

5/10 Weather
Highest temperature yesterday... 43
Lowest temperature last night... 31
Forecast for southwest Oregon:
Snow turning to rain tonight and
Sunday, rising temperature.

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Today

Whispering Foolishness.
Rockefeller Listens.
The Colored Porter's Job.
Lindbergh in Guatemala.

—By Arthur Brisbane—
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WINSLOW, Ariz. — Newspapers talk of a "whispering campaign," suggesting that Herbert Hoover is not eligible to the presidency, because, working at his profession as engineer in various parts of the world, he has not spent all of the last fourteen years in the United States. The constitution says "Neither shall a person be eligible to that office who shall not have been fourteen years a resident of the United States."

Herbert Hoover was born in the United States, has worked wherever he chose, in any part of the earth, which is the right to every American. He did not lose his citizenship or birth right by crossing the ocean.

His travels, seeing what science and engineering have accomplished elsewhere, have enabled Herbert Hoover to suggest on a sound basis, magnificent, needed projects for the United States.

The Grand Lama of Tibet is supposed to live cooped up in one place, but the United States doesn't need a Grand Lama for president.

When they told Lincoln that General Grant drank too much whisky, he asked what kind of whisky, and suggested that the same be given to other generals.

It would be a good idea to find out just where Herbert Hoover has done his traveling and send some of our other statesmen on the same trip. They need it.

Mr. Hoover's ancestors have been born and lived in America for six generations. Not that it makes any difference. The son of any immigrant, born in this country, might be, and often is ten times better than a man with ten American generations back of him.

Part of Hoover's absence abroad was devoted to war work, feeding hungry children. Would he make a better president had he spent that time at home, working for war profits?

John D. Rockefeller, 88 years old, immediately changes his "staunch" at golf, when told by a professional that he stood too close to the ball. That change lengthened his drive by 20 yards and he won a nickel, solemnly bet with his friend General Ames, and went home contented.

Mr. Rockefeller has said that his success in the beginning was due to patience and economy.

It may have been due also to his ability to listen to others and take advice. That is a thing that many young men who would like to be Rockefeller have not learned to do.

For the first time, Chinese replace colored men as porters on trains. The Northwestern-Pacific lines have installed twelve young Chinese as club car porters in place of negroes. All but one of the twelve are American born.

They will work well doubtless, but the public satisfied with excellent service rendered by colored porters, will not like them displaced. Colored men are descendants of those brought to this country against their will, as slaves and for that reason are entitled to special consideration.

Lindbergh's visit to Guatemala and Nicaragua, flying over vast forests, in uninhabited areas.
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Hickman and Accused Aide Confess



Wilby Hunt, upper, confessed accomplice of Edward Hickman, lower, in the murder of a druggist in a Los Angeles suburb; sketches illustrate highlights in Hickman's new confession. Upper, Hickman meets Hunt, December, 1926, and they hold up drug store in Los Angeles, killing pharmacist. Center, the two boys go to San Francisco. Lower, armed with guns they held up two drug stores and a grocer's.

PARENTS SAY GOVERNMENT CRUCIFIED SON

Cruel Indifference to Fate of Sub Victims Is Charged.

INVESTIGATION ASKED

Rescue Operation to Be Probed by Special Committee of Congress—Went Ship Raised.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The Navy Department was accused today by the parents of Commander Roy K. Jones, commander of the submarine S-4, with having "crucified our dear boy and his comrades" and also with having displayed a "cruel indifference" toward the crew of the sunken ship.

The parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Jones, set forth these views, in a jointly signed letter to Representative McClintic of Oklahoma, a delegate on the home naval committee, who has demanded a congressional inquiry into the sinking of the ship.

"We both feel that the Navy Department has crucified our dear boy and his comrades and the cruel indifference which they have shown toward these poor boys who died in the service of their country is inhuman and without a precedent," the letter said.

McClintic, in making public the letter, issued a statement declaring that it "will be a travesty on justice" for congress to refuse to create a special committee to investigate the disaster. Both the letter and statement were given to the press for publication today prior to the announcement late yesterday by Secretary Wilbur that a special inquiry had been ordered by the Navy into rescue operations.

