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Lowest temperature last night... 41
Forecast for southwest Oregon:
Rain tonight and Thursday.

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Today

Immortality 50-50. What Is Marriage? A Mechanical Army. Bring Money.

By Arthur Brisbane

Edison says his belief in immortality is a "fifty-fifty proposition." He half believes, half disbelieves. If he should find himself living and conscious, in eternity, Edison would ask permission to spend his time experimenting.

Conan Doyle says he can prove that Edison is wrong and that immortality is the only possibility. Conan Doyle's son, it seems, went to a medium and talked to a young friend, killed in a motor accident. The dead friend called young Doyle by his nickname, mentioned the nicknames of mutual friends.

In other words, the "spirit" did several things that the medium might easily have done, but nothing that the medium could not have done.

Young Doyle should have asked the well educated spirit to quote the first lines of Iliad. He would have got no answer.

All the talk about trial marriage and companionable marriage makes one clergyman fear that marriage may become a lottery. Adam thought it was that, when he bit into that apple, and when one of his two boys killed the other.

Marriage is neither a lottery nor a safe bond issue. Schopenhauer says it is women's conspiracy to make every man support some one woman, as long as she lives. Which is pessimistic nonsense.

Marriage is a training school for men, and it will outlast all the foolish talk and suggestion for improvement.

Men ultimately will settle down to monogamy, realizing that one woman is a good deal more than any one man can understand, in one lifetime.

Our army is planning a "mechanized force," an army on wheels and "caterpillar" tractors, instead of men marching afoot or on horseback.

Back numbers of illustrated British publications will show the thing in action. Britain has whole regiments of tractors with cannons mounted in front, heavier cannon hauled behind—all the fighters between heavy armor plates.

Such a mechanical army has nothing to fear from any old fashioned weapon, except the lucky shot of a big cannon. But the air man with his T. N. T. bomb can take care of the "tank." Unluckily our military geniuses have not yet been able to realize the value of tanks or airplanes on a big scale. We are the most advanced nation in inventions, the most backward in using inventions.

An unfortunate woman of about 40, at down in Miss Aimee Simple McPherson's temple, Los Angeles, having swallowed much poison, and handed her unknown neighbor a card with these words written:

"Destitute, unable to find employment, I came here to enter eternity. A pauper."

This emphasizes the advice given here. When you come to California bring enough money to carry you for six months, at least, and then take you back again.

Wonderful opportunities here for the man with money to

MELLON, NOYES GET DEGREE AT PENNSYLVANIA

Treasury Head, Associated Press President Now Doctors of Laws.

GOV. FISHER ALSO

Praise Showered Upon the Recipients for Noted Work in Politics, Journalism.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22.—Andrew Mellon, secretary of the treasury; Governor Fisher, of Pennsylvania and Frank B. Noyes, president of the Associated Press, today received the honorary degree of doctor of laws at the Washington birthday exercises at the University of Pennsylvania.

These exercises have been held annually by the university, founded by Benjamin Franklin, since 1826.

Dr. Josiah H. Penniman, provost of the university, presided.

In conferring the degree upon the secretary of the treasury, Dr. Penniman said: "You have come to be regarded as one of the soundest thinkers and greatest geniuses of our country in the construction and administration of financial policies for the nation. In foreign as well as in domestic affairs your advice has been sought and your counsel given."

A. P. Head Lauded Dr. Penniman's remarks in conferring the degree upon Mr. Noyes were as follows: "Frank Brett Noyes, you received your early education in the schools of the city of Washington and in Columbia university, now the George Washington university. Your education and information of the public thru newspapers have occupied your attention throughout your life. As editor, manager and publisher you made for yourself an important place in connection with the Washington Star, the Chicago Record-Herald, and the Washington Evening Star, but it is in connection with your world wide news service that your great work has been done.

The greatest organization in the world for the dissemination of news is recognized as being the Associated Press. No corner of the world is without a representative of that agency for making known the doings of the world. Of this organization you have from the beginning been an important member. As director of its executive committee since 1894 and as president since 1900 you have borne great responsibilities.

Faith With World Kept "But greater than its far flung lines of communication, wonderful as they are, as an example of the power of organization is the fact that the Associated Press has kept faith with the world. With ideals of the highest kind, the organization has simply reflected your own high ideals concerning matters about which the world needs and thru your power has received accurate information as promptly as the telegraph with or without wires, has been able to transmit it.

