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## Economic Highlights

Happenings That Affect the Dinable from Local Welfare.

Labor Day marks the end of summer and the beginning of fall, from the industrial standpoint. In an ordinary year, manufacturers speed up Landon or Roosevelt is a "so-indproduction after the seasonal summer drop, retailers build up inventories and the industriel machine swings into high gear after a few Warnings of Danger months of Idling.

This year, in the face of seasonal influences, there was ilttle summer recession-most businesses continued to make progress during the hot vacation month. And, as fall begins, homes result from one of three all the signs point to continued im- causes-overheated flatirons, tamprovement. The national election pered fuses, or defective wires (innotwithstanding, the recovery movement seems to be so strong that there are some other causes but nothing can seriously dampen it, these three are the most common. The feeling that the movement will Flatiron fires are probably the most be little affected by the results of common causes of all. It is surpristhe election is becoming more wide- ing how often housewives and maids spread.

There is also a feeling that whecourse of the national government can not be greatly changed. It is probably true that Mr. Landon would make an effort to reduce taxes-but he, like the President, is pledged to Federal aid to farmers. the needy and others, all of which costs money. He has likewise gone on record in favor of a Federal sonot, according to all observers, be ing that the next Congress will hold a check rein on any new major exevent of his reelection.

Some recent reports follow, taken ed there is no question about the Colonel E.V.D. Murphey, commandmodels save in details. Important ply irons and should not be used. development is a Packard entry in the low-medium price field where competition is keenest. Commercial car makers expect to sell 600,000 1929

revised upward by most big mills. severe test and the less rugged ones TEXTILES-This is another basic go to pieces quickly. Unfortunately, industry which is holding to high the country has experienced an epilevels, will continue to better pro- demic of low quality cords which power companies. The private utili- how to distinguish between standard planning commission. gradually decline. RAILROADS-Some lines are faced shortages, due to stimulated freight business. Upshot is that rolling stock buying is on a high level, will probably jump sharply soon. The railroad profits are better than in any recent year, but still average of fixed charges.

Thought for election day: In very few countries can the people express their opinion of the governmenteither informally or in their official apacity as voters. To denounce Hitler in Germany

means death or long imprisonment ner Pails, Dividend Checks and Tax To speak a word against Mussolin! Bills of Every Individual. National in Italy makes you the worst preand International Problems Insepar- sible insurance risk. To mildly criticize Stalin in the U.S.S.R. gives employment to a firing squad. So it goes in Poland, Rumania, Spain, Austria and elsewhere.

In this country you can say that so" and no one will bother you.

## of Fires from Poor Wiring and Fixtures

Most of the electrical fires in cluding flexible cords). Of course, forget their irons and let them ignite the ironing boards. We saw one ther Landon or Roosevelt wins the report recently where an iron burned through the ironing board, fell to the floor and burned a hole clear through the floor. We have found that it is practically impossible to start a fire with the newer type of automatic flatirons so we advocate their use. Before these irons become hot enough to burn fabric or wood they automatically turn off the cur-

from various authoritative sources: | iron being off, but if the iron is con- ant of the unit here. AUUTOMOBILES- Production has nected to a key or pullchain sockst The University team was but five are invited to attend the session,

STEEL-This basic industry is hold- this source, but when the circuit is and The Citadel, 184.6. ing up extremely well, is operating extended out into a room through a at around 70 per cent of capacity flexible cord, there seems to be no Governor Martin with gains forecast for the immedi- limit to the abuse that a cord can ate future. Steel price lists are being get. Even the best cords are given a

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"We're agreed on what must be done for the farmer," said Frank O. Lowden (left), former governor of Illinois and long a champion of Middle Western farmers, after this meeting with Gov. Alf M. Landon of Kansas, Republican Presidential candidate in Chicago. Mr. Lowden, a pioneer in the field of soil conservation, plans a series of speeches for Governor Landon, the first of which will be made over the Columbia nationwide radio network on October 6th.