The secretary at that time explained that the special investigation was being held.
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THREE ALARM FIRE SETS NEW RECORD PORTLAND DEPT.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 31.—A spectacular three alarm fire which damaged the Pacific Asbestos and Supply company, on front street, to the extent of \$50,000; the setting of a record-breaking number of fire alarms for a 24 hour period and one of the most difficult fights ever, waged by the Portland fire department against flames and the elements featured the last days of Lee G. Holden's regime as chief of the Portland fire bureau.

A chilling east wind froze the two score hose lines to the streets and coated scantily clad firemen with thin sheets of ice, hampering their actions as they fought the Pacific asbestos and Supply company fire.

TWENTY-FIVE HURT IN TRAIN WRECK AT CHICAGO YARDS

Driving Snowstorm and Intense Cold Hinder Rescue Work—One Woman Is Dead.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Twenty-five persons were injured and at least one killed in a triple collision here today between three passenger trains of the Chicago and Alton railroad.

Number 8, a St. Louis-Chicago passenger train, had stopped in the West Thirty-Seventh street yards for water, and number 78, a St. Louis mail train, had halted behind it when number 19, "the Hummer" from Kansas City, ran into the mail train and threw it into the St. Louis passenger train.

The injured with the exception of the fireman, Estill E. Beatty, of Bloomington, on the locomotive pulling "the Hummer," were all in the sleepers of the leading train, the Alton management said.

One Woman Dead
Miss Sarah Spreckel, 18, of Tulsa, Okla., alive but seriously injured, and an unidentified woman who was dead, were removed from the wreckage of a Pullman car in the Chicago and Alton wreck today after firemen and railroad employees had cut thru the walls of the coach with acetylene torches. The rescue work was greatly hampered by the weather.
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U. OF O. VARSITY BEATS LOCALS BY SCORE 54-29

Untrained Collegians Unable to Hold Out Against Better Trained Squad.

GAME IS EXCITING

Varsity Displayed Ragged Offense and Lack of Teamwork in Hard-Fought Contest.

Despite rough and ragged playing and a one-sided score the game last night between the University of Oregon varsity and the Roseburg Collegians was a contest that furnished plenty of excitement for the large crowd of spectators that filled the seats at the Senior high school gym. The University won 54 to 29, but until the last few minutes of play the game was a fairly even contest with the Roseburg team constituting a real threat.

While the game was an entertaining and exciting exhibition, the crowd was considerably disappointed in the showing made by the U. of O. team, which lacked the teamwork and coordination necessary to take a high place in the coast conference. In the first half the offense was very weak, while the defense left the Roseburg team many openings, and except for the local team's inability to hit the basket, the score would have been far different, for the locals had many more shots at the goal than did the varsity, but lacked the accuracy of the visitors.

In the first half the Roseburg defense was going strong; Roseburg took first basket, and for a few minutes the score saw-sawed back and forth. Then the varsity took a small lead, but near the end of the half Roseburg evened things up, but another spurt put the green-lemon supporters 9 points ahead at the end of the half, 24 to 15.

A change of line-up weakened Roseburg's defense at the opening of the second half and Eugene piled up a wide margin. Roseburg's lineup was again shifted and the Collegians staged a sensational rally that brought the crowd wildly to its feet, but the spurt was short lived for the unconditioned local players were unable to keep up the pace and after exhausting themselves fell easy prey to the better trained visitors.

The varsity weakness was most evident in its ragged offense.
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WIFE OF DISTRICT ROTARY GOVERNOR DROWNED SEATTLE

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 31.—The body of Mrs. Hanx Manny, wife of the Rotary governor of Seattle, who was drowned Thursday night in Lake Washington, had not been recovered today. She was drowned when an automobile backed off the ferry into the lake. Her husband had neglected to put the car out of gear when cranking, it was reported. The car was brought to the surface yesterday, but there was no trace of the woman's body.

Mrs. Manny was known to many Roseburg people, having visited here with her husband at the occasion of his visits to the local Rotary club.

SNOW TRAPS 22 BOY SCOUTS IN SIERRA RANGE

Struggle for Life Starts With Provisions for Only Two Days.

RESCUE PARTY FAILS

Caterpillar Tractor Used in Attempts to Force Passage—Oregon Cold General.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
MODESTO, Calif., Dec. 31.—Twenty-two Stanislaus county Boy Scouts, snow bound in a lumber camp ten miles in the Sierras beyond Long Barn, California, with only two days' provisions, today faced a death struggle with the drifts separating them from civilization.