"The history of the men who are responsible for the service of the Associated Press reads like a romance. Dangers encountered, difficulties overcome, heroic acts performed by the agents who keep the world informed of what is happening or has happened—these all are found in the pages of that history.

"To accord recognition to one whose achievements are so notable the university has invited you to be present today to receive a degree known throughout the world as one that is conferred only upon those whose life and labors mark them as worthy.

SERVICE STATION IN PORTLAND ROBBED

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 22.—Obtaining \$50 in currency and silver and tickets for 250 gallons of gasoline, two unmasked bandits held up the Gasco filling station at East First street and Broadway shortly before 8 a. m. today.

The money and gasoline scrip was removed from a safe which the bandits forced Carl Pierson, attendant, to open.

MUSSOLINI WORRIED: STORK ON VACATION

(Associated Press Leased Wire) ROME, Italy, Feb. 22.—Despite the exhortation of Premier Mussolini and Fascist chiefs for larger families, and Mussolini's frequent gifts of money from his own pocket to the parents of such families, it appears that births are falling off. Figures compiled for the first eleven months of 1927 show there were 1,933,000 births, which was a decided drop from the three previous years.

Births during these eleven months were 21,000 less than in 1925, and 38,000 less than in 1926, while they were 56,000 less than in 1924. On the other hand, less Italians are dying than in previous years. There were 562,000 deaths during the eleven months of 1927, which was 42,000 less than 1926, 22,000 less than in 1925, and 26,000 less than in 1924.

UMPUQA POST AUTO SHOW TO OPEN THURSDAY

All Agencies of City to Be Represented by Displays.

THREE BANDS PLAY

Plane From Roseburg Taking Out Announcements to All Towns of the County.

All is in readiness for the Umpqua Post American Legion auto show which is scheduled to open tomorrow evening at the armory. Decorators are busily engaged today doling up the interior of the armory auditorium, and it will look very attractive in the patriotic dress being provided.

Practically every foot of available display space has been taken by the various dealers who are entering the show. Nearly every agency in the city will be represented by a large display of new models. Some of the dealers are badly handicapped because of the delay in getting cars ordered for exhibition purposes. Several ordered shipments as soon as the show was announced, but in one or two cases the cars have been delayed just long enough to prevent the showing of as many models as had been desired. However, nearly every dealer of the city will have new cars on display, and while some will not have as many different models as they hoped to present the display will beyond question be the largest the city has ever known.

The entire space in the armory auditorium, except for a small section reserved for the bands that will supply the entertainment, and two legion booths, is given over entirely to exhibits of cars, accessories and associated industries. On one side of the main entrance the American Legion will have "hot dog" stand, while on the opposite side the auxiliary will maintain a refreshment booth, quite novel in character.

Bands to Play Three bands will furnish music for the entertainment. Tomorrow night the Sutherland band, under the leadership of T. H. Olsen will play. Friday night the Four Corners Silver Concert band will play and on Saturday night the Roseburg Municipal Band, under the leadership of Dale Strange, will furnish the program. The bands will play street concerts each evening at 7 o'clock and will play inside the hall at 7:30 p. m.

The show is being widely advertised throughout the county. Harold Adams, local aviator, and one of the committeemen is flying to all the nearby towns and is distributing circulars from the air at each of these places.

It is expected that there will be an exceptionally large attendance. An admission price of 25 cents will be charged and each ticket purchased will secure a chance on one of the numerous prizes to be given away each night.

Every evening there will be prizes totalling in value from \$75 to \$100 given away to the spectators. These prizes will be in the form of spot lights, accessories, tires, etc. three free automobile rides being among the awards each evening. In addition to these there will be one major prize—a prize of considerable value—every evening.

The show opens Thursday night at 5 o'clock and will continue (Continued on page 3.)

FLIVVER PLANE FAILS TO REACH GOAL AT MIAMI

Gasoline Exhaustion Puts Pilot Brooks Down 200 Miles Distant.

CLASS RECORD MADE

Covers Over 900 Miles Air Line From Detroit in 13 Hours; Will Make Another Attempt.

TITUSVILLE, Fla., Feb. 22.—Harry Brooks, pilot, and his diminutive flivver plane, without advance warning today had made this city the terminus of a record-breaking flight for small, economical aircraft.

