookhart in Iowa as the inferior of Cummins, who was defeated in the primary last spring.

These are the chief examples used by the opponents to the primary.

Those defending the primary answer that if the object is to buy a nomination then it is cheaper to buy a small hand picked convention than the voters themselves. They admit that the primary makes even legitimate expenses higher.

Pythians Holding Annual Sessions

CORVALLIS, Oct. 13.—(United News)—Four hundred Knights of Pythians and Pythian sisters, representing 48 of the 53 lodges in Oregon, assembled here Tuesday for grand lodge.

The Big Parade

