

THE WEATHER
Tonight and Thursday probably rain.

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ELECTRICAL WORK TO BE INSPECTED

Commissioners to Return to City With Electrical Expert and Prove Report.

CONTEST BETWEEN CITY ENGINEER AND COMMISSIONERS

Letter From Fire Marshall Wells to City Engineer Penland Received Today.

The fight is on between the State Fire Marshall's office and the office of the City Engineer of Albany. A copy of a letter mailed by Fire Marshall Harvey Wells to City Engineer John R. Penland was received here this noon and indicated that the state fire office is going to prove the statements recently made by the three commissioners who inspected the fire conditions in this city, or prove the men wrong.

Mr. Wells states that he has secured the services of an expert from the National Electrical Underwriters' Bureau, who will accompany the commissioners back to Albany and go over the electrical work installed here and make an inspection of the reports filed in the office of the city engineer.

Next Draft Movement Will Be Colored Troops

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.—The next draft movement, which is to take place from October 27 to 31, will consist entirely of colored troops, says an announcement from the Western Department headquarters of the railroad war board.

C. J. McDonald, assistant to Chairman William Sproule, says the total number of colored troops to be moved is about 83,000. Of this number, Camp Lewis' quota is only 400, or less than one per cent of the 46,100 troops raised in the Western Department.

NEW CLASSIFIED

BIG BEN—BABY BEN—Seth Thomas Echo, Lightning Indian, Sleepwater, Spasmodic—Top of Morn, Parker, the Slumber Disturber, Alarm Clocks, at F. M. French & Sons, Jewelers and Engravers 018-24

LOST—A package containing dry goods and pattern. Kindly leave at First National bank. Clyde Williamson. 023-25

WANTED—Furnished house or furnished rooms for housekeeping. Address V. Spielman, Albany, R. 6, care of Mary Jacobs. 025-27

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room, light, heat and large closet, reasonable to right party. Call 413 Wash. St., mornings. 026-29

Returned Last Night—Dr. B. R. Wallace returned to Albany last night and is at his office again today. He will return again to Seattle on Saturday.

JUDGE BINGHAM HEARS CIRCUIT COURT CASES

Divorces Were Granted and Civil Matters Occupied Attention of Court.

Judge G. G. Bingham opened court in the circuit court this morning and has been busy all day. He will probably be here all day tomorrow. Up to 2 o'clock one divorce had been granted, one was being tried and more were to come. Several other cases occupied the judge's attention.

In the case of the Douglas National bank of Roseburg, against Grace Wing Baker, Chas. W. Baker, F. W. Fay, etc., a decree of foreclosure on a mortgage was granted.

In the case of Eva F. Ford against Oscar Ingram et al, order entered confirming the sale of realty on execution.

In the case of J. W. Cusick & Co. against Margaret Blodgett and the Pacific States Savings & Loan Co., default was entered as to the Pacific States Loan Co., and dismissed as to Margaret Blodgett.

A decree of divorce was entered in the case of Willia Button against J. A. Button on grounds of desertion. The case of L. T. Dike of Gates against Tillie Dike, suit for divorce, was begun at 1 o'clock. Dike alleges that a man named Welch was the cause of the trouble that broke up his home. Several witnesses were brought to testify in the case.

Weatherford & Weatherford represented the plaintiff, and Hill & Marks represented the state.

Two or three other cases for divorce will be taken up this afternoon.

The case of Ada Rorelle against W. W. Howes, to foreclose a mortgage of \$800 on a note, occupied the greater portion of the day and will continue over tomorrow.

THEATRES NOT TO INCREASE PRICE YET

Other Cities Go Up to 20 Cents But Albany Houses Will Only Add War Tax.

After a conference of the managers of the local theatres yesterday regarding the advisability of raising the admission price to 20 cents after November 1, no agreement was reached and the price will remain at 15 cents, with the addition of the two-cent war tax, which will make admissions cost 17 cents after that date.

In speaking of the matter today the manager of the Globe Theatre gave out the following statement:

"While other theatres all over the country are raising to 20 cents for regular pictures and 25 cents for special features, we have decided to continue at our old price for a while longer, with the addition of the war tax. We will be doing this at a loss to ourselves, and it remains up to the patrons of the theatre to show how long we will continue on this schedule.

"We considered the matter very carefully, but finally concluded not to raise. We will issue two tickets. One will be the regular ticket costing 15 cents. The other will be the war revenue ticket, costing two cents.

"Beginning with the first of November our running expenses will be an average of \$7.50 a day more on account of the higher class pictures which we will run. With the full Art Craft, New Paramount, and Goldwin services, our film cost will be greater, and if an increased patronage is shown we will continue at the old price. This means that 50 more people a day should attend our show for us to break even. With the class of pictures that we will exhibit, I fully expect them to do it."

