

Highest Yesterday 74
Lowest Last Night 36
Unsettled tonight and Saturday, probably local rains.

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DAKOTA FIRES UNDER CONTROL AFTER ATTACK

Millions Lost When Blazes Sweep Wide Swath in Sister States.

NO DEATHS VERIFIED

Unproved Reports Show a Casualty List of 7 Persons—No Villages Entirely Razed.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

VALENTINE, Neb., Mar. 27.—A definite check up of the ravages of the prairie fires which have been raging over North Central Nebraska and across the line in the vicinity of the Rosebud Indian reservation in South Dakota since last Wednesday showed that no lives were lost, no towns were destroyed, but that property damage amounting to approximately \$1,000,000 was caused.

The strong, high winds, which have prevailed for the past two days and had whipped the flames had subsided this morning and small fires were reported only in a few scattered places. No further damage however, was expected. The earlier unconfirmed reports that the fires had destroyed the villages of Tuthill, Vetal and St. Francis, all in South Dakota were found to be untrue when telephone communication was restored. None of these towns were damaged. It was said, although the towns were threatened and required heroic efforts on the part of their residents to save them. Several ranchers near here suffered burns in the fight.

VALENTINE, Neb., Mar. 27.—After causing an estimated loss of \$1,000,000 or more to hay lands and ranchers property, virtually all of the prairie fires which have ravaged North Central Nebraska and the southern section of South Dakota, were extinguished today, according to a survey made this noon. No loss of life was sustained as far as known in Nebraska, although unconfirmed reports told of the death of four persons in South Dakota. These reports were discredited here today, although many ranchers were forced to flee before the flames.

Several smaller fires are known to be present northwest of here, but ranchers reported they were being extinguished rapidly without considerable loss.

Earlier reports that a school teacher and two children were burned to death in a school house near here were found to be groundless, the survey showed. The closest call the fire made was when it gutted a school house six miles southwest of Crookston, which is several miles west of here. The teacher and 12 pupils saw the flames approaching and were taken to safety about one hour before the structure was destroyed.

Ranchers this morning reported that the fire had burned over an area of 200 miles to, in some places, 50 miles wide. The damage to the hay land, it is estimated, amounts to at least \$1 an acre. It is the general view here that the larger fires have subsided owing to the settled calm of the winds which whipped the flames yesterday and Wednesday. Not much damage is expected henceforth as ranchers everywhere are tackling the smaller blazes.

Disrupted telephone communication and the unsettled conditions of the country makes verification difficult, although every report tells of large damage to ranches. A verified report today told of the destruction of the William Yancey ranch, north of Cody, Neb., several miles west of here. The ranch, one of the largest in northern Nebraska, was completely burned out. It is also known that several other ranches were burned out. Many cattle sheds in that region, it was reported, were caught in the path of the fires, which late yesterday seemed to break in several directions. The chief crop of this region is wild hay and cattle raising.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Mar. 27.—After burning over an area of approximately 150,000 acres, two prairie fires near Wakpala, S. D., were reported extinguished today.

SIoux FALLS, S. D., Mar. 27.—Prairie fires in north central South Dakota were extinguished early today, attracting attention of the state to the fire area in the Rosebud Indian reservation, where unconfirmed reports tell of ex-

ORDER TRIAL



FRANK COLLIER

Frank Collier, former Mayor of Wichita Falls, Texas, was placed on trial for the murder of his son-in-law, "Buster" Robertson. All the residents of the city contributed to a mountain of flowers to be heaped upon the grave of the dead man.

SENATOR WHEELER IS INDICTED TODAY

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana, Gordon Campbell and Edwin S. Booth were indicted here today by a federal grand jury on conspiracy charges. Mr. Campbell is an oil land operator in Montana. Mr. Booth is a former solicitor of the interior department.

The indictment is the second returned against Wheeler and Campbell, they having been indicted in Montana on charges involving allegations that Mr. Wheeler improperly represented Campbell before a government department. The new indictments were based on charges relating to the securing of oil land permits in Montana, and relate to transactions alleged to have taken place while Booth was in the interior department.

RADIUM DISCOVERY NOT NEW, DECLARED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

MANCHESTER, Eng., Mar. 27.—Officials of the Radium Institute here expressed amazement upon learning of the announcement by experts attached to the Middlesex Hospital in London that they had succeeded in bottling radium gas. Sir William Milligan, secretary of the Radium Institute says the gas was bottled here a decade ago and that the institute has been distributing radium "seeds" or tiny gas filled tubes to the Manchester Hospital for six years.

