

**5/10 Weather**  
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Forecast for southwest Oregon:  
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occasional rain, normal tempera-  
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## FINGERPRINTS REVEAL WOMAN IN CASE

### Today

Always Gay in Chicago.  
A \$110,000,000 Idea.  
23,000 Must Die.  
The Dangerous Crime.

By Arthur Brisbane  
(Copyright 1927 by Star Company)

CHICAGO — Far western cities, once "tough" are now tender as a spring lamb. But Chicago never disappoints. Today's news, read in the bracing air from the lake, tells you of one gangster "taken" for a "ride," one of those sad Chicago rides. A lady found his body with many bullets where his automobile ride ended. Gamblers had half promised to "lay off" during the Merry Christmas shopping season, but regretted their kindness. They, also, should share the season's festivities; besides, they had some shooting to do. Frank Noonan, "proprietor of a popular beer oasis" who disagreed with some others as to law-breaking "privileges," was found shot to death, at the entrance to his oasis. "Gats" carried here have many bullets, and when shooting starts, there is rarely a failure.

These fights and killings in Chicago's jungle do not bother the big city of terrific enterprise. Gamblers, gangsters, blackmailers, beer runners, etc. only shoot each other, and in spite of occasional police defiance, the professional criminal's life is made harder daily. If there were not so much money in bootlegging, such willing payments to various officials "for not seeing what they might see," police work would be easier.

Long ago, near Batavia, N. Y., a boy was born and soon had an idea. He once told this writer how he gave up smoking "extravagant five-cent cigars," saving money to carry out his plan and build his first car.

Two men sept in the upper, two in the lower berth for fifty cents apiece. Abraham Lincoln was one of his first passengers, going from Chicago to Springfield, and was too long for the berth. The other man protested. The man selling the tickets beside the car was George M. Pullman and now the Interstate Commerce Commission fixes the value of his Pullman company at \$110,238,786, which is far below its real value.

Get a good idea, stick to it, make sacrifices, and the idea will take care of you later.

Statistics, carefully analyzed tell, with marvelous accuracy, what will happen. The number of suicides in each month is foretold, and now you learn that just about 23,000 will be killed and 700,000 injured by automobiles in the coming year.

Nearly all those deaths and accidents would be avoided, if men, women and children could be made to realize that public roads are more dangerous now than railroad tracks. Many deaths would be avoided if every man were jailed for a year, when caught driving, moderately or completely drunk.

There is some comfort for worried parents in the fact that the Los Angeles kidnaping was based on revenge, it was not a kidnaping crime in the ordinary sense.

Children should be warned not to go with strangers on any pretext, and should never be sent away with strangers by those in charge of them, as the

### MISSING



MRS. GRAYSON

### PLANE IS LOST

### MRS. GRAYSON AND CREW OF SHIP ARE LOST

Efforts to Locate Amphibian Plane, Long Overdue Prove Futile Late this Afternoon — May Be in Sea.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 24.—All efforts to locate the amphibian plane of Mrs. Frances W. Grayson and her three men companions, hours overdue, had proved futile this afternoon.

As the gasoline supply was only enough to last 20 hours after the start from Roosevelt Field, N. Y., or until one o'clock this afternoon, it was felt certain that the plane had made a forced landing somewhere between Cape Cod, where it was last heard from, and Trinity Bay, N. F., her destination.

No wireless station "working" in this district over which the plane was to pass had received any message either from the plane or concerning it from coastal stations or ships at sea.

Weather conditions over the intended route during the night and today were not unfavorable, winds being only fresh and visibility good.

Although it was generally believed the plane was down, it was considered quite possible that the descent had been made in some isolated bay where there was no danger, but from which communi-

### FEEBLE-MINDED HOME SAID TO BE 'HELL-HOLE'

Doctor Charges That Young Boys Must Submit to Sterilization.

