

The WEATHER

Highest temp. yesterday 64
Lowest temp. last night 52
Tonight and Sunday unsettled, probably occasional rain, moderate temperature

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GIRL DANCING TEACHER SLAIN BY AN UNKNOWN

Dies of Wound on Doorstep of Her Home as Mother Answers Her Cry.

LETTER GIVES CLUE

Recent Association With Students From India Puts Suspicion Upon Them.

LONDON, April 11.—Scotland Yard authorities are detailing a man whose identity is not revealed in connection with the death of Grace Blakeller, 16, pretty dancing teacher, who was found with her throat cut Thursday night, huddled on the steps of her mother's home in the fashionable West Kensington district.

The mystery of the case, which previously had been set down as one of assault, deepened when the police came into possession of a letter which reached the girl on Thursday morning and which, they say, is of the highest importance. The contents are being closely guarded.

It was learned today that the girl for the last five years had not been living with her mother, but made her home with Captain Langmaid, a retired regular army officer, who upon her father's death promised to act as her guardian during her lifetime.

She went alone to a motion picture performance on Thursday night and a few hours later her mother heard a cry and found the girl on the doorstep with a wound in the throat. The only words she would say, according to the report, were "boy from India."

RUTH CANNOT BE IN OPENING GAME

NEW YORK, April 11.—Babe Ruth spent a comfortable night and was feeling better this morning, said a report at noon today from St. Vincent's Hospital, where the Yankee star is an influenza patient. Although he is much improved, his physicians are almost certain that he will not be able to play in the opening game of the baseball season next Tuesday.

JOE DAY QUILTS AFTER 45-YEAR SERVICE

PORTLAND, Ore., April 11.—Portland's oldest detective—Joe Day—was retired today, after 45 years, five months and 13 days in the harness. He was, with probably one exception, the oldest detective in point of service, in the United States.

TEACHER'S CAR DESTROYED BY WRECK AND FIRE

North Bend Lady and Companion on Way to Eugene Meet With Accident.

ESCAPE NARROW ONE

Women Thrown Clear of Skidding Car and Are Dumped in Cold Water of Pond.

Miss Harriet L. Veazie, a school teacher at North Bend, and a lady companion, had a narrow escape from death last night, when the Star roadster, belonging to Miss Veazie, skidded on the grade near the summit of Camas mountain, as she was coming this way.

Miss Veazie and her friend were on the way to Eugene, and as the car neared the top of the mountain it skidded on the road made slippery by the rains and turned clear around and somersaulted off the grade.

The two ladies were thrown clear of the hurtling auto and were dumped into a pond which had formed in the ravine, and aside from a wrenching and bruising of a minor nature, were not injured.

They left the car bottomside up in the ravine, and hailed a passing motorist, who brought them into the city. As both were soaked and chilled they went immediately to the Uniqua hotel, and from there called up the Roseburg garage.

When the mechanics reached the scene, about sixteen miles west of Coos Junction, they found the right front tire a blazing torch and the rest of the machine completely destroyed by fire. It is thought that leaking gasoline, and a connection probably torn loose in the wreck started the fire which destroyed the roadster.

The garagesmen brought in one of the license plates for identification. Miss Veazie reported that the car is partially insured, and an adjustment is to be secured at once. She left this morning for Eugene where she has business matters demanding her attention.

Von Hindenburg, in Proclamation to Germans, Strong on Almighty Stuff, But Nil on Republic Idea

BERLIN, April 11.—In a proclamation to the German people issued today, Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, presidential candidate, appeals to all patriotic Germans who desire to set forward the honor of the German name and social peace.

SALE OF RIGHTS TO COPCO AGAIN BRANDED FRAUD

Klamath Attorney Promises to Furnish Evidence to Interior Dept.

PROBE CONDITIONAL

Secretary Work Tells the Settlers, However, to Let Power Alone, Tend Crops.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., April 11.—Charges that Secretary of the Interior, Hubert Work, has blinded his eyes to the true situation in the Klamath irrigation district were voiced this morning by J. H. Carnahan, attorney for the district, at a final hearing before Reclamation Commissioner Elwood Mead, Dr. Work was not in attendance.