Manager Cummings, of the Rolfe Theatre, which opens November 15, said he had nothing to say regarding the future price to be charged. "We will have to decide that after we open," he said. Every city in the valley has gone up to 20 cents, he said, "and if we give a first class bill of first-run pictures we may have to do the same. That will only mean a raise of three cents on our part."

COUNCIL CALLS SPECIAL ELECTION

Charter Amendments to Be Voted on Dec. 3 Regarding Changes in Elections.

OFFICERS TO HOLD FOR FOUR YEARS HEREAFTER

Speed Cop Not Elected This Week; Accounts and Minor Matters Close Council.

The necessary resolutions and ordinances were passed last night by the city council calling for a special election to be held December 3d, the original date for holding city elections in the past, for the purpose of voting upon amendments to the city charter.

The resolution passed last night will amend section 17 of Chapter 2 of the city charter, to make the city elections conform as to date with the county and state primaries and elections. Section 19 will be amended to name the polling places and three judges and two clerks. Section 21 fixes the hours as between 8 a. m. and 8 p. m. at the discretion of the council. Section 33 of Chapter 3 names the terms of office of mayor, councilman, recorder and chief of police at four years, two councilmen to be elected every two years.

The polling places were named as follows: Ward 1, County Recorder's office. Judges, Z. H. Rudd, Ed Washburn, Cora E. Hopkins; clerks, Harriett D. Van Tassel and Stella Hoover.

Ward 2, City Recorder's office. Judges, G. H. Young, Ella M. Swan and Dan Johnston; clerks, Leila Mitchell and Caroline Fish.

Ward 3, 104 South Main street, between First and Second streets. Judges, W. A. Eastburn, W. S. Walker and Anna Sharp; clerks, E. L. Umphreys and Dena Fromm.

The hours for voting at this election were fixed at from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m.

The matter of employing another speed cop was re-referred to the committee on health and police, and no election of such an officer will be made this week.

The resignation of John Spooner as truck driver of the fire department was read and placed on file.

GERMAN DESTROYER CHASES MISSIONARY'S BOAT TWO DAYS

Rev. M. C. Laap, a missionary of India, arrived here last night and will speak at the Mennonite church this evening, at 7 o'clock. He will talk to the children on customs and life of the children of India and at 8 o'clock he will give a lecture on India. He has been there 16 years. On the way, his ship was delayed on account of a German destroyer chasing them. For two days the lights were out, not even a match being lit.

Will Attend Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Churchill will go to Portland Friday to attend the 49th anniversary of the founding of the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

Visited Aunt

Mrs. Verne Miller of Seattle left this morning for home. She is returning from a trip to California and stopped here yesterday to visit her aunt, Mrs. J. M. Ralston.

Visited Father

Mrs. M. S. Delaney and children, who have been visiting Mrs. Delaney's father, C. H. Delaney, went to Corvallis this morning.

D. H. Stumpff went to Corvallis this morning on business.

Special communication of St. John's Lodge No. 17, A. F. & A. M. Friday evening, Oct. 26, at 7:30 o'clock. Work in the F. C. Degree. Visiting brethren welcome. JOHN R. PENLAND, W. M. 025-26

VAN WINKLE FUNERAL WILL BE AT BROWNSVILLE

Body of Well Known Minister and Pioneer to Be Buried Friday.

The funeral of Isaac N. Van Winkle, who died in Portland yesterday morning, was held from the family residence in that city this afternoon.

The body will be taken to Brownsville Friday, where the funeral at the grave will be held at 2:30 o'clock. The body and escort will leave the train at Halsey, the old home town of Rev. Van Winkle, and will be carried to Laurel Cemetery at Brownsville, where five of his children are buried.

ELK MEAT TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC MARKET

Deputy State Game Warden E. S. Hawker announced this morning that the elk meat, which was killed near the Santiam river nine miles north-east of here two weeks ago, has been turned over to the Red Cross and that it will be sold at the public market Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

One of his expert meat cutters from the Nebergall Meat company will carve the elk, which has been kept in cold storage all this time and should be as tender and deliciously flavored as a dish fit for the gods.

The meat will be sold by the pound to the public. While no definite price has been put on the meat, it is thought that choice cuts will go for \$1 a pound, the next best 75 cents and the next best at 50 cents a pound. A big line-up at the market, Second and Perry streets, is expected.

CITY NEWS

Visiting Daughter—Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Thompson of Silverton came up last night to visit their daughter, Miss Lloya Short, ridge.

Go to Summit—Mrs. Ralph Gerrard and children left this noon for Summit for a week's visit.

Woodworth Visiting Son—D. O. Woodworth left early this morning for Seattle to visit his son, Marshall Woodworth, before he is transferred to some point. Many of the boys with the hospital corps have recently been transferred to Minneapolis and Marshall expects to be moved at any time.