A London dispatch yesterday telling of the Middlesex experts claims, said they had successfully captured a ray of radium which hitherto had gone to waste and that the use of these in conjunction with the gamma rays would multiply the curative value of a given quantity of radium thousands of times.

ANNUAL OPERETTA GIVEN LAST NIGHT

The operetta "The Wishing Well", was presented last night by the combined glee clubs of the Roseburg high school and was attended by a large audience. The theatre was well filled for both the afternoon matinee and the evening performance, and although the admission price was low, the school realized a fair profit after paying the expenses of the production.

The theme of the operetta was quite cleverly presented, the scene being laid in Ireland, the brogue and the lilt of the Irish melodies, combining to make the operetta most enjoyable. Each of the actors carried off his or her part in an excellent manner, while the chorus work was very pleasing.

LEE GOODMAN TRIED

Lee Goodman, charged with operating a motor vehicle for hire, without a permit from the Public Service Commission, was placed on trial this afternoon in the local justice court. A jury was called to hear the testimony in the case and to decide the issue. The trial was still in progress at a late hour this afternoon.

OREGON ASKS NEW RAILWAY LINES IN STATE

Petition Made to Interstate Commission to Enforce Construction.

WOULD CROSS STATE

Suggested Lines Planned to Form Cross-Line East and West With Other Extensions.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27.—Argument upon the contention of the state of Oregon that railroads serving it should be required to construct extensive mileage through its central and eastern portions was presented today before the interstate commerce commission.

W. P. Ellis, attorney for the Oregon public service commission explained the demand of the state and the Union Pacific controls running from east to west through its southern section together with north and south extension should be built.

He declared the interstate commission had the power to enforce such a requirement. "The Southern Pacific controls transportation half of Oregon and the Union Pacific controls it in the other half," Mr. Ellis replied. "It is that situation which we seek to have met by this application."

Mr. Ellis argued that National military interests required the north and south construction through the state east of the Cascade range. Commissioner Each asked if there were no Indian reservations under federal control which might need the transportation in the territory and the attorney named several.

Various other representatives of interests in the territory are to be heard, including A. G. Spence for the Union Pacific and B. C. Dey for the Southern Pacific. Preliminary proceedings before the commission have resulted in the report by its examiner that the new construction should be ordered and that the commission's powers will enable it to enforce orders against the railroad.

SPOKANE, Wash., Mar. 27.—Announcement that an application has been filed with the interstate commerce commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the construction of 145 miles of new railroad in Central and Southern Oregon was made here last night by Robert E. Strahorn, president of the Oregon, California and Eastern Railway.

Mr. Strahorn announced that application for the extension of the line of the railroad was made on March 19, following a meeting of the board of directors of the railway held in Portland. He said the estimated cost of the construction will be approximately \$4,500,000.

Application was made for the construction of the following lines: From the Sprague river terminus of the road in general northwesterly direction to Silver Lake, Oregon, a distance of 63 miles. This is a part of the main lines from Klamath Falls to Bend, Ore. From mile post No. 43 on the same line in a northeasterly direction to a point on Williamson river, a distance of 15 miles. From the Sprague river terminus in a general southeasterly direction to Lakeview, Ore., a distance of 65 miles.

PORTLAND OFFICER OPPOSES CHARGES

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

PORTLAND, Ore., March 27.—Edgar Blanchard, patrolman, today accepted service of a warrant charging assault and battery resulting from an attack he is alleged to have made upon David Foulkes, Jr., in a raid which was made by mistake on the Foulkes home Saturday. His attorney, Milton R. Klepper, asked that arraignment be made Tuesday. Klepper said he would appeal to the civil service board in an attempt to overturn Mayor Baker's discharge of Blanchard from the police force.

REVIVES APPOINTMENT

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27.—Former Governor Morrow of the Panama Canal zone was today appointed by President Coolidge as American member of the Tacna-Arica boundary commission.

TO MOVE DEWEY'S BODY

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27.—Attended by a naval guard of honor the body of Admiral George Dewey, hero of Manila Bay, will be moved from Arlington National cemetery tomorrow or Monday and placed in Bethlehem chapel of the National Cathedral here. The removal was requested by the widow of Admiral Dewey who announced that George Dewey of Chicago, son of the Admiral had concurred.

BANK HELD UP

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

PORT WORTH, Tex., Mar. 27.—Two men held up the Polytchule State Bank here today and escaped with between \$5,000 and \$7,000 in currency. The cashier was locked in the vault.

