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## HEAR COLLINS BREATHE AND COUGH

### VICTIM REMAINS IN DEATH TRAP AND SEARCHERS UNABLE TO LOCATE TUNNEL TO CAVERN

Were Jubilant Early This Morning When Passageway Was Found at End of Shaft but Later Reports Show That Tunnel Did Not Lead to Collins.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
CAVE CITY, Ky., Feb. 13.—Andy Bysib, of Louisville, said he heard Floyd Collins cough twice at 4:30 o'clock this morning. Bysib told this afternoon of going into the main passageway to Sand Cave with several other men and said that while in there he heard faint coughing. He called to Collins several times, he said, but received no answer.

SAND CAVE, Ky., Feb. 13.—An official announcement made at 3 o'clock this afternoon by Brigadier General H. H. Denhardt was that Floyd Collins had been heard breathing at 9:45 o'clock this morning. The announcement was made after Ed Brenner, Cincinnati and A. Blevins had given a statement at the military court of inquiry at the cave side, which was put into the record.

Brenner, a miner and Blevins had been into the cavern for soundings from the rescue shaft. They also had gone in five hours before with Andy Bysib and John Schickle of Louisville who had reported hearing Collins cough twice.

Brenner and Blevins reported penetrating the natural passage to the slide which last week blocked the way just ahead of the entombed cave explorer. They heard Collins breathing, they told the court inquiry this afternoon.

"I heard Collins give one long deep gasp, like a groan," said Brenner. "It was not like a man gives in a hospital, not loud."

Brenner and Blevins tapped on the wall of the cavern and workers in the shaft tapped on the well wall, it was estimated by those in the cavern and those in the shaft that the distance between them was ten feet.

The cave-side session of the military court inquiry was an executive one, held in a tent around which a soldier guard was kept.

No one but the members of the court heard the testimony of Brenner and Blevins. When the court adjourned General Denhardt summoned the newspaper men and had the court stenographer read to them the testimony of the two men. The court then left for Cave City to resume its sitting there.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
CAVE CITY, Ky., Feb. 13.—H. T. Carmichael in charge of operations, and other officials who went down into the shaft being dug towards Sand Cave, where Floyd Collins had been imprisoned for two weeks, came out of the shaft at 1 o'clock this afternoon and announced that the hope of rescuing Collins through a tunnel discovered in the shaft 50 feet down would have to be abandoned. The tunnel exploration failed to disclose a passageway.

Digging was resumed in the bottom of the shaft itself and Mr. Carmichael said that it probably would take two or three days to reach the 70 foot level, where they plan to begin lateral tunnels in an effort to strike Sand Cave.

Hopes of the rescue of Collins by noon today through the new tunnel attracted hundreds of persons to the cave. For a time the crowd, including newspaper men were kept away from the openings but when the crevice failed to develop into anything passable all were allowed to again approach the shaft.

The failure of the high hopes raised by finding of this tunnel noticeably discouraged the officials of the rescue party, but "digging as usual" began again at once, in the hope of finding a more promising cavern. The drill hole in the center of the shaft has gone 70 feet without penetrating the limestone roof, but another penetrable cavern may be discovered in the side wall as was the one found this morning.

The hours of exploration were tense ones for the miners and spectators and when hopes faded again the chances of extricating Collins alive were admittedly greatly reduced. The 70 foot level if not promising crevices are encountered on the way down, will not be reached until Tuesday, Carmichael said, because of increasing difficulties being encountered. The depth of the shaft from the low side was fifty feet at 1 o'clock.

Carmichael admitted he still clings to the hope that a cavern or tunnel will be encountered again in the side walls above the 70 foot level is reached by the diggers.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
CAVE CITY, Ky., Feb. 13.—H. T. Carmichael and two miners at

### CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THE CAVE CASE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
SAND CAVE, Ky., Feb. 13.—The chronological history of the heroic efforts to save Floyd Collins from his underground prison follows:  
Friday, January 30, Collins, exploring Sand Cave, discovers marvelous subterranean coliseum eighty feet high, about 300 feet from the entrance of Sand Cave. Climbing out, a rock shifts, pins his left foot.

January 31, Collins' plight is discovered by Jewell Estes, son of the tenant on the farm into which Sand Cave burrows.

Sunday, February 1, Torches used to heat stone so it can be chipped easily fails to achieve much progress and Collins begs to be pulled out at cost of foot.

February 2, Air compressor and drill arrive from Louisville but Sandy nature of cavern discourages their use. Collins harnessed, but rescuers fail to pull him loose.