Lieut. Bragg Here—Lieut. C. H. Bragg of the depot brigade stationed at Ames in Lae's way in Albany this morning on his way to Corvallis to visit friends.

Working for Seno's Boys—H. E. Rand and wife, Harold E. Smile, Frederick L. Brown, John McInnes, Sidney W. Curtis, George D. Anderson, Leslie Cornack and Clarence Brown compose a party from Salt Lake City, who are on a sight-seeing trip. They have spent a couple of days in this city and left this morning for Corvallis and Eugene. Some of the young men are working on the way for scholarships to different universities by getting subscribers to magazines.

Gets Commission—Carl Burggraf, a former Albany boy and a nephew of C. H. Burggraf of this city, has been commissioned a first lieutenant in the U. S. army and is now stationed at Fort Riley.

Marriage Licenses Issued—Licenses to wed were issued Wednesday for the marriage of Ala H. Parrish, 46, a former, and Alma Viola Hoskins, 30, teacher, both of Soda-ville; and Willie F. Sylvester, 25, and Olive Carlson, 18, both of Shedd.

Filed Cross Bill—A cross bill was filed today to the plaintiff's amended complaint, in the case of John and Elsie Smith against L. R. Buck et al.

Here for Winter—Mrs. Francis Coates and little son arrived yesterday from Medford. Mr. Coates has been here some time and they will make their home here this winter with Mr. Coates' parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Coates.

Visiting at Biddies—Mrs. Florence Whittaker, of Independence, is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dell Biddle.

CAPTURE OF 10,000 REPORTED

Berlin Claims Italians and Staffs Were Taken in Isonzo Drive Today.

GERMANS PLAN RETIREMENT ON FLANDERS SECTOR

Huns Also Retreat on Riga Sector; Attempt to Land Troops Is Repulsed.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 25.—The Germans are attempting to land troops south of Werdor, but were repulsed, it is officially stated.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—General Haig reported another unsuccessful German counter attack south of Houthouls Wood.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 25.—(U. P.)—The civil evacuation of Kronstadt began today, it is officially announced. Evidently the government plans to concentrate its defenses on the Viborg, Helsingfors and Kronstadt fortifications.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 25.—Further German retreat on the Riga sector near Pekoy road is officially announced. The Germans dynamited bridges and buildings.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—(U. P.)—A decisive battle is being fought at Bamatza Plateau. The Austrians with 20 fresh divisions, including many Germans, are attempting a great offensive. The Italians, with French and British reinforcements, are prepared to hold their positions at all costs. Rome cables asserted Italian officials claim the enemy is willing to sacrifice thousands of men in the Isonzo, to strengthen their people's morale.

ROME, Oct. 25.—The Austro-Germans broke through the Italian front line left of Isonzo, it is officially stated.

PARIS, Oct. 25.—The French continued to advance toward Laon, Rozy arm, and other positions being captured, it is officially stated.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 25.—(U. P.)—It is reported that the civilian evacuation of Menin, Flanders, one of the principal objects of the British drive, indicates that the Germans expect to retreat.

PARIS, Oct. 25.—French airmen report that the Germans are destroying villages and trees, indicating that the Germans are preparing for a strategic retreat toward Laon.

BERLIN, Oct. 25.—(U. P.)—Ten thousand Italians, including brigade and divisional staffs, were taken prisoners in the Austro-German drive, it is officially announced. Much rich booty was taken.

BANDITS ROB HOTEL INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 25.—(U. P.)—Two bandits this afternoon robbed the auditor of the Washington Hotel of \$2,000 in cash, and escaped.

EDISON TO INVENT MACHINE

ORANGE, N. J., Oct. 25.—(U. P.)—Thomas Edison spent the last ten weeks on the high seas striving to perfect some means of defeating the submarine, his laboratories announced today. Edison has issued a Liberty Bond appeal. It is believed that because Edison's sea voyage is announced as ended, from the strictest reticence concerning Edison's whereabouts, the inventor has probably found the much wanted anti-submarine weapon. It is understood that Edison's experiments included the duplication, as far as possible of Germany's submarine warfare methods.

274 GERMAN AIRPLANES DOWNED IN SEPTEMBER

British Office Says England Lost 46 Machines During the Same Period.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—(U. P.)—Director of operations Maurice announced that 274 German airplanes were downed in September. Forty-six British machines were lost during the same period.

COAST TELEPHONE STRIKE BY SATURDAY LIKELY

Electrical Workers Demand Increase of \$1 a Day; Girls Want Recognition.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—(U. P.)—A coast telephone strike Saturday night is more likely now than ever. A conference of representatives of the operators' union, electrical workers, opened today. The girls demand union recognition. The electrical workers want a wage increase of a dollar daily.

