

Twenty-Fifth Year

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## 17 WORKERS ARMOUR CO. LOSE LIVES

### Heavy Explosion Wrecks St. Joseph, Mo., Packing Plant—Twelve Injured—Search Debris for Victims—Open Probe.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., May 9.—(AP)—Tons of heavy debris today were being removed by city firemen and hundreds of volunteer workmen here, seeking bodies of eight Armour packing plant employees believed to have been included among 17 victims of a devastating explosion in a six-story building.

While an exact check of dead and injured, both men and women, was impossible due to excitement arising from the blast, officials expected a final death toll of 17 persons. Twelve other were injured by the blinding flash and the following appalling which occurred yesterday afternoon.

All of the injured except Orville Wise were expected to recover.

W. E. Renfro, general manager of the plant, and Walter Kline, the foreman in the sausage making department, said they believed a gas explosion was responsible for the blast. Kline said he smelled gas and called it to the attention of a watchman carrying a lighted lantern, who was going into a darkened portion of the building.

Just as the watchman laughed and walked through a door the explosion occurred, the foreman recounted.

Probe Cause

An investigation by a jury of six men, expert building constructors and plumbers, named by B. W. Tadlock, Buchanan county coroner, was to begin today. A formal inquest, probably next week, will follow, Dr. Tadlock said.

Known dead included Verna Durkin, Gerald Munden, Ray Rickman, Matilda Lear, and Maggie Willis and Mary Johnson.

Employees reported missing included James Staples, Joseph Scott, George Roberts, Charles Moore, Frank Weickarek, L. E. Wiles, Ora Paxson and Lloyd Cox.

All of the victims were working in a building which housed a combination smoke house, pickle house and sausage plant.

More than 1000 persons, many of them relatives of the dead, gathered at the main entrance to the packing plant grounds through the night. They were halted there by guards before a five-foot fence. Anxious eyes were focused upon the tottering brick walls.

## APPLIGATE LEAGUE TO GIVE PLAY ON MAY 17

APPLIGATE, Ore., May 9.—(Sp.)—The Appligate Community League will put on their play, "Rose of Roseburg," at the Appligate hall May 17. It is a four-act play with eight characters. Mrs. Tom Mee is directing the play. The proceeds will be used to fix the hall. They also will have a fish pond that night. A quilt is to be given away that night.

## THIS MESSAGE IS FOR MILLIONS

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## REJUVENATION OF JACKSONVILLE IS EDITORIAL THEME

"But Jacksonville Feels Spry" is an editorial published in the Portland Oregonian yesterday and is as follows:

"Though the census has not been without its disappointments for this city or that, bringing with it the vague, frustrated, foolish feeling of setting foot to a step that isn't there, we are gratified, indeed, to be informed that Jacksonville the historic shows distinct evidence of rejuvenation. The old gentleman, figuratively speaking, is feeling pert and chipper. It is a town endeared to us through Oregon history, and we are truly happy to hear of its increase, though the fundamental reason for this is as yet unexplained.

The commonwealth must confess to having fallen into the habit of regarding Jacksonville as a city with but little present and less future—a city of the past. A ghost town, if you please. It may be very romantic for a town to be known for its livelier days, when the fashionable gent wore a pearl-handled cat's paw, showing good handling and Mr. Metcalf, together with other gear and habiliments suited to the needs and emergencies of a real mining camp. But the staring, vacant windows, the idle streets, the weathered signboards, approach a careless generation. We do not say that this is by any means an accurate picture of the Jacksonville of recent years, though it does approximate public opinion. The most celebrated of southern Oregon communities had fallen into a decline.

"Something has happened in and to Jacksonville. It has a population now of 760, showing an increase of 271—and surely this is indicative of anything save chronic and advancing desuetude. If the rest of us, speaking as cities, could point to a growth like that, made in the last decade, we should point with pride and quite positively. We might even pen a few slogans to celebrate the occasion. But as it is—why, as it is, here are our congratulations to Jacksonville, and the suggestion that the folks down there might tell their neighbors the correct method of preparing for a census."

Reflecting the intensive agricultural activity of the ten southern counties of California the farm income for the area reached a total of \$268,051,266 last year, according to figures released by the agricultural department of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce. This is an increase of \$15,000,000 over the 1928 record.

Los Angeles county produced \$66,755,923 in soil products, which, with livestock and livestock products, gives the county a total agricultural income of over \$92,000,000. Los Angeles is the only county which recorded livestock values.

Orange county ranked second in income last year, returning \$41,323,000.

San Bernardino county, with a return of \$32,392,858, ranked third while fourth on the list was Imperial, with an income of \$30,379,388. Other counties reported as follows: Ventura, \$24,963,738; Riverside, \$23,923,881; Kern, \$15,937,155; Santa Barbara, \$12,780,442; San Diego, \$11,414,451; and San Luis Obispo, \$8,971,215.

The principal crop in point of value, according to the chamber of commerce report, is citrus fruits, with a total f. o. b. income of \$110,250,923, a slight reduction from the 1928 figure.

## \$268,051,000 IN SO. CALIF. CROPS

Housewives and homeowners of Medford and the valley have shown considerable interest in consulting the Big Pine Lumber company during this special sale event.