Although his projected route, which led from the Ford airport in Detroit to Miami, was not completed, when Brooks landed his tiny ship here last night at 8 o'clock he had covered more than 900 miles of air line distance in slightly less than thirteen hours.

The previous non-stop record for planes of 40 horsepower or less was 811 miles, set by Max Knipping, French aviator, in a flight from Lebourg Field near Paris to Koenigsberg, Germany, last year.

Titusville Surprised Brooks' descent on Titusville was unexpected and consequently no formal reception was accorded him by the startled population. Before parting, exhausted from his long aerial jaunt, Brooks explained that he had been forced down thus some 200 miles short of his goal because the 52 gallons of gasoline with which he left the Michigan city yesterday morning had been consumed. His only other procedure was to telephone representatives of the Ford company at Miami that his flight had been cut short.

Details of his flight, including his exact route, speed and other data on the jump which bids fair to be epoch-making in the history of airplanes of "popular" size and cost, were postponed until he could assemble the facts his log displayed.

Will Try Again He declared, however, that the most difficult part of his journey was in the high altitudes over mountains encountered. Amidst his expressed disappointment at not reaching Miami, he said: (Continued on page 3.)

MECHANICAL MAN "KNOWS HIS STUFF"

(Associated Press Leased Wire) NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Dr. R. G. Wensley, of the Westinghouse Electric company, envisions the day when the housewife, who far from home sees a storm coming up, can telephone her "televox," or mechanical man, and order the windows closed.

In a private rehearsal in the auditorium of the Level club where "televox" is to unveil a statue of George Washington tonight, the mechanical man turned on a light, pulled a cord unveiling a picture of Washington and ran an electric sweeper, all at a whistled command given over the telephone by Dr. Wensley. The working apparatus, to the layman a mass of electric wires and coils, is concealed in a Bristol-board, life size figure of a man.

Eventually the inventor says the apparatus will not only do what it is told to do but will tell its master, in reproductions of the human voice, that the task is accomplished. In its test it answered by buzz when it had carried out its inventor's whistled commands, but Dr. Wensley believes that installation of a phonograph attachment will be possible later.

HAWLEY BILL DEFERRED

(Associated Press Leased Wire) SALEM, Ore., Feb. 22.—Information was received at the office of Governor Patterson yesterday from Washington that action on Representative Hawley's bill to preclude the state from participation in the railroad land grant tax refund will be deferred until the state can file a brief and be heard by a representative.

Hawley's bill was introduced, it is said, in anticipation that the Oregon supreme court, in a case now pending, would hold that the state is entitled to share in the refund.

IRVIN COBB GIVES AL UNIQUE PLATFORM

(Associated Press Leased Wire) NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Governor Smith has accepted "a nomination for the presidency of the United States on a platform of human fellowship and understanding."

The nomination was tendered the governor by Irvin S. Cobb, at a dinner last night of the Child Welfare Committee of America, Inc., of which the governor was elected honorary president for three years.

The governor accepted the nomination for himself and also for his "running mate," Miss Sophie Warren Loebe, president of the organization. He then in an address outlined the state's welfare program.

WOMAN SWELLS OVERBOARD IS BARELY SAVED

Tossed Into Shark-Infested Waters But Clings to Railgate

THRILLING RESCUE

Men Brave Death in Effort to Save Her—In Serious Condition Following Exposure

(Associated Press Leased Wire) NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—The thrilling rescue of a woman who had been swept by a storm into the shark-infested waters off the rock-bound port of Hamilton, Bermuda, was related today on the return of the liner California from a West Indies cruise.

Mrs. L. J. Rosser, wife of an Atlanta, Ga., judge, was tossed from the deck of the harbor boat while returning to the California after a shore visit Saturday night. A sudden storm swept the water into a swirling fury, with waves eight feet high smashing the sides of the harbor craft and Mrs. Rosser was thrown overboard, carrying with her a small wooden rail gate.

Unable to swim and in imminent danger of sharks, Mrs. Rosser clung to the gate for half an hour until she was picked up by one of two life-boats that narrowly missed destruction on rocks during the hunt in the darkness. Mrs. Rosser, suffering from lung hemorrhages induced by asphyxiation, and shock, was taken ashore to the King Edward Hospital where she is.

Four members of the lifeboat crews were injured in the rescue efforts, and clothing was torn from an unidentified young woman as she tried vainly to leap overboard in a rescue attempt.