February 3, Appeal for troops to preserve order and electric lights taken in, one being hung around Collins' neck.

February 4, Collins reports his foot free, but slide cuts off rescue workers. State troops arrive. Dr. Hazlett, of Chicago, finds it impossible to amputate Collins' leg so he can be taken out.

February 5, Floor of cavern rises and walls close in a few feet ahead of Collins. Last time his voice was heard.

February 6, Tunneling began on shaft about 50 feet from Sand Cave entrance aimed to strike the original cavern just above Collins. Radio tests indicate Collins still alive.

February 7, Rescue shaft progressed 25 feet of the estimated sixty feet to reach Collins.

February 8, Furnes of banana oil, strong but harmless, forced into cave, but fail to emerge anywhere. Taken as indication no other entrance to cavern.

February 9, Military court ordered to settle rumors that story was a hoax, that Collins had been murdered by neglect, and that relief work of outsiders had been obstructed by persons living near the cave.

February 10, Court martial opens, witnesses assailing hoax theory. Tunnel reached the 40 foot level.

February 11, Military court continued. Sound amplifier tests failed for first time to record noises believed to have been Collins' respiration. Banana oil fumes enter shaft from small crevices in bottom of shaft.

February 12, Mining drill strikes for first time at depth of 48 feet; limestone thought to form top of Collins' prison. Downward draft felt for first time in shaft and accepted indicative of large crevice near shaft.

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### FOOT OF LITTLE GIRL WAS FROZEN.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
FREMONT, Neb., Feb. 13.—Six weeks ago while on a trip to South Dakota, where she was called to testify against the men who had murdered her grandfather, and wounded her father, one of the feet of little Emma Jessup, 12, Fremont school pupil, was frozen, but her plight was not discovered until yesterday, when she began crying in the class room and her teacher, Miss Lita Martin, questioned her.

During the six weeks the girl had gone without medical attention, never uttering a word or showing a sign of pain.

A serious condition has developed from lack of attention, but with the proper care, physicians said, the foot can be saved.

### WALNUT KERNEL TAKEN FROM LUNG

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 13.—Following the removal of a walnut kernel from her lung last night, physicians of a private hospital here were hopeful today of saving the life of Bernice Wehrli, aged 19 months, of Port Angeles, Wash.

An X-ray examination revealed the nut kernel in the right bronchus of the child, a short distance below the right and left intersection, declared physicians. Inflammation was said to be present and pneumonia had set in.

In removing the obstruction physicians said they inserted a steel tube with a small electric light at the lower end. By passing delicate instruments through the special tube, the doctors asserted, they were able to remove the kernel and the surrounding inflamed tissue.

### HERBERT WILSON, EX-PREACHER, TAKES WITNESS STAND AND TELLS STARTLING STORY OF BANDIT GANG

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 13.—Herbert Wilson, ex-preacher, mail hand and murderer still occupied the witness chair as testimony was resumed today in the federal court trial of the Wilson brothers, Herbert and Frank, and two other alleged members of the so-called Wilson gang, on robbery charges growing out of a mail truck holdup here March 3, 1921.

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### FINAL REPORT OF GRAND JURY IS SUBMITTED

Moral Condition of Boys and Girls Deplorable and Parents Warned.

### JAIL IS CONDEMNED

Recommend Electric Stove at County Home—Special Tax Levy for Court House.

In concluding its work, the February grand jury submitted a lengthy report, covering its findings aside from the indictments presented. The grand jury made a thorough investigation of county affairs and following the lead of preceding grand juries, submitted the usual recommendations condemning the county court house and county jail.

A very serious condition pertaining to the morals of the younger generation is reported, and parents warned to give more serious thoughts to the safety and control of their children.

The report in detail, is as follows: Hon. J. W. Hamilton, Circuit Judge.

We, your grand jury duly impaneled and sworn as such at the November, 1924, term of the above entitled court, beg to report that we have inquired into all crimes committed or triable in Douglas county, Oregon, and have presented to this court by indictment in all cases when all the evidence before us taken together was such as, in our judgment, would, if unexplained or uncontradicted, warrant a conviction.

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### ROB PARKROSE BANK

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 13.—The Parkrose State Bank, located in a business community on the outskirts of Portland, was robbed of about \$1700 today by two unmasked men who held up Charles P. Crum, cashier, while he was alone in the bank shortly before the noon hour. The robbers escaped. While one of the men who entered first asked cashier Crum if he could cash a check, the other drew a revolver, forcing the cashier to hold up his hands. The first man leaped over a counter gathered up about \$150 and the pair then fled. Crum tried to open a compartment in the vault from which money was taken. The robbers walked some distance from the bank and entered an automobile in which they disappeared.