### A DIPPY'S RETREAT

Superintendent Denies Allegations—Boy Received Wound From Knife of Kitchen Help.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 24.—A heated session between Dr. J. N. Smith, superintendent of the state institution for the feeble minded, and Dr. G. U. Snapp, a Salem practitioner, took place at the institution today, arising over disposition of the case of Llewellyn Burnside, a 14 year old boy who escaped from the institution a week ago.

Snapp averred that the boy is above normal, should not have been in the institution, and offered to take him, educate him and give him all the privileges of normal children.

"I hope some day he'll be governor. I hope he'll come here and beat this place flat," said Snapp. Dr. Smith told Snapp that he would be allowed to take the boy without the sterilization, which ordinarily is required by his state eugenics board before an inmate is released.

The main contention arose over a wound in the boy's head which he received before his escape. Dr. Snapp, who dressed the wound when the lad appeared at Bridal Veil, declared the boy told the truth when he said it was caused by a knife with which one of the kitchen employes had struck him.

The institution authorities declared it was caused by the boy's chair falling over and his striking his head on a radiator. This was confirmed by at least one of the boy inmates, but Snapp declared the lad had been coached what to say. He said young Burnside had told him this would be the story.

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### BANK IN BUENOS AIRES IS BOMBED

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The National City Bank of New York today received a cable dispatch from Buenos Aires stating a bomb had been exploded outside its branch bank here this morning and adding that another bomb had been exploded in front of a branch of the First National Bank of Boston. The dispatch contained no details.

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 24.—A bomb exploded at the Buenos Aires branch building of the National City Bank of New York today. Several persons were injured.

The bomb was a powerful one and caused considerable damage, the windows in adjoining buildings also being shattered.

Later evidence indicated that from 12 to 15 persons were wounded, some being taken to the hospital badly injured.

Immense crowds gathered, making the work of rescue difficult.

### DOWNHEARTED, SUICIDES

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

PETALUMA, Calif., Dec. 24.—Ben Erickson, 38, of Klamath Falls, Oregon, attempted suicide by slashing his throat on the highway south of Cotati tonight. He told police he was penniless, without work, and dreaded the prospect of a hungry Christmas.

After slashing his throat, Erickson crawled under a culvert to die. The wound was only superficial, however. A passing autoist took him to a hospital. Physicians said Erickson probably will recover.

### NEWS-REVIEW GIVEN GIFT FINE PRIZES

The News-Review force is very grateful today to the Norton Canning company for a fine Christmas gift. Through the courtesy of Mr. Norton, the manager, the News-Review this morning received a full case of delicious, canned, Italian prunes, from the choice stock packed by the local cannery. The prunes were distributed to the members of the force and were received with much pleasure.

Miss Alta Tanner is here from Grants Pass visiting, having arrived last evening from the south.

### TEXAS COUPLE DISAPPEAR ON WAY ROSEBURG

Left Bandon on 28th of November and Have Not Been Seen Since.

### LETTERS HAVE CEASED

Officers Making Search of Canyon on Accident Theory—May Have Met Foul Play.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

Local officers are today making a search for Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Webb, recently of Abilene, Texas, who disappeared on Nov. 28 and have not been heard from since that time. They were last seen at Bandon, where Mr. Webb was given a position with the Coast Guard. They started back to Roseburg to gather up their personal effects, promising to return to Bandon on the 29th. They never reached Roseburg and letters to Mrs. Webb's parents, which were sent regularly while the couple were in Roseburg, ceased on that date. Mr. and Mrs. Webb were married during the summer and had come to Oregon to make their home. The parents of the couple have become apprehensive and have appealed to the officers for assistance. On the theory that the couple met with an accident returning from Bandon on the night of the 28th, the officers are today starting a search for the missing auto. Traffic Officer Williams of Coquille is conducting the search in Coos County and Sheriff Webb is today sending out a deputy to go through the canyon on foot as far as the Douglas county line.

There are many places on the coast road where the car could have gone over a steep bank and could not be seen from the road. If it is found that they did not meet with an accident the officers will proceed on the theory that they have met with foul play.