DENNISTOUN NAMED IN SECOND SUIT

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

PARIS, March 27.—A suit for breach of promise and defamation of character against Lieutenant-Colonel Ian Dennistoun, defendant in the sensational London trial just ended, will be filed in London soon by an American woman, who now is in the United States, it was announced today by Dudley Field Malone, who will represent the plaintiff.

Mr. Malone declared that the evidence would include "a hundred odd letters in Colonel Dennistoun's hand, many of which contained highly derisive allusions to Lady Carrington, Lady Carrington's Colonel Dennistoun's present wife. The letters are said to have been written over a considerable period of time.

FAMOUS RECORD COW DIES

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

CHICAGO, Mar. 27.—Seigis Pieterchik Prospect, said to have been the world's greatest milk cow in the days of the Umattila county fair, died here today. The animal which produced a world's record of 37,381 pounds of milk, equal to 17,943 quarts in a one year test period, according to the records of the Holstein Friesian Association of America, died yesterday at the Carnation milk farms at Seattle, Wash. This cow's three offspring have been sold for \$35,000, the last one going to Japan. Marshal Foch of France when he was in America went to see the famous cow which last year was filmed at the National Dairy show in Milwaukee, her pictures having made her probably the best known cow in America.

TO INVOKE REFERENDUM

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

PENDLETON, Mar. 27.—Decision was made here last night at a meeting of the Umattila county Fish and Game Protective Association to invoke the referendum on the law that provides for the taking of ten per cent of the funds of 40 state commissions for the use of the state's general fund. The vote on the motion to invoke the referendum was 47 to 6. The state game commission is one of the commissions affected by the law and the cost to sportsmen is estimated at about \$35,000 annually, according to data supplied at the meeting.

HEARINGS ON BIDS HELD

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27.—The shipping board was today told at hearings on bids for five presidential vessels now in the Pacific trade that the Pacific Mail Steamship company was willing to modify its offer to make it conform with any legal requirement. Former Senator George E. Chamberlain of Oregon, counsel for the Pacific Mail, took up legal phases of the pending bids one for \$6,750,000 to be paid in part in cash and part in preferred stock of a new corporation to be formed, in behalf of the Pacific Mail and the other a cash offer of \$3,250,000 by R. Stanley Dollar and associates.

PORTLAND HOOPSTERS LEAVE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 27.—The basketball team of Franklin high school of Portland, including eight players and Captain Cotton Meek, "att here today for Chicago, where the players will represent this city in the national inter-scholastic basketball tournament sponsored by the University of Chicago April 1 to 5.

NEGRO WINS BOUT

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

LA ROSE, Ore., Mar. 27.—Sunny Jim, negro middleweight of Portland, knocked out Tom McCarty of San Francisco, in the second round of a bout here last night. Firpo Ford, of La Grande, knocked out Kelly Barrett, boxer in the first round of the semi-final.

DAYS OF '49 TO OPEN FOR 2 DAY RUN AT ARMOY

Band Concert on Street to Open Legion Show This Evening.

VAUDEVILLE AT 7:30

Five Interesting Skits to Be Presented Before Dancing and Gaming Devices Are Started.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

The Days of '49 show, staged by Umpqua Post of the American Legion will open tonight at 7:30 at the Armoiy for a two-day run. The Roaring Gulch band will be on the street early in the evening and will play a concert in front of the Armoiy building before the start of the vaudeville entertainment, which is to start promptly at 7:30 o'clock.

The vaudeville will open with a concert by the Umpqua Post drum corps, which holds the championship for the state of Oregon. This drum corps is to go to Prineville for the annual state convention, and will there compete again for the championship. The organization has been drilling hard for an entire year, and has some exceptionally good numbers which will be presented in their concert.

The second number of the vaudeville will be a concert by Miss Elinor Wilson, Roseburg's charming whistler, who is ranked as one of the city's best entertainers. Miss Wilson will be accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Russell Lintott.

The Kiwanis Kazoo band will be the third attraction on the bill. This Kazoo band has been in great demand ever since its organization and never fails to make a decided hit wherever it appears.

Miss Noland of the Heintze conservatory, will present a number of the younger students of the conservatory in music and dances. The final act will be a bone rattling and blackface skit by "Shorty" Snyder, with Mrs. Lintott at the piano. This will be a humorous feature which everyone will enjoy.

The armoiy is being fitted up to resemble an old entertainment hall in the days of the wild west. Gaming devices of all kinds have been installed, and each person entering will be given a large amount of wild west currency which will be good at any of the games or concessions.

