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Cloudburst Strikes Arlington, Oregon

Property Damage is Estimated to be Over \$100,000.

Arlington, Or.—A terrific cloudburst that struck on Sutter flat, seven miles south of here, Sunday afternoon, sent a wall of water seven feet high sweeping over Arlington. The torrent washed away houses and other frame structures and did damage estimated at from \$100,000 to \$250,000.

The center of the property loss here was the Vendome hotel, which is almost a total wreck.

All of the buildings in Arlington swept away or wrecked were along the main street. Much of the damage done by the raging waters will be in the accumulation of mud on stocks of goods in the various basements and lower floors of business houses and stores.

There was no loss of life as far as could be ascertained, and it was believed that none was injured. This fact was attributed largely to the warning given by William Head and Jim William, who had started to drive to Condon. The men ran into the cloudburst on the John Day highway and turned around and drove for Arlington. Motorists were warned on the way and the alarm was given in the town. Residents of the city, which is situated at the outlet of several large canyons, have always feared the flood menace and they took to the hills without delay.

OREGON FISH WHEEL BAN DECLARED LEGAL

Portland, Or.—Oregon's new law, passed by the legislature at the 1927 session, barring fish wheels from the Columbia river and seines from that part of the river above the cascades, is constitutional, according to a decision handed down by Federal Judge Bean.

This decision was made in a suit brought by P. J. McGowan, wealthy cannery man of Ilwaco, Wash., who sought a permanent injunction against the state to prevent it from enforcing the law.

McGowan's attorneys contended, when the matter was argued in federal court that a contract was entered into by the states of Oregon and Washington in 1913 legalizing the use of fish wheels and seines.

The regulations could not be changed by Oregon without Washington also changing them, it was maintained. However, Judge Bean said he could see no reason why the state should not be allowed to supervise its own citizens and direct how fish should be caught by them in the river.

LEGISLATORS SEE COOLIDGE

South Dakota Solons Visit President at Summer White House.

Rapid City, S. D.—The legislature of South Dakota, made up of cowboys, bankers and farmers, came up from its special session at Pierre, the state capital, to welcome President and Mrs. Coolidge at the summer White House.

The legislators were accompanied by 110 relatives and friends in the largest delegation which has yet visited the vacation capital of the country. In the gathering were many 10-gallon hats and most of those who wore them appeared as if they had freshly come from the ranches, but they came with a "Yippee" and "Zowie" for a real western welcome to the president.

G. N. and S. P. Railroads Agree.

Washington, D. C.—A plan for settling the long standing Oregon railroad controversy was submitted to the interstate commerce commission in a series of applications by the Great Northern railroad. All phases of the plan are acceptable to the Southern Pacific company, the application said.

Sapiro Ousted as Cotton Counsel.

Memphis, Tenn.—Aaron Sapiro has been ousted from his powerful position as general counsel for the American Cotton Growers' Exchange, it was learned here from executives of the organization.

Union Pacific Ready to Open Bus Line From Portland to Pendleton

The Union Pacific system, through its recently incorporated subsidiary, Union Pacific Stages, Inc. today will inaugurate a new daily two-way motor stage service between Portland and Pendleton.

Five coaches, declared by the passenger traffic department to be the last word in motor stage construction and equipment, have been built especially for the run. Four of them will be in daily operation. The fifth will be held for emergencies.

Operation of the stages will make no difference in train service between Portland and Pendleton, though on Sunday, July 3, the local train between The Dalles and Pendleton will be cancelled because of the substitution of the two stages daily between the two points.

The morning stage will leave Portland from the terminal at Sixth and Salmon streets, at 6:50. It will arrive at Multnomah Falls at 8:25; Hood River, 9:55; The Dalles, 11:05; Arlington, 1:25 p. m., and Pendleton 4:30 p. m.