cription and progress report of the

## U.O. Rifle Team Wins First Place C. C. Fristoe, who is in charge of

the project; panel discussion by re-University of Oregon. Eugene, presentatives of Jackson, Josephine, cial security law. Mr. Landon would rent. This might be worth mention- September 30.-Although the Uni- Coos, Curry, Lane, and Douglas ing but of course is not the answer versity of Hawaii R.O.T.C. rifle team counties of possible value of other an experimenter-but there is a feel- for those women who have non-au- placed first with a score of 214.73 mineral surveys; luncheon at noor tomatic irons. For these women, a to win the trophy, "Warrior of the with Governor Martin as speaker, caution to always idsconnect the Pacific", the University of Oregon and afternoon session for discussion periments by Mr Roosevelt, in the iron by pulling out the attachment 34 man squad ranked highest of all of problems growing out of developplug is the best that can be done. institutions in the Continental Uni- ment and conservation of Oregon's Whe nthe cord has been disconnect- ted States, it was announced here by mineral resources.

dropped sharply, due to preparation or controlled by a wall switch, it is points behind the Hawaii squad, Mr. Harding announces. The meetfor new models. Production will be easy to make a mistake and think which entered a team of 22 men. ing is expected to draw several hunhigh during the next few months, the iron is off when it really is on. The score is figured as the average dred people. may touch record figures. There Irons should be connected to a con- per man, and Oregon with a much have been no major changes in the venience outlet in the wall rather larger group made a mark of 209.09. automobile field, and new cars will than to a socket. Sockets have not The average set by the Oregon not be much different from 1936 the current-carrying capacity to sup- marksmen was well ahead of the ested, it is stated. nearest competitor, the University of A close second to the flatiron in Maine, which scored an average of causing electrical fires is the flexible 197.72. Rutgers University, with a cord. If the wires in the walls have score of 193.7, was next followed in been properly installed by a capable order by Creighton University. units this year, winch will surpass electrician and have been inspected, 191.17; Oklahoma A. & M., 191.05; there is not so much danger from [Unviversity of Michigan, 185.83

> To Deliver Address At Mining Meet

## "Rock of Marne" **Papers** are Placed

The most important document proceed with the career of the late are on display in the Horner museum at Oregon State college where they have been added to the permanent collections.

One of the most interesting exhibits is a large special book filled with the commissions and citations that marked General MacAlexan der's career from the time he was appointed as a cadet to the United States military academy until he was commissioned to one of the highest ranks in the army. His commissions bear the original signatures of Presidents Grover Cleveland, Will liam McKinley, William Taft, Woodrow Wilson, Warren G. Harding, and

The citations contained in the collection include some of the highest awards from the French. Italian and American governments. One large display case contains 25 item of war mementos, including a bulletcarred helmet worn by him in the ttle from which he received his

### Quirk in Postal **Regulations** Found

Douglas county mineral survey, by local postoffice, following the appearance of a number of letters in Has Failed", imprinted with a rubber stamp in the lower left hand corner



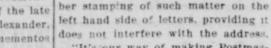
A peculiar quirk in postal regula-'ons has just come to light in the

# In O.S.C. Museum

Major General U. G. MacAlexander, as well as valuable war mementos

Calvin Coolidge.

nickname of "Rock of the Marne."



es, Calif.

"It's our way of making Postmaster Farley help us bring back prohibition," Miss Hubler said, in explaining the "repeal-has-failed" rubber stamp crusade.

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this purpose by Ethel Hubler, editor

of a temperance paper in Los Augel-

Postal regulations, it was discov-

ered, forbid the use of a gummed

sticker on the front of first class

mail, but permit the printing or rub-

38 Per Cent to Bosses More than 38 per cent of the money expended by WPA has gone administration purposes. for cording to Harry Hopkins, WPA director. Of each \$972 spent, only \$600 went to the workers and \$372 for administration overhead.

### **Reduced Automobile Licenses**

Alf Landon, as governor of Kansas, reduced the automobile license fee by 50 per cent, and increased the total amount collected by seeing to it that every owner of a car paid the reduced price.

Cockeyed Tax Law "This (The Surplus Tax law) is the most cockeyed piece of tax legislation ever imposed in a modern country and if I am elected I shall recommend the immediate repeal of this vicious method of taxation . . . Actually it has no relation to 'soaking the rich'. What it does is to protect the big fellow who still has a reserve, and tie a millstone around the neck of the little fellow."-Alf M. Landon at Buffalo, N. Y.