Mrs. Rosser was lifted from the sea after two men had braved death in an unsuccessful effort to save her. Richard C. Higgins, cruise director, dived into the bay and reached her side, but a wave parted them as he started to lift her into the waiting hands of those aboard the harbor boat. Captain C. A. McQuinn, master of the Great Lakes steamer, John C. Munson, slid down a cable into the water, but was unable to locate her. Mrs. Rosser clung to the wooden gate until a small boat finally reached her.

PROTEST MADE AGAINST GIVING POWER PERMITS

(Associated Press Leased Wire) SALEM, Ore., Feb. 22.—Protests were filed yesterday by the state engineer, yesterday by the state fish commission against the granting of irrigation and power permits on Oregon fishing streams without first calling hearings.

Streams where both game and commercial fish are propagated are involved. One of the protests is against the applications of the city of Eugene for three power developments on the McKenzie river. Other streams mentioned in the protested applications are the Rogue and Illinois rivers in Curry and Josephine counties, Deschutes river in Sherman and Wasco counties, Marion lake and North Fork of the Santiam in Marion and Linn counties, Leon lake and Mill creek in Douglas county, Hood river, Eagle creek, Wahtum and Lost lakes in Hood River county.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHPLACE IS SHRINE OF MANY

Home State of Virginia Is Visited By Coolidge and Party

RECONSTRUCT HOME

Memorial Association Announces Plans to Rebuild Log Cabin and Old Colonial Mansion

(Associated Press Leased Wire) WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Virginia, which gave George Washington to the nation, recalled her glorious past for President Coolidge today with a celebration at Alexandria of the first president's 126th birthday anniversary.

All of the commonwealth interest was centered in the little city on the Potomac in a demonstration designed as a forerunner of the country-wide observance of Washington's birthday to be celebrated four years hence under government auspices.

The elm shaded streets, along which the first president rode on his way to church, were draped in flags and bunting for the occasion, and military and patriotic units sought places to parade past a reviewing stand for a minute from President Coolidge. Practically all of Virginia's officials set Alexandria as their destination and dozens of those of the federal government closed their desks at Washington to hold a reception in honor of Mr. Coolidge in historic Carlyle house, where the convention which framed the constitution was conceived. With them were practically all members of the state legislature and other state officials.

Ordering out the Mayflower to sail down the Potomac in time to reach Alexandria shortly after luncheon, Mr. Coolidge invited for the trip Senators Swanson and Glass, Representative Moore, in whose district Alexandria lies, and former Representative Carlin, all of Virginia, as well as C. Bascom Sloop, formerly private secretary of the president and a resident of Virginia. Mrs. Coolidge decided to remain in Washington, fearful lest the cold from which she has been suffering would be aggravated by the trip.

The day as laid out for Mr. Coolidge by the George Washington birthday association of Alexandria, included the reception at Carlyle House, followed by a review of a long parade along the street frequented by Washington in the early days of the republic. Mount Vernon, a little below Alexandria on the Potomac, although always a show place, held added interest for visitors today as the first president's home. Others were inspired to take their tribute to Wakefield, Virginia, the fifth place of Washington, coincident with announcement of the Wakefield National Memorial association of plans for the reconstruction of the old colonial mansion on the Potomac.

Under plans approved by the National Fine Arts commission, and the secretary of war, \$500,000 will be spent to rebuild the mansion, restore an ancient log cabin found on the estate, develop the 70 acres of land adjoining the property, and to dredge the river channel to permit boats to make the voyage from Washington.



SHOWERY Yes, no use kidding, that's what it is. The Office Cat has been born row'n' umbrellas all morn'n' and said at noon that it sorta looked as if he'd hafta go home and don his slicker. No ser'ous downfall. Just a few drops of sky-juice and then a little sunshine. Just delightful Spring weather for FEBRUARY SHOWERS BRING MARCH FLOWERS in the Umpqua Valley!

First in the Hearts of His Countrymen



Our Weather Man

INSPECT NATIONAL GUARD LA GRANDE, Ore., Feb. 22.—Company E of La Grande, and the headquarters company of Union of the 12th Infantry, Oregon national guard, were inspected last night by Major D. B. Falk, seventh inspector Vancouver Barracks.

Commenting on the condition of the two units, Major Falk said that both companies were doing very well considering the lack of armory facilities.