The afternoon stage will leave Portland at 1. It will arrive at Multnomah Falls at 2:55; Hood River, 4:05; The Dalles, 5:15; Arlington, 7:35, and Pendleton, 10:40.

Returning, the morning stage will leave Pendleton at 7:05 a. m., and arrive at Portland at 4:45 p. m. The afternoon stage will leave Pendleton at 12:20 p. m. and reach Portland at 10 p. m.

The Union Pacific system already operates a motor coach service between Pendleton and Walla Walla and on other runs on its various units, and further expansion of the motor coach schedules has been intimated.

Trench Mouth War On at Walla Walla

Dr. H. T. Sparling, county health officer, is directing a campaign launched by the Walla Walla Health department to prevent the spread of typhoid fever and Vincent's Angina, or trench mouth. The death knell of the common drinking cup, common water bottle and of unsterilized dishes in eating places is the first step of the campaign, Dr. Sparling said.

Warning is being given to farmers at the start of harvest season to abolish the common drinking bottle or cup in the field or cook house. Dr. Sparling urged the use of either individual drinking cups or canteens. Sterilization and thorough washing of all dishes or glasses in places which sell food or soft drinks is also being required.

Dr. Sparling explained that trench mouth is an infectious disease communicated by unsterilized dishes and glasses. Typhoid germs, he said, are also carried in the same fashion.

Former Athena People Hold Annual Picnic

The second annual picnic of former Athena residents living in Portland and vicinity was held Saturday afternoon and evening June 18, in Laurelhurst Park.

Mr. L. B. Reeder was the principal speaker for the occasion, speaking of Athena in the early days. Others also responded with short talks.

Mrs. G. C. Osburn was re-elected president, Ivah Callender Kilham, treasurer and Alma Koontz, secretary.

About sixty-five were present and a most enjoyable time was had by all. These picnics will be an annual event.

McNary Says That He Is Not a Candidate

United States Senator Charles L. McNary of Oregon emphatically declared himself not a candidate for vice president on the republican ticket.

"What is more, I wouldn't accept the vice presidential nomination if it were offered me," he said. "I like an active life too well to tie myself up in the vice presidential office, even with as good a man as President Coolidge."

"I think President Coolidge is certain to be the republican presidential nominee, and certain to be re-elected. In my mind there is nothing to it." Senator McNary was at Medford with Senator Frederick Steiwer and Congressman J. Sinnott looking over the irrigation situation.

Income Tax Measure Overwhelmed at Polls

A Light Vote Over State Goes Against Threat of High Levies.

With only four measures out of the whole list escaping the avalanche of negative votes thrown into the ballot boxes on Tuesday, all the rest have been swept into the discard, including the three Patterson administration proposals—the income tax, the tax limitation amendment and the legislative law giving the state tax commission power to reassess property valuations throughout the state where found to be too low. All of the various bonding and money measures were brushed aside by the voters in a most emphatic manner.

It is interesting to note that Multnomah county handed the big wallop to the income tax, where the complete count shows a negative majority of 20,654 votes, virtually a two to one rejection, while in the upstate the voters approved the measure by a narrow majority of 1405 in 988 of 1315 precincts outside of Multnomah.

The complete count in Multnomah is a 20,654 negative majority. The complete count from 1520 precincts of the whole state, including the complete Multnomah returns, gives a negative majority of 19,249.

Those counties giving substantial affirmative margins to the income tax measure are Benton, Clackamas, Hood River, Lane, Linn, Polk, Umatilla, Wasco, Washington, Wheeler, and Yamhill. The vote was close in Columbia, Deschutes, Douglas, Gilliam, Harney and Jefferson.

A light vote was polled in the special election Tuesday at Athena, as elsewhere over the state. The income tax bill carried in Athena by a vote of 43 to 35. The following is the total vote as cast in Athena's three precincts:

Suffrage Section Constitution—Yes 29; No 32.

Portland School Tax—Yes 18; No 33.