The boys, averaging from 12 to 14 years, were scheduled to strike out for Long Barn on foot while a rescue party with a caterpillar tractor attempted to crawl into the mountains to meet them. Vernon Baird, scout executive, telephoned from the lumber camp last night that the boys had conquered three miles of drifts believed from ten to fourteen feet deep, arriving at the lumber camp safe and in good spirits.

The scouts went to their camp at Pine Crest, in the Sierras, 45 miles above Sonora, last week with two automobiles. They were provisioned for a week and expected to break camp Thursday.

Rescue Party Baffled
Heavy snows in the Sierras cut off communication with the camp
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ROBBER KILLS PIONEER MAN AT KLAMATH FALLS

Resisted Order to Deliver Money and Was Shot Through Head.

SLAYER MADE ESCAPE

Scoped Currency From Safe and Joined Crowd of Hurrying Pedestrians Outside.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Dec. 31.—John Ansell, pioneer resident of Klamath Falls and employed in the Klamath Gun Store, was murdered this morning shortly after 7 o'clock by a robber who looted the hardware store safe of several hundred dollars.

The robbery and murder occurred while hundreds of people were passing to and fro in front of the store. Just a few minutes before the murder, Ansell had waved to a city patrolman as he passed by on his way to work and had chatted with the janitor. The only shot fired from the .45 calibre revolver cleaved thru Ansell's brain and emerged on the other side of the head, dropping to the floor where officers later picked it up. Death was instantaneous.

Ten minutes before the shooting a colored janitor was cleaning up the establishment. Ansell was opening the safe. In the rear of the store the janitor said there was a dark man, with black slouch hat and red and black mackinaw who, he thought, had apparently been given permission by Ansell to warm himself by the stove.

Shortly before 7 a. m. Helene Brettenstein, a Herald reporter, noticed a man standing before the gun store peering thru the window. As she passed the store the man turned and stared at her. Her description of the man corresponds with that of the janitor.

Police believe that Ansell was told to throw up his hands and resisted strenuously. His glasses were found broken and blood spattered on top of a counter several feet away from the body.

The safe was open at the time of the killing and the murderer scooped up all currency and checks inside. He failed to take a large quantity of silver.

After looting the vault, the unknown killer calmly turned off the lights of the store and walked to the street to join the stream of pedestrians hurrying to and fro in a heavy snow storm that struck Klamath this morning. Ten minutes later a patrol of the store
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IMITATOR OF HICKMAN LOOSE IN NEW JERSEY

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
BEVERLY, N. J., Dec. 31.—A bespeckled would-be kidnaper who calls himself "the wolf" and who terrorized this neighborhood for three days, was sought today by police throughout the state.

Believed to have been prompted in his actions by reading of the kidnaping and slaying of Marian Parker in Los Angeles by William Edward Hickman, who nicknamed himself "the fox," the man has made three appearances in this vicinity. Terror-stricken mothers have been warned to keep their children indoors while anxious fathers serve in poses.

"The wolf's" latest appearance was at midnight last night when he attacked 17-year-old Reginald Duncan, son of the superintendent of the Beverly cemetery. It was his second attempt to carry off young Duncan. On Thursday night the boy escaped after a severe beating and last night he got away before the assailant, described as about 35 years old and more than 6 feet in height, got hold of him. A young woman nurse frustrated "the wolf's" attempt to kidnap an infant son of a prominent Riverton family three days ago.

COUNTY LEVY REDUCED MORE THAN 5 MILLS

Assessor Calkins Announces Tax Rate Will Be 17 Mills.

CITY IS ALSO LOWER

Roseburg to Have Smaller Levy Despite Issuance of Recent Deer Creek Bridge Bonds.

As a result of the O. and C. grand jury report and the government to Douglas county the levy for the ensuing year for state and county purposes has been reduced from 22.3 mills to 17, a reduction of 5.3 mills, according to an announcement made today by County Assessor Frank Calkins.

At the time the county was working for the O. and C. refund it was stated that the payments, if granted, would decrease the state and county tax by 20 per cent, and the levy just calculated by the county assessor proves that the claim was accurate.