The irrigation attorney declared that the sale of the water rights of the irrigators to the California Oregon Power company for \$120,000 was a "gigantic swindle," and called upon government officials to repudiate the contract.

"We have heard the charges repeatedly since we have been here," was Colonel Mead's answer. "The contract was entered into under the regime of a former secretary of the interior. If it was simply a blunder there is nothing we can do. If there was fraud, as you men have all said, then proof of such fraud is necessary in order that we might have something on which to base any investigation."

"We will furnish you evidence of fraud," retorted the irrigation district attorney.

At a public banquet last night, Secretary Work gave residents of Klamath county, a figurative spanking when he pointed out that they were too embroiled in community wrangles and controversies to obtain the best results from what he asserted were among the most fertile acres of the west.

He referred to the famous court controversy of a few years ago when Klamath county was at one time the possessor of three separate court houses. He said the farmers should attend to their crops and their irrigation projects and let the power companies develop the power possibilities of the district.

At Klamath agency yesterday afternoon, the Secretary met the tribal council of the Klamath Indian reservation and listened to their pleas for a government loan of \$5,000,000 to the Indians, although he held out no hope to them. Seldon Kirk, chairman of the council, asserted the Indians were facing bankruptcy because they were unable to make a living off their farm lands and said the loan was needed to tide them over. The Secretary replied that if they could not make a living at present they had no way of insuring the government that the loan would ever be repaid.

Secretary Work and Commissioner Mead left Klamath Falls this morning for the north, via Weed. They were accompanied on their northern trip by James Kyle, president of the Oregon Irrigation Congress.

SOUTHERN OREGON DENTISTS MEET IN CITY TODAY

The Southern Oregon Dental Association met in this city this afternoon, in the K. P. hall. Dentists were present from Portland, Medford, Ashland, Grants Pass and Roseburg, and a very interesting session was started. Drs. Frank Mihnos and Fred Gulick of Portland conducted a clinic, which took up the greater part of the afternoon. At 6 o'clock tonight the dentists will enjoy a banquet at the Uniqua hotel, after which Dr. A. E. Woods, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist of Ashland will speak on "The Development of the Bones of the Face as Related to Dentistry." A discussion will be opened by Dr. B. R. Elliott of Medford.

CHANGES ARE MADE IN FUNERAL PLANS

The funeral of Norton Eddings, pioneer stage driver, who died at Talent yesterday, will be held at the family home with interment in the Rock Point cemetery, two miles north of Gold Hill, instead of at Canyonville, as previously announced, according to word received this morning from Glenn Eddings, of this city, a son of the deceased. Plans for the burial were changed this morning, and it was decided to place the body in the cemetery at Rock Point instead of bringing it to Canyonville. The funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. on Sunday.

SOMEWHERE IN WORLD EARTHQUAKE TODAY LASTED TWO HOURS

WASHINGTON, April 11.—A very heavy earthquake at an estimated 4500 miles from Washington, was recorded early today on the seismograph at Georgetown University. The tremors began at 6:02 a. m., and continued until 8:25, with the maximum reached at between 7:45 a. m. and 7:55 a. m. The Rev. Francis Tondorf, director of the Georgetown University Seismographical Observatory, said he was unable to calculate the direction of the disturbance from Washington.

CHICAGO, April 11.—The Weather Bureau seismograph at the University of Chicago today recorded an earthquake beginning at 5:22 a. m., and ending at 8:15 a. m., central time. The maximum disturbance was recorded at 6:11 a. m.

GERMAN PAPER DEPLORES TREND TOWARD SOLDIER

PARIS, April 11.—President Doumergue will reserve until tomorrow his decision as to the man who will be asked to form a new cabinet. It was announced at the presidential palace this evening after the president had seen the last of an important group of political leaders.

BERLIN, April 11.—Commenting on the resignations of M. Herriot, as Premier of France, Vorwaerts says that "despite his weakness and readiness to follow bad advisers, he deserves the appreciation of all friends of democracy and peace."

"The return of Poincaré or Millerand at the present time seems unthinkable," the paper adds, "but the election of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg would constitute a means to return them to power within a few weeks. If enough fools can be found in Germany to choose a man who is looked upon by the world as the incarnation of militarism as a way of nationalist passion will be unloosed in France which would sweep away the peaceful elements."

