

MANY CHILDREN PERISHED IN FIRE

Parochial School in Massachusetts Burned, Causing Death By Crush.

DOORS TURNING INWARD
HELPED THE TRAGEDY

672 in the Building Were in
Panic As They Got From
the Building.

(By United Press)
Peabody, Mass., Oct. 28.—Fifty lives were snuffed out, and 12 more will die as a result of the fire of St. John's Parochial school, according to estimates of firemen and physicians this afternoon. Mothers are temporarily insane with grief; half-naked children are rushing wildly amidst the crowds about a score of broken and charred bodies are stretched in a row on the ground while the ruins smoldered and smoked. Such was the scene as the firemen delved in the charred timbers for more bodies. Twenty-one bodies were recovered this afternoon. Many were burned to a crisp.

Peabody, Mass., Oct. 28.—At least twenty-one children perished when an explosion in the basement of the St. Johns Parochial school caused a terrible fire, as six hundred seventy-two of them were gathered for the morning session. Their bodies were found. It seems certain that more are in the ruins. Many were caught in the jammed doorway and were crushed to death as they sought to flee. A panic followed. Doors swinging inward were responsible for many of the deaths. Before the first horrified children could swing back the doors, the rush behind swept them into the fatal crush. Still others ran to the windows, and bewildered, they jumped. Neighbors caught tiny forms by spreading blankets, and in their arms. When the firemen came the main doors were jammed with bodies. The flames spread so rapidly the children in attempting to escape by the stairways were confronted by billows of smoke. Twenty children were seriously injured. The fire was beyond control when the firemen arrived. The ages of the dead ranged from eight to twelve years. The building had no fire escapes.

TWO CASES BEFORE JUDGE IN JUVENILE COURT TODAY

Two cases were tried before Judge McKnight in the juvenile court today. Thomas Easton was dismissed on the charge of cutting the harness in the barn of W. J. Turnidge near Crabtree last Sunday. Lack of evidence was the reason.

Willie Moench, who was arrested with Harold Rhodes at the Red Crown mill last Saturday night, for stealing beer out of the Oregon Electric freight depot, was sentenced to the state training school at Salem. The sentence has not been issued yet, but the boy was pronounced delinquent and will be taken down by Sheriff Bodine tomorrow unless he decides to tell what the officials think is the truth in the matter. He swears that he was not implicated in the beer business and knows nothing of the stealing, and gives testimony directly contrary to that of S. W. Singleton, who made the arrest.

Constable Catlin, Sheriff Bodine, S. W. Singleton and wife and H. S. Logan were called on as witnesses. The investigation was conducted by Deputy District Attorney Willard Marks.

Marriage License—
Was issued to Frank Verker and Milchi Kruml, both of Scio. Both are natives of Austria.

Miss Rose Train returned to Portland this morning after a visit with her uncle, S. S. Train.

AUTO HAS HEAD ON COLLISION WITH HORSE

Linn Houston, Passing Clyde Meeker, Drives into R. L. DeVaney Machine.

While passing a horse and buggy driven by Clyde Meeker last evening, Linn Houston, driving a horse and buggy collided with R. L. DeVaney's auto, with more or less serious results to both parties. Mrs. DeVaney was thrown from the car and bruised considerably, though not seriously, and Mr. Houston was thrown from his seat in the buggy when it tipped over. The horse was cut along the shoulder and on the hip.

The two parties met on the Salem road about two miles east of the city. Clyde Meeker was driving home ahead of Linn Houston, son of R. E. Houston, who lives near Knox Butte four miles east of this city. The latter attempted to pass Meeker and did so, but shortly after getting ahead of the other rig the DeVaney car was seen bearing down on him. Houston states that he thought at first that it was a bicycle coming, for he saw but one light. The accident occurred about 5:30 or nearly 6:00 o'clock and Mr. DeVaney states that he had two front lights burning.

The collision was head on. The horse climbed on the right fender of the car, bent the hood, broke the right lamp and both glasses in the windshield by sticking its head through, receiving a badly cut lip on the broken glass, as well as other bruises. The shaves of the buggy were broken and some spokes knocked out of one of the wheels where the horse stepped into it.