Criminal Information Amendment—Yes 38; No 25.

Legislator's Pay—Yes 9; No 57.

Voter's Registration—Yes 36; No 31.

Officer's Salary—Yes 25; No 31.

City County Consolidation—Yes 13; No 41.

Veteran's Memorial Amory—Yes 7; No 47.

Tax Limitation—Yes 28; No 54.

Income Tax Bill—Yes 42; No 38.

Property Assessment-Taxation Enforcement—Yes 16; No 46.

Fish Bill—Yes 23; No 30.

Fruitvale Wins Pennant

By defeating Adams 7 to 4 in Sunday's game, Fruitvale clinched the pennant in the Valley league Sunday. Weston won from Walla Walla Electric 9 to 6, and Helix trounced the Twin Cities 9 to 2 in the Big Four league. Pendleton and the Indians were in tie in the seventh inning, 2-2, in the last game of the Blue Mountain league.

Stakes are set and grading of the new Eagle Hollow market road will be started soon. It is expected that the road will be finished by October first.

Vandal Wolf Caught in Lake County Trap After Twelve Years

The big white wolf of Sycan marsh which slew \$15,000 worth of cattle, sheep and horses and which for 12 years was feared and respected in Lake county, has been trapped and killed says the Oregonian.

Those persons who declared "There ain't no sech animal" have been proved wrong. There was such an animal; Elmer Williams of the United States biological survey had him at Silver Lake, Oregon, night before last.

The Sycan wolf is the only predatory animal ever reported to the biological survey in Oregon which has not been caught within what Mr. Jewett calls a reasonable length of time. More stories of mystery and devastation surround it than any other animal Mr. Jewett ever knew of. His tracks were the size of an average cougar's, the largest wolf tracks Mr. Jewett ever saw in Oregon, Washington, Idaho or Montana. His howl was described as a sound like the baying of a hound. And he was white.

The ZX ranch, owned by the Cheyenne Land & Livestock company of Paisley, Oregon, provided most of the fresh meat in the diet of the Sycan wolf. The cattle men estimate their loss in horses, cattle and sheep at from ten to 20 thousand dollars. Just a few weeks ago the wolf took two-yearling cattle.

The Sycan wolf ranged usually over an area of 30 miles square, entering in the Sycan marsh, but last year he was reported seen as far east as Summer lake and as far west as the upper end of the Klamath marshes. He would kill a steer at one place today, they said, and his howling would be heard 30 miles away the next day. The Sycan wolf never returned to his kill.

He was always accompanied by one or more coyotes. Mr. Jewett established that fact on a visit to the Sycan marsh this month. It was on this trip that the biological survey leader was first convinced that the devastation report was wrought by a single large animal. The coyotes were along only to feed upon what the wolf left. What the coyotes left the magpies got. It is not unusual, Mr. Jewett said, for coyotes to accompany wolves on their rounds.

The Sycan wolf made his rounds fortnightly. A foot log across the Sycan river was on his route, and it was there that Mr. Williams thought he would surely trap the beast. He might have, if bobcats hadn't gotten into the trap on the log so often. And then this spring freshet carried the log away.

Standard Theatre Programs

Anna Q. Nilsson, Huntley Gordon and Charles Murray head a big cast in "Her Second Chance," one of the swiftest dramas ever seen at the Standard, tomorrow night. There will be no show at the Standard Sunday night on account of Fourth of July preparations.

Anti-Fish Wheel Law O. K.

The Anti-Fish Wheel Bill, passed by the electorate of Oregon in November, is not in conflict with the constitution of the United States nor with the Oregon-Washington compact governing the commercial fishing on the Columbia river. A decision to this effect was handed down in Federal District Court.

Weston Vicinity Hit In Cloudburst Sunday

Buildings Swept Away and Damage to Growing Crops Heavy.

Two cloudbursts Sunday afternoon did considerable damage to buildings and crops at Weston and Arlington.