Die Zeit, organ of foreign Minister Stresemann, ascribes the fall of M. Herriot to the opposition of Catholic church circles and the "catastrophical development of the franc, for which he is not responsible."

The Tagblatt characterizes M. Herriot as "absolutely honest and striving for the pacification of Europe."

SEARCH ON FOR PORTLAND MAN AND KELSBO BOY

PORTLAND, Oregon, April 11.—Friends, police and deputy sheriffs are conducting a search for Chas. Pugh, local film distributor, who has been missing more than a week. Devoted to his family, in good shape physically and financially, no reason for his disappearance could be assigned today by his friends and associates.

KELSO, Wash., April 11.—James Martin 1 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Martin, has been missing since Wednesday. The father has offered a reward of \$500 for recovery of the boy, and \$100 for his body, in case he is dead. The boy was last seen climbing over a gravel bank on the river on his way toward the railroad. Fear that he may have been kidnapped by tramps has been expressed by the boy's parents.

COP DIES FROM BANDIT'S SHOT

SAN FRANCISCO, April 11.—Policeman George Campbell died today from a bullet wound inflicted by Felix Sloper, bank bandit, after he had sought Sloper in an attempt to hold up a branch of the Mercantile Trust Company here last Thursday. The police announced that Sloper will be charged with murder.

SHEPHERD HAS RIVAL TO BUSY CHICAGO POLICE

CHICAGO, April 11.—Police was found in the home of Mrs. Anna Cunningham at Gary, Ind., it was announced at the state's attorney's office, where she had been detained in connection with the investigation of the death of her husband and four children in six years. She explained that the poison was obtained by her to spray plants.

CHICAGO, April 11.—Developments today in the investigation of the poisoning of David Cunningham, Jr., of Gary, Ind., caused Coroner Oscar Wolff to announce that he would ask the coroner of Lake county, Indiana, to examine the bodies of Cunningham's father, David Cunningham, Sr., a sister and three other all of whom died under suspicious circumstances within a period of six years.

Dr. Thomas Carter had found the young man suffering from poisoning.

Young Cunningham was said by physicians at the hospital to be out of danger. Prompt treatment and blood transfusion yesterday were credited with saving his life.

He said he was first taken ill six weeks ago, after eating his lunch while at work as a mechanic.

He was ill two weeks and apparently recovered and returned to work. Nearly a month ago after eating dinner at home he became ill, he said, with pains in his abdomen. All of his food, he said, had been prepared by his mother.

CHICAGO, April 11.—Mrs. David Cunningham, Gage, Indiana, widow and mother of David Cunningham, Jr., who is in a critical condition, diagnosed as caused by poisoning, today was taken into technical custody by the state's attorney for questioning.

State's attorney Crow desires to interrogate Mrs. Cunningham concerning deaths of five members of her family in six years and the illness of her son. Her husband, one daughter and three sons died after a short illness. The husband and father, David Cunningham, Sr., died at Valparaiso, Ind., in 1919, and was the first of the family to die. Possibility of the exhumation of dead members of the family was indicated by officials.

SUPPOSED BOMB STIRS WYOMING

CHEYENNE, Wyo., April 11.—State Law Enforcement Commissioner M. C. Wachtel stated today that there was no connection between the guard which had been placed over the governor's mansion here and a "bomb" which recently was delivered at his department by a representative of the Prairie Oil and Gas Company. The "bomb" is an artillery shell about twelve inches in length and three inches in diameter was found by a watchman at a camp of the Salt Creek field and was delivered to the law enforcement department for examination.

COLLIDES WITH LIGHT POST

The Ford touring car, driven by W. R. Bates, who resides 7 1/2 miles south of this city, was slightly damaged about 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, when it attempted to turn at the intersection of Stephens and C streets, running into the light pole near Kearney's Groceria. Mr. Bates being used to driving a larger car, became confused using the wrong pedals and collided with the pole. No damage was done beyond slightly bending the right fender and damaging the right headlight.

STATE SCHOOL SUPT. WILL HEAD OLD NORMAL

Revived Ashland School to Have J. A. Churchill For President.