HOUSTON, Tex., Oct. 25.—(U. P.)—The Houston labor council announced that between eight and ten thousand offhand workers will strike November 1st, following the refusal of the operators to grant higher wages.

CITY NEWS

On Way to Corvallis—Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Synder, of Indiana, spent last night in Albany on their way to Corvallis to visit at the home of Chas. Huff.

Crawford in Portland—W. W. Crawford is spending a few days in Portland.

Leaves for Pipestone—Mrs. E. Douy left yesterday for her home in Pipestone, Minn. She will stop in Portland and St. Paul on the way.

Return From Portland—Miss Hazel Smith and Miss Thelma Burnett returned last night from Portland where they have been since Tuesday. They accompanied their brothers, Verne and Otto Smith, and Louis Burnett, that far on their way to Fort Canby to enlist with Fifth Company.

AN EYE-OPENER FOR DIETIST

Woeefully Discouraged When He Sees Array of "Eats" Consumed in "One-Arm" Lunch.

The man who reads all the good health stories in the magazines and regards himself as an adept amateur dietist ate lunch recently in a "one-arm hush house" downtown, says the Indianapolis News. Usually he eats at home, and the experience was a novel adventure for him.

Nearly filling his own chair and encroaching on the arm of the chair next him sat a big man, hale and hearty, consuming a piece of apple pie, three doughnuts and a big cut of steak. Opposite, gorging through a cut of roast beef, mashed potatoes, a cheese sandwich and stewed prunes, was a young fellow, a bookkeeper's stoop hunching his shoulders and an indoor pallor spread over his face.

Tall, bony and ascetic, the man in the long black coat dabbled in a bowl of chicken broth and a plate of wafers, while the plump little stenographer at his elbow ate a plate of beans and a French pastry with relish. The capable office manager of a woman's employment bureau, who sat near the door, was carefully masticating boiled ham, a chicken sandwich, a lettuce salad and a dish of fresh fruit while conversing on office management with the vice president of an insurance company who was getting away with raw oysters, sausage and sauerkraut and strong black coffee.

Finishing his most carefully selected lunch, the amateur dietist left the lunchroom with a baffled expression, paused on the curb, shook himself together and muttered to himself: "Well, I'll be jiggered! Irving Cobb sure said something when he wrote, 'What is the moral of it all? You can search me!'"

LIBERTY LOAN IS NOW ASSURED

Nation Passes Three and Half Billion Mark, While State Is Over \$16,000,000.

LINN COUNTY ONE OF LOWEST IN THE STATE

Heavy Work Will Have to Be Done Friday and Saturday to Save County Standing.

PORTLAND, Oct. 25.—With the unofficial total announced by the publicity department, the Liberty Loan at noon as \$16,500,000, this based on telegraphic reports from every community in the state, and with the official formal bank announcements that the total is \$14,600,350 there is now no question but that Oregon will raise her minimum quota of \$18,000,000 by Saturday night. The only doubt remaining concerns how near its maximum of 30 million Oregon will go, and an effort is now being made all over the state to force Oregon upwards on the ladder. All over the state a spirit of inspiring determination seems to have taken hold. The pace set by Pendleton is now the admiration of other cities.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—(U. P.)

It is strongly indicated that the country has passed the \$3,500,000,000 Liberty Loan subscription, at noon today. The treasury department reports indicate that the entire nation is roused to the highest patriotic fervor. The five billion dollar goal will probably be reached Saturday night. Bond buyers are overwhelming the banks and trust companies, Panama, Hawaii, and the Philippines report brisk sales of bonds. The president and all the cabinet of Panama subscribed. The Middle West German districts are heavily subscribing now.

W. C. T. U. WILL PRESENT SCHOOL WITH PICTURE

The Madison street school will give a short program tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, in honor of Francis E. Willard. The W. C. T. U. will present the school with a picture of Frances E. Willard at this time. Only a short program will be given on account of not having an assembly room for the children, and the program will be given in the hall.

ALBANY COUPLE MARRIED IN VANCOUVER SATURDAY

Word was received in Albany today of the marriage of Lloyd E. Holley to Miss Anna Dever, in Vancouver, last Saturday afternoon. Lloyd is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Holley of this city and was a member of the Democrat force until recently, when he joined the naval reserve. He is now off on an indefinite furlough, and working in a shipyard in Portland. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dever of this city, and is well known here. They will make their home in Portland until he is called to service again.

ENEMY PROPERTY TO BE PLACED IN LOAN

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—(U. P.)—Property belonging to citizens of Bulgaria, Turkey and Austria will be seized along with German property, A. Mitchell Palmer, alien property custodian, announced today. Their money will be given to the treasury department for Liberty Bonds.