A bakery is being installed today and hot bakery products will be served. Hot dog stands, soft drinks, candy booths, etc., will also be included. Part of the floor is being roped off for dancing, and games and dancing will be in progress from 8:15, immediately following the vaudeville until midnight.

LIQUOR CAUSES DEATH

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

PENDLETON, Ore., Mar. 27.—The coroner's jury, which met at Pilot Rock yesterday to investigate the death of William Sprague 18, of that city on Monday, returned a verdict at five o'clock yesterday that young Sprague came to his death by drinking poisoned moonshine supplied by a person or persons unknown. Physicians testimony at the inquest identified themselves adequately to club attaches who scrutinize entrants through peep holes. Anyhow his methods of getting evidence of the sale of liquor are so successful that the clubs usually consent to padlock decrees. Two places, the club Moritz and the club Borgowr padlocked yesterday.

ART EXHIBITION OPENS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 27.—An art exhibition displaying work of students in seven western colleges and 10 high schools was opened here today at the Palace of the Legion of Honor under the auspices of the California State Board of Education and the Pacific Arts Association. Art connoisseurs from California, Oregon and Washington were among the speakers listed at the opening ceremonies.

SHOTGUN HOLDUPS GET LOOT

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

SPOKANE, Wash., Mar. 27.—Two men, armed with sawed off shotguns, held up an employe of Armour and company, meat packers in an outlying district here this morning and escaped with a payroll of \$5,000, a report to the police said.

Mumtaz, Dancing Girl and Mistress of Maharajah of Indore Was Slashed Across Face in Abduction Affray

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

BOMBAY, Mar. 27.—The prosecution in the trial of the nine men charged with the attempt to abduct the dancing girl Mumtaz Begum after her escape from the household of the Maharajah of Indore today called to the witness stand the girl's uncle, Alla Bux Wazir. The authorities are endeavoring to prove that the affray on Malabar hill, Bombay, the evening of January 12, in which the wealthy merchant Abdul Kadir Baula was killed, was the result of an elaborate plot to return the girl to the Maharajah of whom she had been the favorite. Baula was with the girl when attacked by a gang and in the ensuing fight, in which knives played a part Mumtaz was slashed across the face and a British lieutenant was injured. Mumtaz yesterday testified that she had gone to the Maharajah's court first as a singing girl and that later she became the ruler's mistress. Her uncle testified today that after she had fled from the court he had been called to Indore, where he was told the Maharajah wanted him. Upon his arrival, he said, he was informed by two of the accused men that he would be given assistance if he helped capture the girl. Returning to Bombay, he was warned Baula, with whom Mumtaz had become friendly, that he was being watched. Afterward he learned that Baula's watchman had been bribed to leave the doors of the merchant's bungalow unlocked. Baula, not being apprised of this, dismissed the watchman.

DEPORTATION OF COMEDIAN'S MOTHER ASKED POSTPONED BY "BILLY" SUNDAY; MEDICAL TREATMENT DECLARED NEEDED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Responsibility for the presence in this country of Mrs. Hannah Chaplin, mother of Charles Chaplin, the film star, was placed today by Secretary Davis on the last democratic administration. The secretary presented this aspect of the case in a letter to Reverend W. A. "Billy" Sunday, revivalist, who joined in the request that Mrs. Chaplin be permitted to remain in this country for another year to receive further treatment for the mental disorder from which she is suffering. Mr. Davis wrote that he would consider the case from the humanitarian standpoint, at the same time keeping the "department's peculiar interests in the case in mind."

SECOND BODY IS EXHUMED TO FIND POISON EVIDENCE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

CHICAGO, Mar. 27.—A second exhumation in connection with the McClintock death mysteries was made when the body of Dr. Oscar Olson, who died three years ago, was raised from the grave today for an autopsy and coroner's inquest.

A third exhumation was to be made later and the body of Mrs. Emma Nelson McClintock who died 16 years ago, was to be raised. These bodies are to be submitted to the same chemical tests for evidences of poison or other causes of unnatural death as in the case of William Nelson McClintock, the orphan millionaire, who, it is charged in an indictment, was murdered by William D. Shepherd, the youth's foster-father and heir by a will and by C. C. Falman, head of a school of science with the inoculations of typhoid germs. Mrs. McClintock, mother of the youth, was a widow and asked Shepherd and his wife to live with her and her son. When she died she left the boy in their care.