"It seemed like an unavoidable accident," said Mr. DeVaney. "I saw the buggy turn out and come towards me but I kept the right side of the road at the time. I slid my wheels about 15 feet and threw the engine into reverse, which killed it. I was almost stopped at the time we hit. From the way the horse hit my car it looks as though Mr. Houston had just turned out for the rig was coming at me on an angle. It was unfortunate, but I don't know that anyone is to blame so I guess the best thing to do is to just get things fixed up. It could have been a whole lot worse, and I am glad no one was hurt."

Mr. Houston, father of the boy who was driving at the time of the accident, says the horse's lip is cut almost through, and is in a bad way today. The cut and bruise on the right shoulder is quite a bad one and the animal is skinned and bruised in various places. The car was brought to the Albany garage last evening and is awaiting repairs.

Attorney Geo. W. Wright, and Dan W. Rumbaugh, of this city, returned last evening from a week's successful deer hunt above Whitcomb.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Anthony went to Salem this morning for a short visit.

The Misses Margaret and Dora Stewart went to Portland this morning for a visit with their sister.

Mrs. F. W. Kreig went to Eugene today to take her daughter to a specialist for treatment.

Hector Macpherson came over from Corvallis yesterday.

NAVAL EXAMINATIONS AT SALEM ON FEBRUARY 15

The office of Congressman W. C. Hawley today announced that there would be held in Salem on November 5 and 6 a competitive examination for the purpose of establishing a register of young men who are eligible for appointment to the United States Naval Academy from the first congressional district of Oregon. The government particularly desires that all nominees be carefully examined both mentally and physically before being designated to take the entrance examinations for admission to the academy.

Representative Hawley invites all young men who are residents of the first congressional district of Oregon between the ages of 16 and 20 years on the third Tuesday in February, 1916, who may desire to enter the naval academy to enter the competitive examination at Salem.—Salem Journal.

There are said to be one or two applicants from Albany.

ENTIRE FRENCH CABINET RESIGNS

Said to Be Caused By Dissatisfaction Over Management of the War.

FOREIGN MINISTER
STARTED THE SLIDE

Movement Begun Already For
the Establishment of a
New Cabinet.

(By United Press)
Paris, Oct. 28.—The entire French cabinet resignation is announced officially. Following the resignations President Poincaré asked Aristide Briand to form a new ministry. Back of the resignation of the cabinet loomed France's dissatisfaction with war developments. People disapproved of the failure of progress in the west, and the failure of the allied diplomats to win Bulgaria to their side. The crisis has been brewing for some days. The resignation of Foreign Minister Delcasse was the first outward sign of trouble. Premier Viviani at that time assumed Delcasse's post in addition to his own. The resignation of the entire cabinet however, came as a surprise. France saw in it the possibility of an upset in the English cabinet.

Cruiser Stranded.
(By United Press)
London, Oct. 28.—The British cruiser Argyll is stranded on the east coast of Scotland, caused by bad weather. It is feared it will be a total wreck. The crew were saved.

EUROPEAN WAR NATIONS SELLING BONDS HERE

Bonds Offered at Rates That
Will Not As High As
Ten Per Cent.

Albany banks have received circulars and letters from representatives of European nations, offering terms for war loans, showing the big effort that is being made to raise money for the war. The whole United States is evidently being flooded, and most of the belligerent nations are seeking to get money. A Chicago house is trying to get \$50,000,000 at 5 per cent interest. The German bonds are of 1924 and the rate is 5 per cent, payable semi-annually. At the offer made, though, the bonds net about 8 per cent, but it is said that on account of the exchange rate will reach about ten per cent. In the application the national wealth of Germany is placed at \$75,000,000,000, and it is declared that since the war began the savings deposits of the country have increased instead of decreased, showing the thrift of the people. Many people are afraid of war bonds, and Albany is not liable to invest, and yet these German bonds are undoubtedly a good business proposition.

Petition for Administrator—
John A. Bishop, of Salem, has been appointed administrator of the estate of Louisa Peterson, who died in Forsythe, Fraford, Sochen, province of Vermland, Sweden, March 11th, 1912. An estate of \$1200 in Linn county was left the deceased by bequest.