### Couple Newly Married

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis were married during the late summer after Mr. Webb had completed 5 years

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### POLICE FINDING MORE EVIDENCE IN BOY'S ROOM

Apartments Yield Fingerprints of a Mysterious Woman, Said by Hickman to Be Involved in Los Angeles Child Mutilation—Hickman Calm

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—Finger prints found in the Bellevue Arms apartment of William E. Hickman, confessed kidnaper of little Marian Parker, today definitely connected a woman in the case of the murder of the child, police announced.

Lieutenant H. L. Barlow, police finger print expert declared the prints were not those of any woman thus far mentioned in the case. An exhaustive examination of finger prints on file in police files was started.

Two finger prints were found this morning when Lieutenant Barlow made a new examination of the apartment Hickman occupied under the name of Evans. One was on a milk bottle and the other on a plate.

Police late this morning declared they did not attach importance to the finding of a pair of stockings and underwear at first believed to have been worn by the girl when she was kidnaped. The garments, found wrapped in a newspaper dated December 17, the date the girl was abducted, were declared not those of Marian Parker.

### Explains Bloodstains

PENDLETON, Dec. 24.—While officers from Los Angeles were on their way to Pendleton today to get William Edward Hickman, he gave an explanation of facts which the southern police believed indicated that Marian Parker, 12-year-old banker's daughter, was killed in Hickman's apartment before her body was delivered to her father last Saturday night.

A report that there were ten bars of soap in his rooms was accounted for by Hickman by saying that he had one bar about half used, which he had been using daily, and that he had several bars which he had picked up at hotels on his recent travels. He said he had one can of cleaning powder, not two, as Los Angeles reports stated. He used this he said, in cleaning the bath tub.

There were no blood stains in his apartment, he definitely stated. There might have been some spots of blood on a towel from cuts while shaving.

### Were Not Mittens

He denied that there was a pair of home-made mittens in the place. He said that while in Kansas City he had made a holster for his revolver from a sleeve of a shirt; and he declared he had made a casing of oil cloth for his gun. These he believed were what has been considered by the police as home-made mittens.

"It was sometime after I left before the police made their search of the place, and I am not responsible for what might have been put there after I left," he said.

Hickman bore the brunt of a battery of motion picture cameras in the jail today. The cameramen who had been waiting for permission from the chief of police to take movies of Hickman finally were allowed to train their lenses on the prisoner today. Yesterday the chief would allow nothing but still pictures to be taken.

Today also Chief Gurdane and State Officer Lieualien, who captured Hickman, on the Old Oregon Trail near here Thursday, posed for the moving picture men.

### Will Hold Hickman

City Attorney C. Z. Randall announced early this afternoon that the city authorities had decided that Hickman would not be released to the Los Angeles officers until they could produce extradition papers. Approval of a California requisition for Hickman was being obtained today from Governor I. L. Patterson at Salem.

Prosecuting Attorney Keyes, Chief of Detectives Cline and other officers of Los Angeles were on a train due here late today. They announced before leaving Portland that a statement would be obtained from Hickman immediately after their arrival.

Hickman has declared, ever since he made his confession of participation in the kidnaping plot, that he did not kill the girl, but that she was slain, and her body dismembered by a confederate whom he named as Andrew Cramer, with whom he had been associate din a number of holdups.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 24.—Asa B. Keyes, Los Angeles district at-

### HICKMAN AND HIS CAPTORS



Chief of Police Tom Gurdane, of Pendleton (left), who with State Traffic Sergeant C. L. "Buck" Lieualien (right) captured William Edward Hickman, (center), youthful kidnaper and suspected slayer of Marian Parker, 12, Los Angeles. This late photo of the kidnaper and his captors was rushed to the Roseburg News-Review by airplane.

### NO PAPER MONDAY

Owing to the fact that Christmas will be legally celebrated on Monday, December 25, the News-Review management and staff will join the rest of the community in observing the holiday, and there will be no publication on that day.

In the event any startling news concerning the Hickman case is received during the two-day holiday season, a special edition will immediately be issued by the News-Review to inform subscribers regarding the developments in the case.