### HOLBEIN WILL QUIT CHAMBER

Secretary Tenders Resignation to Board of Directors.

HAS OTHER PLANS

Expresses Interest in Work Here and Promises Support for Umpqua Valley.

Will E. Holbein, secretary of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce, today tendered his resignation to become effective immediately. His future plans, he states, makes it imperative for him to sever his connections with the Chamber of Commerce, a fact which he regrets because of the interest which he has had in his work.

"I shall always retain a warm spot in my heart for the Umpqua Valley," Mr. Holbein says, and hopes that wherever he may in the future find for myself, there will be a friend and adviser.

Mr. Holbein will remain long enough to complete the work which he now has uncompleted, but desires to be released as soon as possible in order that he may take up his other plans.

The board of directors met this afternoon and accepted the resignation and wrote letters to several persons in order to secure some person to take the place made vacant by Mr. Holbein's departure.

Mr. Holbein during the time he has been employed as secretary of the local chamber of commerce, has placed the organization on a firm and sound base, and has accomplished a great deal in the way of actual development. He has been a tireless worker, an excellent organizer, and a good publicity man. Through his efforts many accomplishments have been listed. He has given much time and energy to building up a county chamber of commerce, which is now a reality, and in many other ways has done much for the benefit of Roseburg and Douglas county.

Although he has been employed by the chamber only a comparatively short time, yet he has made a great host of friends all over the county, who will greatly regret his departure.

### WHITE CONFIRMED BRIGADIER-GENERAL

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
SALEM, Ore., Feb. 13.—Confirmation of Brigadier-General Geo. A. White, by the United States senate, marks the final action in establishing headquarters of the eighty-second infantry brigade in Oregon, according to advice received today from Secretary of War Weeks at national guard headquarters here.

General White's appointment as a brigade commander of the line of the army, with assignment to command of the national guard infantry troops and attached units in Oregon and Idaho was sent to the senate following a recess appointment by President Coolidge. The general has been in command of these troops for a year pending the long routine of examining boards, presidential appointment and final confirmation by the senate, which were preliminary to the issuance of a commission.

### LEGISLATURE STARTS ACTION ON PROHIBITION PROBE REPORT FAVORING CUSTING OF CLEAVER

House Will Take Up Matter This Afternoon and Representatives Are Divided on Prohibition Enforcement Problem Outlined in the Report.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
STATE HOUSE, Salem, Ore., Feb. 13.—The house as a special order of business at 2 p. m. had before it the recommendations of the investigation committee of the state prohibition director. The report was read late yesterday afternoon. The findings signed by all the committee members were adopted by the house.

The two sets of recommendations promise to stir up considerable argument. That the house is not unanimous for either set of recommendations was evidenced yesterday.

There are some who will stand for the continuance of the department as it now exists but with another man in Cleaver's place.

Others believe in a reorganization of a flying squadron to move about the state assisting sheriffs and district attorneys in enforcing the law with the main burden placed on the shoulders of the county officers.

Two bills affecting the prohibition department have been introduced by the senate committee on alcoholic traffic. One of these provides that the money derived from fines under the prohibition act shall be divided equally between the counties and the state, whereby the prohibition department will have 50 percent instead of 25 percent for enforcement of the law. The other bill is divided between the sheriffs and the district attorneys, 75 and 25 percent respectively.

The other bill would repeal the present law whereby the government is allowed to take money from the prohibition fund for enforcement of the narcotic drug law.

The governor said today that he has not made up his mind as to what he will do about removing George L. Cleaver as prohibition commissioner. The investigators urged Cleaver's removal or resignation.

Have County Committees  
STATE HOUSE, Salem, Feb. 13.—A committee of five persons in each county where state funds are to be loaned farmers for re-seeding their crops under the \$1,500,000 relief act will assist the state board of control in making the loans, according to rules promulgated by the board of control. The rules include the following points:

A county committee of five persons appointed by the board of control to assist in the loaning of state funds to farmers for re-seeding purposes must pass upon and recommend applications for loans before finally approved by the board.

Blank applications for loans, printed forms of notes and crop mortgages, waivers of liens, etc., will be furnished by the board of control to the county committee for the use of applicants for re-seeding loans.

All applications for loans must be sworn to before a notary public. Where the land to be re-seeded is held under lease or contract of purchase, the certificates forming a part of the application must be signed by the lessor or vendor.