MOONSHINERS ARE BLAMED FOR DEATH

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Mar. 27.—That Freddie Jackson met his death when he apprehended a trio of alleged bootleggers who had stolen his pony at a Saturday night dance in Chiloquin, is the theory on which county officials are prosecuting their inquiry into the Indian youth's death following his wild ride through Chiloquin on the afternoon of March 15. As a result of the circumstantial evidence which has already been collected, the body will be exhumed tomorrow afternoon and a post-mortem examination made, it was announced today by Acting Coroner Towey.

FEDERAL AGENTS CLOSE CABARETS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, Mar. 27.—Exclusive memberships and careful scrutiny of applicants are failing to prevent federal padlockings from entering "clubs" as post-Volstead cabarets on Broadway now are known. Emory R. Buchner, started his career as federal district attorney by spending \$1,400 of his own money, through lawyer friends, to change in restaurants. He has not revealed, however, just how he gets his men past husky liveried door keepers of gilded clubs in the roaring forties, nor his agents identify themselves adequately to club attaches who scrutinize entrants through peep holes.

COMMITTEE NAMED TO STUDY SHOALS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27.—A commission to study the Muscle Shoals problem consisting of former Representative McKenzie of Illinois, former senator Dial of South Carolina, Professor Harry A. Curtis of Yale university; William McLehlan of New York and Russell E. Bower of the American Farm Bureau Federation, was named today by President Coolidge.

BRITISH OFFICER DIES

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

DELHI, Mar. 27.—General Lord Rawlinson, commander-in-chief of the British forces in India died tonight.

ACCUSED GIRL SLAYER FAINTS AGAIN IN COURT

References to Crime and Own Sanity Appear to Shock Girl.

JURY NEARLY PICKED

Attorneys Expect to Finish Selection Today—Now Consists of 9 Men and 2 Women.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 27.—Dorothy Ellingson, the 16-year-old "jazz girl" on trial for murder for shooting her mother after a quarrel over parties and joy rides, collapsed in the court room today after the session had been adjourned for the noon recess. The girl had borne up calmly during the morning.

Just before adjournment her attorneys, questioning a prospective juror had used these phrases: "Anna Ellingson, the dead woman," "the sanity on trial," and "the possibility that she did not shoot this woman, but lied about it and confessed to shield some one else." The girl seemed to brace herself. She bit her lips as if fighting back the swoon that crept over her. With the court at recess and the crowd streaming out she started for the back entrance, but crumpled into the arms of two policemen who carried her into the jury room. Later she was revived and was able to walk, supported, to the county jail infirmary.

The girl has not interrupted any sessions of the trial, but has fainted after each adjournment. The attorneys considered it likely that the jury would be completed early this afternoon.

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 27.—The trial of 16-year-old Dorothy Ellingson, charged with the murder of her mother, entered a second definite stage here today when the defense and prosecution set themselves to the selection of the twelfth juror. The uncompleted jury now consists of nine men and two women.

The defense yesterday indicated it was satisfied with the jury as it stood and it was expected today the big battle which will center around the pallid, breaking girl who is accused of shooting her mother to death will be concentrated on the long fight to determine the degree of her mental responsibility. Public interest in the trial is unabated and early this morning the corridors of the hall of justice was packed.

The defendant, despite the collapse which has marked her appearance in court, apparently was determined to survive the ordeal.

GOLF CLUB GIVEN TRACT FOR COURSE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

BEND, Ore., March 27.—The Brooks-Seahorn Lumber company yesterday presented 172.6 acres of logged off lands near the city limits to the Bend golf club for a golf course. The deed was signed by Dr. D. F. Brooks, of Minneapolis, president of the company who was in Bend on an inspection trip.

TO HOLD MEETING

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

PORTLAND, Ore., March 27.—Plans for the annual meeting of the Columbia Basin irrigation league were made today at a meeting of the board of directors here. Pasco, Wash., where the annual meetings have been held for the past three years, was selected for the meeting place on invitation of the Chamber of Commerce of that city.

COURT MARTIALS DOCKETED.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, March 27.—A number of court martials, probably involving five or six officers will be ordered as a result of the liquor raid conducted recently on the naval transport Beaufort upon her arrival at Norfolk from the West Indies.

INDIANS NEED NO LICENSE.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

SALEM, Ore., March 27.—Indians of the Umattila Reservation in Umattila county, do not need fishing licenses as long as they confine their angling to the reservation, according to an opinion of Attorney-General Van Winkle in reply to an inquiry by the state game commission. They are held not to be under state regulation while fishing in streams on the reservation.