AIR TRANSPORT-Is establishing around the cords at intervals of five new records, according to Business feet. Week-for the first time in the in-

dustry's history, passengers carried exceeded 100,000 in July.

that the unemployed rolls are decreasing, but slowly. And it is a sad trial production has not been accompanied by an equivalent percent-Governor Landon, favor it, though fuse has been entirely defeated. Afthey criticize New Deal methods.

Yes, the business picture is painted in bright colors these days. And ing what effect that will have on the er company will send promptly to presidential race. Will the electorate most localities. give the credit for it to Mr. Roosevelt and endorse him-or will it re-

duction and sales figures. The cot- have been bought readily by houseton mills are exceptionally active. hølders who have not realized that UTILITIES- Electric power con- there may be hazard in their use. sumption has surprised everyone -- We believe that the public would not taken up at the Southwestern Oreit is commonly said that surplus pro- hesitate to pay two or three cents duction capacity, on the average, more for an appliance or a cord to may get too low this fall and result get a product built up to recognized in big construction activities by the safety standards if they were advised ing, chairman of the Douglas county

ties, as well as the government, are and sub-standard cords. There are giving much thought and effort to some cords on the market with insuspeeding rural electrification devel- lation that is considerably below mine operators, and will deliver the opments. The rate level continues to standard thickness and is made of main address at the noon luncheon. an unvulcanized compound of very low grade rubber. It is possible to

with the prospect of equipment cause a short-circuit in these cords Douglas county planning commissimply by stepping on them. In the last four years such cords have caus- here.

ed more than 500 fires in the city of Chicago. As electrical inspectors, we urge the use of cords which comply less than 3 per cent after payment ards of Underwriters' Laboratories. It is easy to identify these cords by the bracelet-like labels wrapped this region, it is announced.

Fuses are another source of hazard which might well be mentioned.

The fuse is the safety valve of the EMPLOYMENT-All surveys show electrical system and when it is in melts to open the circuit. For most good working order will safeguard house circuits, fuses should be markagainst short circuits that may oc- ed "15 amperes" or "15 amps." or but true fact that the rise in indus- cur anywhere in the house. The fuse "15 A." Fuses of this rating should contains a link of metal which will be used unless some qualified permelt when too much current passes son advises that the wires are of age rise in workers employed. One through it and in so melting, opens large size than usual and that fuses interesting result of this is found in the circuit. If a fuse has been tam- of ingher rating may be safely used. the political platforms. When the pered with, by a so-called "handy Here again it is wise to use fuses President started Federal relief for man" or a boy who wanted to be which carry the label of Underwrith eunemployed. Republican spokes- helpful, and a piece of metal which ters' Laboratories to be assured that men were biting in denunciation. will not melt substituted for the the fuses will perform their function Now Republican leaders, including fuse link, the safety function of the properly

ter a fuse has blown, the circuit should be restored only by inserting a new fuse, either by the occupant the commentators are still wonder- or by a service man which the pow-

It is important to use fuses of the proper rating for the wires in able, think that a Republican president could speed matters up still are used, they will not blow out more? Surveys indicate that the when the wires are overloaded, that election will be very close, with the is when too many appliances are betting odds favering Mr. Roosevalt. | connected to the circuit at the same

ROSEBURG, Ore .- Actual mining work, prospects for minerals in various localities, and value of mineral surveys will be practical topics to be gon mineral resources conference to be held here October 3, it was announced here today by J. A. Hard-

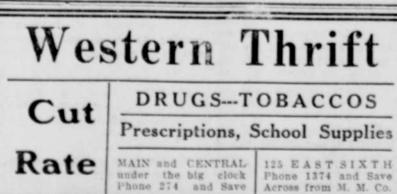
Governor Martin will enter into these discussions with practical it was announced. The session will be under the joint auspices of the

sion and the chamber of commerce

The state planning board will hold its October session here Saturda yalso, and in the afternoon peoin all respects with the safety stand- ple of this section will have an opportunity to meet with the board members and discuss problems of

> The complete program for the mining conference includes a des-

time. In such a case, the wires may become hot before the fuse link



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