Complaints Filed—
H. M. Hawkins and H. C. Atwell, in two separate complaints, have commenced suit to compel A. C. Schmitt to pay into the treasury of the Linnhaven Orchard Co. \$22,500, alleged to be due on stock issued the defendant.

Suit for Divorce—
Mabel Buckley today began suit for divorce against Ray Buckley. She asks that a decree be granted and that she be allowed to resume her maiden name of Mabel Hansard.

Complaint to Partition—
A suit to partition land was filed today by Ruth A. Smith vs. Albert F. Smith, et al.

ENGLAND SAYS NO NEGOTIATIONS FOR PEACE

That War Will Last Until Europe's Freedom Is Satisfactorily Guaranteed.

(By United Press)
London, Oct. 28.—"Certainly not," Lloyd George said in the house of commons in reply to a question whether unofficial exchanges with a view to peace were in progress between London and Berlin. He declared that Premier Asquith's pledge that there will be no peace until Europe's freedom is guaranteed holds good. Moreover, he declared, England would not think of peace except by an agreement with the allies.

HOOD RIVER WOMAN PRESIDENT WOMEN'S FEDERATION

Other Officers Elected From
Different Parts of the State
at Salem Convention.

(By United Press)
Salem, Oct. 28.—Mrs. C. M. Coatner, of Hood River, was elected president of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs over Miss Marian Towne, of Phoenix, Oregon's first woman member of the legislature. Miss Mary Beatty, of Salem, was elected first vice president, and Mrs. J. W. Tiffet, of Portland, second vice president.

Philharmonic Society of New York.
New York, Oct. 28.—The 74th seasonal of Philharmonic society musical programs, which for years have brought music lovers to this city from throughout the United States, opened today at Carnegie hall.

There will be twelve Thursday evening, sixteen Friday afternoon, four Saturday evening and twelve Sunday afternoon concerts in Carnegie hall; also two concerts for young people at Aeolian hall, during the season.

There will be two membership lecture concerts at the Astor, an evening of light music at the Waldorf, five Sunday afternoon concerts at the Brooklyn academy; also a Bach-Bethoven festival in January, at which Bach's "Magnificat" and Beethoven's "Ninth" Symphony will be offered.

No Need of a Home.

A friend of our who recently purchased an automobile says that before he got his machine he never could quite understand how it was that people would mortgage or trade their home for one; but now that he is perfectly clear to him. Since he has his auto it is an expense to have a home for the little time he is there to enjoy it.—Dallas Observer.

Mrs. E. M. Watts left this morning for Portland to spend Sunday at the home of her daughter.

SALEM WITHOUT BRIDGE ACROSS THE WILLAMETTE

Salem, Oct. 27.—With the closing by order of the Marion and Polk county courts Monday of the old bridge across the Willamette river at Salem, the two counties face the necessity of obtaining funds for construction of a new bridge. The money for Marion county's share of the new structure is available.

Polk county faces the serious problem of finding a way legally to levy a tax to pay the cost of construction. The county already has reached the limit of its levy for this coming year, it is pointed out. Now that the bridge is closed to traffic because of its declared unsafe condition, a ferry will be operated.

The state highway department has prepared plans for a new bridge and these will doubtless be adopted when the structure is finally built. The proposed structure will connect with Marion street here, one block north of the present bridge. The plans call for a concrete or steel bridge. The former will cost \$225,000, while if steel is used the cost will be cut to \$190,000. The bridge will be 1110 feet long, consisting of four 150-foot spans, one 140-foot movable span and five arches of 74 feet each. Engineer Holmes, of the state highway department, designed the bridge.

SERBIANS BEING GROUND TO PIECES

An Irresistible Offensive Is
Smashing the Small Nation
Beyond Repair.

PRACTICALLY HEMMED
IN ON THREE SIDES

Teutons on North, Austrians
on West and the Bulgarians
on the East.

Vienna, Oct. 28.—The Serbian defenders are being ground beneath an irresistible offensive, smashing from three sides. The Teutons are still plowing southward along a hundred mile front.

The Austrians have gained in the western frontier. The Bulgarians control the eastern front. Having joined at Ljubicevac in Northeastern Serbia, the Central allies and Bulgars are consolidating their positions preparatory to sending a supply of shipments to Turkey. The Teutons must gain stronger control of the railroad to Saloniki before they can reach Constantinople.