NAMED BY REGENTS

Career as Educator Marked by Many Improvements in Institutions of Oregon.

SALEM, Ore., April 11.—J. A. Churchill, who for nearly 12 years has been state superintendent of schools, was yesterday elected by the Board of Regents of Oregon Normal Schools as president of the State Normal School, to be re-established at Ashland.

The election of Mr. Churchill was announced as unanimous. The names of two other candidates were before the board, J. A. McLaughlin, superintendent of the Corvallis schools, and George A. Briscoe, superintendent of the Ashland schools. The board first expressed itself by a ballot vote and Churchill had an easy majority, whereupon the election was made unanimous.

Mr. Churchill, himself a member of the board, did not vote and was not present. All other members of the board were present. They are Governor Pierce, Secretary of State Sam A. Koser, C. L. Starr of Portland, Frank J. Miller of Albany, E. E. Bragg of Salem, George A. Hartman of Pendleton, W. C. Bryant of Moro and J. V. Fuller of Ashland.

Mr. Churchill was appointed state superintendent of schools by Governor Oswald West 12 years ago, the first of the coming June. Prior to that time he had been for 22 years superintendent of the Baker schools.

His election as president of the Ashland Normal School will be effective not earlier than January 1 or later than March 1, 1926. The exact date will be determined by members of the board. Prior to assuming his new office, he will go East to make a further study of normal schools and to select some members of his faculty.

The 1925 Legislature made an appropriation of \$125,000 to revive the Ashland normal, this amount to be used in construction of a new building. The act also provides for a tax levy of one twenty-fifth of a mill for maintenance purposes, the equivalent of approximately \$40,000 a year.

Mr. Churchill's appointment as president of the normal school will be \$4,500 a year. The contract entered into with the Board of Regents is for four years. H. Bennes of Portland was appointed architect for the new building, and the board will visit Ashland soon to select a site for the structure.

After his appointment as state superintendent of schools by Governor West in 1913, Mr. Churchill was elected in 1914 and re-elected in 1918 and 1922. Mr. Churchill is a native of Ohio and obtained his early education in that state. From Ohio Northern University, he was graduated in civil engineering, and later obtained his master's degree from that university.

The University of Oregon has also conferred upon him the master's degree. Many achievements in Oregon school development in the last decade are credited to Mr. Churchill. He has promoted the standardization of the rural schools, standardization of high school course in the state and organization of boys and girls industrial clubs. The high school tuition fund law, passed by the legislature of 1915, was an idea of Mr. Churchill and resulted in a great increase in attendance in Oregon high schools.

The giving of credit to high school students for music work outside of school hours was inaugurated in Oregon by Mr. J. A. Churchill. Also he promoted moral instruction in the schools and it was through his efforts that Oregon became the first state in the Union to provide week-day religious school vocational education under the Smith-Hughes act was inaugurated in this state by Churchill.

Referendum on Oregon Motor Bus Bill Assailed Because Its Title Refers to "Tax" Not Provided For

SALEM, Ore., April 11.—Alleging that the ballot title prepared by Attorney General Van Winkle for the proposed referendum of the "bus bill" does not correctly state the contents of the bill, the county courts of Marion and Lane counties today filed in the circuit court for Marion county an appeal to that court from the attorney-general's title. The most important allegation in the appeal is that the ballot title as written by the attorney-general mentions "taxes" imposed on the buses whereas, it is claimed, the act makes no mention of taxes.

"The ballot title provided by the attorney-general," says the complaint, "refers to the charges imposed for use of the highways as 'taxes' whereas in fact, said act

BAGDAD STUNT ON MATTRESS; FALLS 6 STORIES; NOT HURT

(Associated Press Local Wire.) SAN FRANCISCO, April 11.—Melvin Lewis looked upon a certain insidious beverage while it was red last night. He then decided to emulate the example of a resident of the ancient city of Bagdad, who made a few mysterious passes over the front hall carpet, and was transported by said carpet to his country club or wherever he wanted to go. But Lewis used a mattress instead of a carpet. Trusting the mattress out of his sixth story hotel room, he also made a few mysterious passes over it and then jumped on it. But the mattress refused to float, just dropped the whole six stories with Lewis on top. "Absolutely unhurt," was the astounding verdict of the doctor after Lewis had been rushed to an emergency hospital.