Sheets of water falling on the hills adjacent to Weston surged through the town, carrying everything loose before it. Both business and residence sections were hit by the flood and two bridges put out of use temporarily.

Water and mud rushed into main street business houses, and a portion of the floor in the H. R. Pope general merchandise store, which stands on the bank of Pine creek, fell out when that part of the building was undermined by the wall of water and participated a part of the dry goods stock into the flood and was carried away. Other business houses and many homes had their floors covered with deposits of mud.

Adjacent rural districts in path of the flood bore the heavy brunt of the destructive force of the wall of water. The home of Newton O'Hara, whose farm is on Little Dry Creek, was swept away by the flood, the family barely escaped as the house left the foundation, and floated away in the torrent. Hardly a vestige of the house was found, and its entire contents was scattered along the track of the flood, the piano lodging a half mile below where the house stood.

The school house near by has one side caved in and hole through the other, where a boulder or some heavy object hurtled through. A scene of wreckage at the Ott place will require much time and hard work to efface. Farther on down Dry Creek, the Winn place received scars from the flood, as also did the Staggs place.

At Blue Mountain Station debris and silt covered the highway, for a time making automobile traffic dangerous. Throughout the track of the storm farm houses and yards and gardens suffered damage from the surging floods, and in the grain fields thousands of dollars in damage resulted.

Weston suffered a loss of probably \$50,000, while damage to grain in the path of the storm will mount to many more thousands, as the result of hail, rain and wind.

Damage in Milton-Freewater and Couse creek vicinities was confined principally to ranches in the surrounding territory, the towns escaping the crest of the flood, though the streets of Milton are covered with mud, and the municipal light plant is out of commission.

In the vicinity of Athena, the storm caused a flood at the head of the municipal water system, which carried away the pump house, filled an auxiliary well with mud and caused other damage. Hail damaged grain to some extent on Gagnon farm. One portion of the Koepke place is damaged as the result of the flood which struck at the head of the city water system, and flowing on down, rushed into the Frank Coppock farm home leaving a deposit of silt and mud covering the lower floors.

Heppner's 1903 Flood Disaster is Recalled by Sunday's Cloud Bursts

Sunday's cloud bursts, which inundated the towns of Weston and Arlington, recall the disastrous Heppner flood of Sunday, June 14, 1903, in which over 250 people lost their lives.

The catastrophe was caused when a storm coming up over the Blue mountains from the east, and one from the west met over Willow creek, which flowed through the town, and a terrific electrical storm, hail and heavy rain followed.

Willow creek became a torrent. Ordinarily the rain water ran down one fork of the creek known as Balm fork, but debris lodging against the piling of bridges dammed up the flow and the other fork also became a rushing torrent of flood water. Most of the houses of the town were along the creek and they were washed away.

The rapidity with which the water moved was more responsible for the heavy toll of lives than was its depth. The water was ice cold, which was also responsible for many of the deaths.

Property damage of approximately \$1,000,000 resulted from this storm.

Al G. Barnes Circus Walla Walla July 8

Advertising agents representing A. G. Barnes Circus have been posting pictorial circus bills in this vicinity announcing the coming of this excellent show, and advertisements will be found in our columns this week. The management of the A. G. Barnes Circus announces the following features this year:

The all new spectacle entitled, "Aladdin and the Parade of Gold," in which approximately 1,000 people take part, including the Chinese beauty, Lola Lee Chong; the Chinese giant, Liu Lu-Ching the biggest man on earth; Klinkerts, equestrian midges, fourteen tiny horsemen from Bavaria; San Marcus, the \$16,000 equine star; the zebra round-up, with the largest herd in captivity in America; and many other novel features and performances given by American and foreign artists, and animals from every part of the world.

Two performances are given daily, the afternoon starting at 2:00 o'clock and the night performance at 8:00 o'clock. The doors are open one hour previous for the inspection of the largest travelling zoo in America, and for the children to see the Chinese exhibit in which Liu Yu-Ching and his suite hold a reception.