London, Oct. 28.—One hundred and fifty thousand French troops with 100 big guns were landed at Saloniki to aid the Serbians, according to Bucharest advices.

Berlin, Oct. 28.—The official statement claims German advance on all fronts.

CHEHALIS PAPER SPEAKS HIGHLY OF H. R. WORTH

Will Not Come Until After First
of the Year; Closing Business
Now.

The Lewis County Advocate, of Chehalis, Wash., says of H. R. Worth, who is to open a store in Albany in the Wallace block probably about the first of the year:

Having closed a deal whereby L. Proffitt, the well known Centralia dry goods dealer, will take over his store on January 1, and having decided to open a large department store in Albany, Oregon, immediately after the first of the year, H. R. Worth will commence closing out his stock of dry goods and ladies furnishings tomorrow. Mr. Worth announces that he will positively close his store in this city Dec. 24.

Mr. Worth has been in business in Chehalis a little more than five years and has established a reputation for honest merchandising that any merchant might well be proud of. In his closing out sale, as at all times during his stay here, people may depend upon his advertising.

Mrs. R. M. Russell went to Shelburn on the morning train.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Newport went to Salem this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Mesman and daughters went to Portland this morning.

Mrs. Markutz left yesterday for San Diego, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Kessel went to Walla Walla, Wash., yesterday.

W. O. Nisley went to Portland this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Knox and baby went to Portland this morning to visit at the homes of their parents.

Geo. E. Schaeffer, of Salem, is in the city on business.

Wm. Panck left for Portland this morning on a business trip.

Miss Myrtle Gaylord and sister, Agnes, went to Salem this morning to visit for a few days.

ALBANY MEN VISIT COUNTY SEAT OF POLK

Help Dallas Boosters to Get a
Start in Establishing a
Salesday.

Helping Dallas business men to boost for a salesday, a company of five Albany business men, A. L. Fisher, L. E. Hamilton, A. C. Schmitt, C. H. Stewart and F. P. Nutting and one Iowa man, went to that city last night in Mr. Schmitt's Cadillac, leaving here at 3:30 and reaching there an hour and forty minutes afterwards. On account of the muddy roads down Springhill way the trip was made by going towards Corvallis three or four miles and then out into the foothills down to Monmouth and across to Polk's fine county seat city, thirty-two miles in all, through one of the finest sections of the state, past many farms whose owners have put themselves on the financial map.

Dallas is one of the most prosperous cities on the west side, and some live business men in the center of its activities, but a salesday is one of the things they have not yet tackled, presenting a problem some of them have been trying to solve; but always running up against too much expense.

Dallas was having a big teachers' institute and the school ma'ams and masters were all around, among them being an Albany young lady, Miss Mary Bryant, teaching the Perrydale school. The Hotel Gail was their headquarters, the only hotel now running there, and the teachers got the first whack at the dinner table. Henry Serr, a former well known commercial traveler who used to visit Albany, is "mine host." A fine meal was served, enjoyed with several Dallas men, and a salesday meeting was then had in the Polk county court house, a building to be proud of, made of Polk county stone, and well arranged.

Mayor E. C. Kirkpatrick, who once many years ago, resided at Albany for a few months, presided and there was a talkfest for a couple of hours. A. L. Fisher, of this city, delivered the address, showing the value of the salesday and how to go at it, as well as the attendant things that go with it. Others spoke, and then on motion of a Dallas man it was voted unanimously as the sentiment of the meeting that the city should have a salesday. A matter to be settled is the location, a building being considered necessary during the winter and other numerous expenses Albany has never had to contend with, the cost of running the Albany salesday being nominal. A big thing in salesday is to have a man like A. L. Fisher to keep it going regardless of obstructions.

A return trip was made through Independence, with everything closed except the saloons and a couple of restaurants with parties, up through the shadows of the country, dodging jack rabbits along the road, or if they didn't get out of the way shooting them, and Albany was reached just before midnight.

Body Found Headless.
Pittsburg, Oct. 28.—The body of Miss Sophia McCallin, society woman, was found headless, mutilated beside the Pennsylvania tracks at Roup last night. The case is a mystery.