LOOTER OREGON TREASURY GETS LONG SENTENCE

Nine Year Penalty Imposed on C. W. Thompson Former Cashier.

ALL DELAYS WAIVED

Court Revokes Parole From First Sentence Because Shortage More Than Led to Believe.

(Associated Press Local Wire.) SALEM, Ore., April 11.—Pale, unshaven, and seemingly on the verge of nervous collapse, Clarence W. Thompson, former cashier in the state treasurer's office, stood before Judge Percy R. Kelly today and was sentenced to serve a maximum of nine years in the state penitentiary. It was said that Thompson would probably be "dressed in" at the state prison before noon today.

Without an attorney, Thompson, escorted by Sheriff Bower, was brought from the county jail into the court room at 10 o'clock. His appearance was for arraignment, and not necessarily for sentence today, even should he plead guilty. But Thompson pleaded guilty in person and chose not to accept the two days allowed by law before imposition of the sentence. A crowded court room heard the prisoner's plea and the statement made by him in almost an undertone. Thompson avoided the gaze of the crowd and kept his eyes on the court.

"I will fix next Tuesday," said Judge Kelly, "as the time to impose sentence."

"Your Honor, interrupted Thompson, "I want to waive time. I have been sick since Tuesday. If I have to go out there, I want no delay—so I can have some attention. I had hoped to be situated so I could pay back the money."

The maximum of nine years which Thompson must serve, is a combination of penalties for the first and the second charges on which he was haled into court, for today in pronouncing a sentence of up to seven years on the second charge, which had its origin after disposal of the first case, Judge Kelly announced revocation of the parole granted in the first instance and in its stead the alternative of a state prison sentence of not more than two years.

"This case," said Judge Kelly in explaining his previous parole of Thompson, "first appealed to the court as that of a young man with an invalid wife who had taken about \$1,000 of state funds. He said he had intended to repay it, and showing was made that he had repaid in that amount. The court believed the case at that time showed absence of venality on the part of the defendant. Since that time it has been disclosed that the defendant actually took more than three times the amount that he swore he had

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LAST BROCCOLI SHIPMENT SENT OUT OF RIDDLE

Sixty-Third Carload and Last for Season, Started Rolling Today.

FUTURE LOOKS GOOD

More Broccoli to Be Planted During Coming Summer and Fall Than Ever Before in County.

The last carload of broccoli for the season was shipped out of Riddle today consigned to coast points. As it has taken four days to gather sufficient broccoli from the vicinities of Canyonville, Riddle and Myrtle Creek to make up this carload, it is not expected that there will be any more car-loads, but that future shipments will be made in small express lots.

Sixty-three cars in all were shipped during the season, all except one being loaded out of Myrtle Creek and Riddle. The one exception was loaded in Roseburg. The coast market absorbed the greater part of the crop although several cars were shipped to Chicago and mid western points. No shipments were made to the far east this year.

Prices ranged from \$1.15 to \$1.75 per crate, but the complete figures for the season are not yet available, as the exchanges have not yet made up their books covering all shipments.

In spite of the great losses through the severe cold weather of December, the broccoli growers of the county are not discouraged, and are going ahead with plans for larger plantings than ever before. It is reported that more acres will be planted during the coming summer and fall, than at any time since the industry was started in the county.

Growers are putting considerable hope in the accidental discovery that acid phosphate applied to the land instills a frost and cold resistant quality to the crop. Although tests to determine the full powers of the chemical fertilizer have not yet been possible, many growers are going to apply the chemical anyway, in the hope that it will prevent future losses.

County Agent B. W. Cooney, and experts from the Oregon Agricultural College, are making plans for extensive experiments in various sections of the county during the winter, to determine just how far broccoli can be protected by the use of this fertilizer.

Another matter which growers are giving careful thought is that of seed certification. Many growers have lost heavily in the past by poor seed, and it has been suggested that broccoli seed be kept two years before being planted, and that in the intervening year that it be tested in trial plots to determine its quality. This will result in higher grades of seed and better returns at harvest, with higher returns to the growers.

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