Wheat Destroyed in Idaho by Hail Storm

Over 20,000 acres of fall wheat in the vicinity of Cottonwood, 69 miles southeast of Lewiston, Idaho, were estimated to have been destroyed by a severe fifteen minute hail storm which swept an area 80 miles square there Monday.

Hailstones over an inch in diameter, that broke hundreds of windows and riddled automobile tops were reported to have fallen in Cottonwood during the storm. The total damage to crops, truck gardens and buildings is estimated at \$800,000.

The storm is said by old residents to have been the worst that has struck the region in recent years.

One report placed the damage from the hail storm at about \$750,000. This would include damage over the whole Camas prairie.

Death of John Ridenour

John Ridenour, brother of Mrs. F. B. Boyd of Athena, and of Mrs. S. A. Barnes of Weston, died at Sheridan, Montana, yesterday morning, after a short illness. Relatives were apprised of his critical illness Tuesday morning, and Mrs. Boyd left for Sheridan Wednesday evening, but Mr. Ridenour passed away before she arrived there. Mr. Ridenour was well known here. He was raised at Weston and was a member of the Knights of Pythias lodge there. He is survived by one brother and four sisters, Emsley Ridenour of Seattle; Mrs. W. A. Graham of Albany, Oregon; Mrs. J. E. Michael of Portland; Mrs. S. A. Barnes of Weston and Mrs. F. B. Boyd of Athena. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Goes to Salem

Dr. David B. Hill, prominent dentist of Pendleton, has sold out to Dr. S. E. Allen of Portland. Dr. Hill will locate at Salem to practice his profession.

Japanese Accept the Views of the British

Favor Proposal to Discuss Capital Ships at Naval Conference.

Geneva, Switzerland.—Suddenly taking on a new angle, the tripartite naval conference was faced by a new situation when the Japanese delegation with considerable solemnity announced that, since the British proposal to discuss capital ships appeared to possess the merit of promising diminished naval expenditures the delegation had cabled to Tokio asking for new instructions.

Virtually the entire Japanese delegation, headed by Admiral Saito, ceremoniously filed into the hall, where the newspaper men had been requested to meet them. After the distribution of a long statement touching on Japan's general attitude in the conference, Viscount Ishih, ex-foreign minister, in addition to explaining the statement in the above sense, declared in answer to a question concerning the probability of a three-power security pact that so far as Japan was concerned there was no idea of proposing any security treaty.

Viscount Ishih's remarks were of a tenor to give the distinct impression that the Japanese delegation is sympathetic now to the British idea on discussing at Geneva some fundamental features of the Washington treaty—a plan which was opposed vigorously hitherto by the American delegation.

The British proposal, with regard to reduction of the tonnage of capital ships and the extension of their age, he continued, appeared undoubtedly to have the merit of leading in no small measure to a reduction in general naval outlays.

Washington, D. C.—The United States was pictured by state department officials as unalterably opposed to acceptance of the British proposal to revise at the Geneva conference the Washington arms treaty provisions affecting battleship and cruiser tonnages.

HALF MILLION SPENT IN D'AUTREMONT HUNT

Spokane, Wash.—It cost a half million dollars to bring the three De-Autremonts, confessed Slakiyou bandit-murders, to justice, Charles Riddiford, United States postoffice inspector, who directed the manhunt for four years, made this estimate at his headquarters.

The federal government, Southern Pacific railroad and American Express company have paid approximately \$500,000 for reward posters and expenses, he added.

The reward for the arrest of Hugh, first of the brothers to be captured, probably will go to a soldier, who at Angel Island, Cal., recognized in the circular of Hugh the picture of the man with whom he had served in the Philippines. A \$5000 reward was offered for each of the brothers.