Taxes paid this year, as extended on last year's roll, were levied at the rate of 22.3 mills. It was necessary last year to raise \$192,119.36 for bond redemption and \$77,184.57 interest on bonds. The money applied by the county to the bond redemption fund, together with payments to be made each year by the government, will take care of the bond principal and interest payments, it is believed, and consequently it was not necessary this year to raise the money for such purposes.

The levy for county and state purposes, as announced by Assessor Calkins, is as follows:

| Fund | Levy | Amount |
|-------------------|---------|--------------|
| State Tax | 0.0644 | \$219,690.27 |
| General County | 0.04194 | 142,592.27 |
| Common School | 0.01952 | 67,226.23 |
| Library | 0.00021 | 713.58 |
| General Road | 0.0279 | 93,358.28 |
| Market Road | 0.01510 | 51,338.66 |
| Fire Patrol | 0.00020 | 679.98 |
| Indigent Soldiers | 0.00060 | 2,039.94 |
| Total | 0.17000 | \$577,539.71 |

The work of extending the assessment roll is now underway. In addition to the state and county tax of 17 mills the various taxing districts will have added their special school and road taxes in whatever amounts they have voted.

In the cities there will be added the school and city taxes. Roseburg will have a tax levy this year of 44.4 mills, a reduction of 2.9 mills despite the fact that the city only recently added a burden of \$37,000 in bonds for bridge construction. Last year the city's tax rate was 47.3 mills.

BODIES NOT FOUND

The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Wata who are believed to have been drowned in Coos Bay when their car went into the water at the end of Virginia avenue in North Bend, Nov. 28, have not yet been found. The bay has been dredged in the locality where the car was found, and a search is being made of the shoreline.

DRY FORGES OF GOVERNMENT TO CURB REVELRY

Augmented Squads to Be on Duty Tonight in Chief Moist Centers.

CITIES GIVE NO HELP

Chicago Hotel Men Take No Chances—New York Club Reservations Are Exhausted.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Prohibition enforcement in Chicago tonight will be purely a federal affair with enforcement officers on duty from 2 p. m. until the last tin horn has sounded its blatant hurrah to the New Year.

Chief of Police Hughes indicated that the police force would make no extra efforts toward liquor law enforcement.

The federal prohibition department, however, has made exclusive plans to make certain that Chicago's New Year eve celebration is dry.

A force of 250 federal men has been assigned to the hotels and cabarets. The department, under the direction of E. C. Yellowley, administrator, has been recruited for the occasion by agents from Indianapolis, Milwaukee, and Southern Illinois cities.

The federal men are understood to have been instructed to arrest any hip flask toters they may observe. Many hotels have posted notices that no "setups" of gingerale and cracked ice will be served.

Old Law Revoked
NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The shoot of an old revenue law rose today to cause some misgivings about what promised to be Broadway's most expensive and wildest celebration of a new year.

Under authority of this law prohibition agents stripped Chez Helen Morgan, one of the city's most popular night resorts, of its \$50,000 worth of furnishings. Owners of other night clubs became a bit apprehensive about tonight's developments.

Reservations at all the popular clubs and hotels had been exhausted days ago and it was estimated 100,000 persons would dine and dance the old year out and the new year in, paying at least \$1,000,000 for the privilege.

Officials Warn Clubs
Coupled with the threat made by the Morgan club raid was a letter sent all night club proprietors by Administrator Maurice Campbell in which he warned that two agents would be assigned to each club. It also called attention to a recent federal court decision in Chicago which held mere furnishing of glass, cracked ice or gingerale, with knowledge they would be used in consumption of liquor, was ground for padlock proceedings.

Campbell said that the raid on the Morgan club had the approval of United States Attorney Charles H. Tuttle. Tuttle said the dismantling of the club was carried out under section 3453 of the revised statutes. He added that he was convinced this section authorized the confiscation of property.

J. Arthur Adler, counsel for Miss Morgan and eight employees of the club, filed a writ of habeas corpus.
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OH SLUSH!
Certainly plenty of it today, but then it might be worse. The average temperature yesterday was 37, only four degrees below the normal for that date. The lowest last night was 31. And wasn't the snow pretty this morning?

The Office Cat grabbed his sled, as soon as the janitor unlocked the door, and scooted to Mt. Nebo, forgetting to leave his usual prediction. Prophet Pugh, however, says "Snow turning to rain tonight and Sunday, with rising temperature."

Hope he's right about that rising temperature stuff.