The certificate of committee recommending a loan must be signed by at least a majority of the members, but the board of control decides that the entire committee pass upon the eligibility and responsibility of the applicant.

Each application for a loan must be accompanied by the certificate of a responsible abstractor or attorney at law.

Holders of prior liens upon the crops to be mortgaged to the state must execute proper waivers thereof in favor of the state before any application for loan is finally approved by the board. This rule, however, does not apply to lessees no land held in trust by the United States government for its wards.

Proper waivers must be executed by holders of mortgages, judgment or other incumbrances upon the land proposed to be re-seeded.

In all cases where the lands proposed to be re-seeded are held under lease or contract of purchase providing for crop payments to the vendor, the lessor or vendor must join in the execution of the crop mortgage to the state.

Before any loan can be approved by the board satisfactory proof must be furnished by the committee that the crops mortgaged to the state are or will be insured against fire or loss.

Upon the approval of a loan by the board of control, the state treasurer will promptly remit the amount thereof to a bank in the county to be designated by the committee and the committee shall be responsible for the proper disbursement of the proceeds

of such loan. Upon the delivery of any mortgaged crop into the warehouse, the wheat receipts therefor shall be issued by the warehouseman in the name of the Oregon state board of control, and the same shall be immediately transmitted to the board and thereafter to the grain represented by said receipts may be sold by the board at such time and for such price as it shall deem for the best interests of the state, and the proceeds of such sale less all proper deductions shall thereupon be applied on the mortgage debt.

New Water Supply  
STATE HOUSE, Salem, Feb. 13.—Senate bill 65, providing a pure water supply for the city of Bend by arranging an exchange of water from Deschutes river for water from Tumalo creek, passed the senate today over the veto of Governor Pierce.

Heidemann of Yamhill and Brown of Marion fought the bill. Garland and Taylor, both democrats, assisted Senator Upton in defending the measure against the veto.

Joseph was with the minority in opposing the bill, declaring it was fraught with litigation. Brown, Joseph, Kinney, Strayer, and Zimmerman voted to sustain the veto.

New Source of Power  
STATE HOUSE, Salem, Feb. 13.—The senate today adopted house concurrent resolution No. 12 providing for a committee from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana to study and consider the development of the Columbia river for agricultural and power purposes.

House joint resolution No. 13, introduced by Carlin, memorializing the interstate-commerce commission to urge the construction of a railroad in Southern Oregon was adopted by the senate today.

Extend Five-Year Limit  
STATE HOUSE, Salem, Feb. 13.—Extension of the five-year limit set by the 1921 legislature for the state highway commission to sell a special \$7,000,000 bond issue for state highway work was authorized by the house this morning after a two hour debate. The law of 1921 stipulated the issue, in addition to the other regular issue, permitted up to the 4 percent tax limitation measure had to be sold prior to May 29, 1926. The bill passed this morning, sets an indefinite time for the disposal of about \$60,000 left from the \$7,000,000 amount. The sum was authorized in 1921 to provide for emergency needs.

The measure house bill 324 introduced by Senator Hall and Representative Ford is designed to clear up conflicting provisions the law of 1921, according to its proponents.

The opposition fought the bill vehemently maintaining that the amendment passed this morning permitted the state highway commission to refund on the \$7,000,000 issue and issue new bonds. "It makes the sky the limit," declared Representative Cowell of Jackson county, who with Representative Carlin, of the same county, led the fight on the bill. "As soon as a million dollars is retired another million can be issued. Let us pay as we go."

Hamilton of Bend fought for the bill. "We can't stop highway building now," he declared. "In eastern Oregon and in certain coast counties work is hardly started. Because the Willamette valley is paved, there is no reason to stop and forget eastern Oregon and other sections."

Representative Carlin opposed the bill, he explained on account of the policy it carried. "It's a question of whether or not we shall give 'free reign' to the highway commission," he averred. "I have every confidence in the highway commission, but it is like individuals in that it is likely to become too enthused in its work. If the bill is passed, the commission can release as rapidly as refunding is provided. There is a move on to bring up our valuation of property which would make available greater income for the commission than now exists."

Among bills passed by the senate today were: S. B. 129, Magliard—providing for sanitary regulation of all tourist camps under the direction of the state board of health.

S. B. 165, Magliard—For eradication of bovine tuberculosis and creating office of dairy and herd inspector in Lane county. A senate concurrent resolution expressing (Continued on page 3.)

### Shaft Dug to Save Cave-Imprisoned Man



RESCUE WORKERS AT SAND CAVE. IN CAVERN UNDER COLLINS' PRISON JOHN GERALD