Following Hugh's arrest, a second series of photographs, more accurate than the first broadside, was distributed. A man at Steubenville, O., recognized the twins, Roy and Ray, and told authorities. Mr. Riddiford did not give the names of the two men who first recognized the fugitives.

U. S. PACT WELCOMED

All France for Treaty of Amity, Says Premier Poincare.

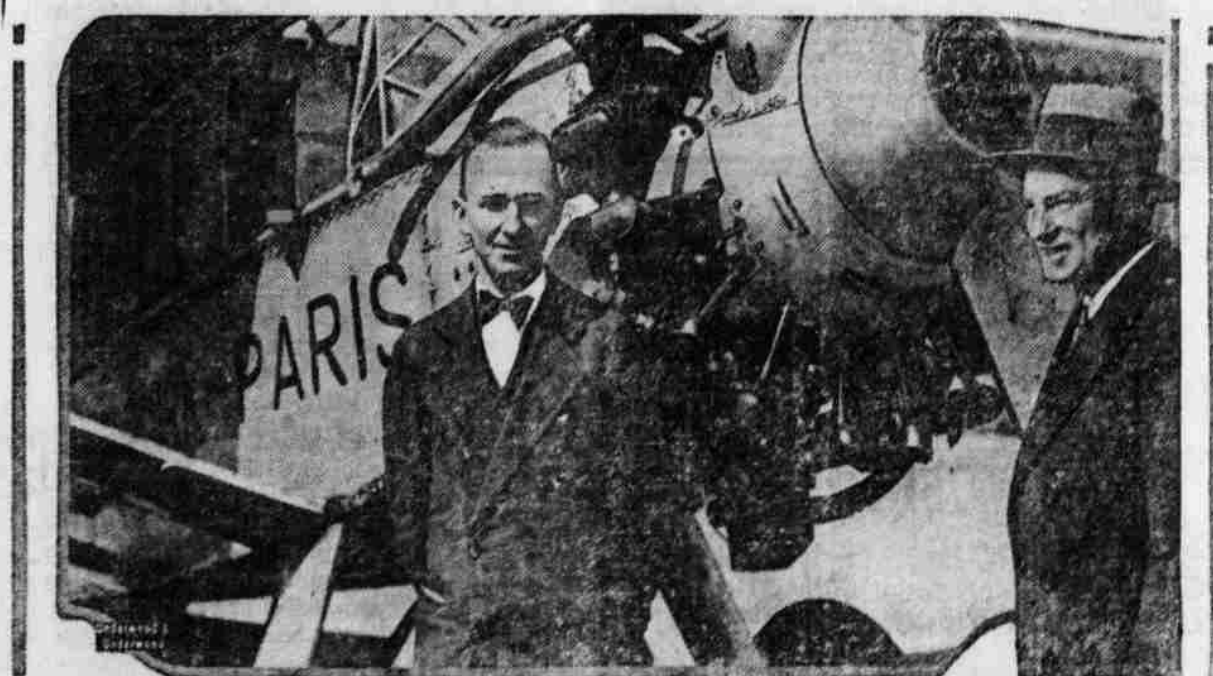
Paris.—All France would rejoice at the signature of a pact of perpetual amity between France and the United States, such as that proposed by Foreign Minister Briand, Premier Poincare told the American club of Paris at a luncheon at which he was the guest of honor.

But such a pact, the premier remarked, would only be a re-statement of the deep sentiment of friendship that has existed between the two peoples from the American revolution down to the world war and which was again revealed in the French welcome to Colonel Lindbergh.

Cattle Inspection Law Held Invalid.

Portland, Or.—The cattle brand and inspection law passed at the instigation of the Cattle and Horse Raisers' association was declared unconstitutional by the federal court.

Chamberlin and Levine Fly to Germany



Clarence D. Chamberlin and Charles A. Levine standing before the Wright-Bellanca plane Columbia just before their start on the successful nonstop flight from New York to Elsieben, Germany.