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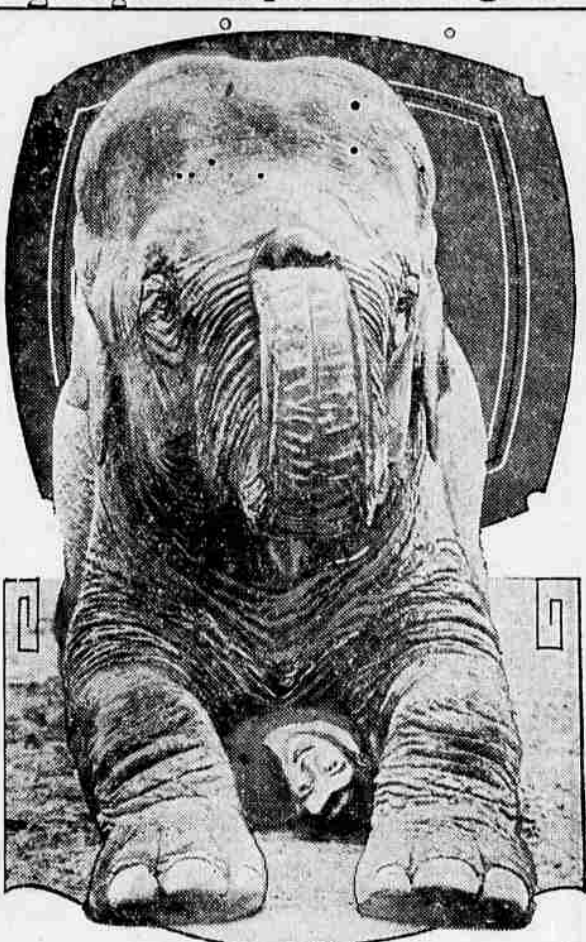
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## Should Elephant Forget?



Joseph Metcalf, noted trainer of elephants with the Al. G. Barnes circus, has an over-abundance of faith in his charges. Never in his many years of experience has he ever discovered that these big brutes did not respond to humane treatment. They thrive on good handling and Mr. Metcalf believes he has the best and most highly trained pachyderms with any circus.

June is one of the favorites with the "bullmen" and here is a photo of the master elephant trainer performing a dangerous feat. But he realizes that June knows her part of the act and will never endanger the life of her friend, although the mere settling of her weight would crush the life from the trainer's body.

According to the press representatives the 1930 program of the Al. G. Barnes circus is the best in history. This circus comes to Medford for afternoon and night performances on Monday, May 19, and the added features will be "Persia" and "The Pageant of Pekin," two gorgeous spectacles of Oriental magnificence. Also the great "Grottoes," sensational high wire act, first time in America.

High priced American motor boats are growing popular in Britain.

The first all-Spanish talking picture was shown recently in Madrid.

## CAT BALL PLAY TO START ANEW MONDAY NIGHT

Catholic representatives held a meeting last night in the Gates Auto headquarters. Several decisions were made and rulings clarified which had been in doubt during the first round of play. Of the most important was the absolute ban on spike shoes of any sort. No player will be permitted to play this season.

Three new teams entered for the next round of play and one dropped out. Jennings Tire Co., Medford Exchange and Sperry Flour Co. are the new teams and the Copco aggregation dropped out. Al Hugen was unanimously elected president of the league to succeed H. M. Price. The local lands will have full power in all decisions.

The first three days' schedule was drawn and is as follows: Monday, May 12—Gates Auto vs. Sperry Flour, Your Office Boys vs. Jennings Tire Co.

Tuesday, May 13—Mail Tribune vs. Gold Seal, Medford Exchange vs. Post Office.

Wednesday, May 14—Lampart's vs. Associated Oil.

## SCIENCE MONITOR MADE AVAILABLE

An honor box to contain current issues of the Christian Science Monitor, international daily newspaper, has been placed at the entrance of the Medford building between the MacMarr grocery store and the Medford Electric, for the convenience of the general public.

The box is painted bright red with white lettering, and contains a slot for depositing coins for the papers.

Beginning May 5, a series of articles entitled "The Prohibition Worth Keeping" will appear in the Monitor. These articles which are said to be the most compact and understandable summary of the complete case for prohibition, will appear every other day until June 14.

Eggs exported from this country last year were valued at nearly \$1,100,000.

## BLUE BLOOD HENS WORTH \$2,500 IN SIGMA NU'S STEW

WASHINGTON, May 9.—(AP)—The mystery of the disappearance of three blue blooded, hard working hens worth \$2,500—which participated in the national egg laying contest at the University of Maryland two months ago—has been solved.

They went to make a holiday for the Maryland chapter of the Sigma Nu fraternity.

While the egg laying contest was in full feather, the Sigma Nu's commanded three initiates to supply chickens for a banquet.

They did so but, no explanation of where the fowls were obtained was made.

Recently the leg bands of the departed egg laying champions were found in a Sigma Nu trash receptacle.

The Maryland chapter has been suspended for a year by the national fraternity and the University has come forward with a pledge for the value of the three hens.

Stray Pigeon Causes Fire. That a pigeon had caused a fire in a house has been reported by the fire department of Paisley, Scotland. The stray bird flew into a kitchen window during the absence of the housewife and alighted on clothing spread on a rod before a fireplace to dry. One of the articles fell into the fire, setting the other garments ablaze and melting a gas pipe. Firemen found the bird, with badly singed wings, fluttering about the floor.

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<b>\$1.98 Silks Sacrificed</b> Beautiful Prints in Chiffon and Georgette, plain Washable heavy Flat Crepes \$1.49	<h1>RUSSELL'S</h1>		<b>50-in. Rayon Damask</b> Regular \$1.75 quality Damask for side drapes. The newest designs and colors, yard 98c

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