DEATH OF ALICE HUTCHINS AT AGE OF TWENTY YEARS

Miss Alice Hutchins died last night at the home of her father R. W. Hutchins, near this city, at the age of twenty years. She was a native of this county, a young woman of splendid character, who will be greatly missed by her many friends and relatives. Her twin sister died on Feb. 15, and her mother a few years ago. Besides her father she leaves two sisters, Mrs. Clyde Peacock and Mrs. Wesley Lochner, and a brother, Roy Hutchins.

The funeral service will be held tomorrow at 10 a. m. at the home in the country. Rev. Geselbracht preaching the sermon.

Wants Short Week.
Montevideo, Oct. 28.—It was announced today that the chief executive will send a recommendation to parliament asking a revision of the calendar shortening the week to six days and making the seventh arbitrary a national holiday.

MAYOR'S VETOES ARE SUSTAINED

Near Beer Amendment and Bill
Regulating Palmistry Are
Voted Down.

RECORDER AND TREASURER'S
REPORTS ARE ACCEPTED

Special Session Will Be Held
Monday Evening to Consider
1916 Budget.

Sustaining the mayor's vetoes on two ordinances passed at the last session of the council, taking a rap at the press for indulging in a little publicity on the amendment to the near-beer ordinance, and transacting a small amount of regular business, the city council held a short but interesting session last night.

The report of the committee on accounts and current expenses was adopted, allowing bills amounting to \$83.15.

Two bills passed at the last session of the council were returned by Mayor L. M. Carl with his vetoes, both of which were sustained. In returning the bill regulating the practice of palmistry, clairvoyance, and fortune telling, Mayor Carl stated that he was opposed to the use of the emergency clause except in extreme cases, and he also opposed the ordinance because the license fees were prohibitive, and would not regulate the business.

Regarding the veto of the amendment to the so-called "near beer" ordinance, the mayor stated that it was of the opinion the amendment was dangerous to the local option law. He stated that he was sure the council was sincere in passing the bill and did not mean to interfere with the liquor ordinance, but he was sure the passage of the bill would defeat the present law. "The near beer ordinance was passed not because the liquids that were being sold were intoxicating in character, but because it offered an opportunity to make of the near beer a subterfuge for the sale of the real article. It made it easy for those so disposed to violate the local option law, and it was the desire of the council to prevent such violations."

In closing the mayor said, "In reference to this matter I feel committed. Before I was elected I promised the people that if I was elected I would enforce the local option law as faithfully as any other ordinance of this city. The people of Albany have several times voted dry, and I must therefore believe that it is the desire that every possible safeguard shall be thrown around the local option law in order to aid and assist in enforcing the same. I believe that a majority of the people would not be satisfied to allow the change made by the amendment, and therefore veto the bill."

The quarterly reports of City Treasurer H. B. Cusick and City Recorder F. E. Van Tassel were presented and adopted. The total receipts for the quarter were \$25,868.18. This includes money from the sale of sewer bonds (levy assessments and interest, sewer assessments, money for grading and

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Three women Carrying Votes Pleas

Washington, Oct. 28.—The "cross-country tour" of Mrs. Sara Bard Field and Miss Frances Jolliffe, envoys from the Woman Voters' convention at San Francisco; and Miss Mabel Vernon is expected to swing into Minneapolis tomorrow. The envoys have nearly half a million petitions asking congress for national suffrage. From Minneapolis the envoys will go to St. Paul for several days. They will be in Chicago November 6 to 9; Indianapolis, November 10 and 11; Detroit, November 12 and 13; Toledo, November 14, Columbus, November 15 and 16; Cleveland, Nov. 17; Erie, Nov. 18; Buffalo, Nov. 19; Syracuse, Nov. 20; Albany, Nov. 21; Springfield, Nov. 23; Boston, Nov. 24; Providence, Nov. 26 and 27; New Haven, Nov. 27; New York City, Nov. 28; Newark, Nov. 29; Trenton, Nov. 30; Philadelphia, December 1 and 2; Wilmington, Dec. 3; Baltimore, Dec. 5 and Washington, December 6.