

**56th Weather**  
Highest temperature yesterday... 57  
Lowest temperature last night... 51  
Forecast for southwest Oregon:  
Rain tonight and Thursday; continued mild.

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## Today

Only Odds and Ends  
The Busy Bonds  
Our 350,000 Criminals  
Peasants Would Rule

By Arthur Brisbane  
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Not much except odds and ends of news when this was written, late yesterday afternoon. The fatal tracks of the oil bonds led in new directions. The name of an important judge was dragged in. He says no one sent him any bonds.

Senator Borah, the great purifier, got \$300 more yesterday, to help pay back the gold that Mr. Sinclair handed over. The republican party must be purified, says Borah. Theodore Roosevelt II sent \$100 to help purify.

It is doubtful, however, whether all the perfumes of Arabia or two Anna Held milk baths could purify the worried old party.

Being found out is a terrible thing. Everybody knows that both big parties take all the campaign funds they can get. The republicans get the bigger gifts because their chances are usually better, and their memory for kind words and better deeds is better.

It is certain that neither Will Hays nor any of the big republicans knew where the Sinclair bonds came from. The oil scandal had not started when the bonds were contributed.

If Sinclair had offered a bundle of bonds to the democratic donkey to wipe out campaign expense debts, that intelligent animal would have taken them gladly.

However, the elephant got caught, the donkey did not, so the donkey feels virtuous.

Speaking of slush funds, bribes, etc., you should read the book written by Judge Kavanagh of Chicago, after 33 years on the bench. Three hundred and fifty thousand individuals make their living, partly or entirely, by crime in our happy country, he says. Last year they contributed 12,000 murders to the nation's news items.

Public indifference is to blame, says the judge. Every country gets as much crime as its indifference deserves. Judge Kavanagh favors use of the whip, because "no crime leader retains the respect of his gang after he has wined under the lash." The moron and racketeer feel the cat-o-nine-tails more than prison. Our 350,000 criminals steal yearly enough to build the Panama canal.

They steal more than that. And public gambling at race tracks, another form of crime, legalized by grafting politicians, takes from the public each year enough to build the Panama canal three times.

More trouble in distressed Rumania. The peasants want to rule and the Socialists back them. Here we have no peasant population, although not all of us know it. Once, the late George T. Gould, on a tour of inspection over the Missouri Pacific, took his family with him. The mayor, chamber of commerce and civic organizations of a small city came to the private car, asking for a better railroad station.

One of Gould's charming young daughters, in white dress, blue sash and white kid shoes, said: "It's very nice of those peasants to come down and see papa, isn't it?"

We have some millions of farmers that would like to run this country, partly, but they don't know how to go about it. No real organization, for one thing. Next fall they will get wonderful promises and then think it over four years more.

The socialists' executive (Continued from page 4.)

## ENGINEER OF DAM WEEPS AS HE TESTIFIES

### William Mulholland Says Structure Was Leaking "Very Badly."

#### ENVIES THE DEAD

"We Certainly Must Have Overlooked Something," He Says During Coroner's Inquest.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
LOS ANGELES, Mar. 21.—William Mulholland, who testified today at the coroner's inquest over St. Francis dam victims, and who was engineer in charge of construction of the dam, said that leak conditions 11 hours before its collapse were "bad, very bad."

Mulholland, veteran chief engineer of the Los Angeles bureau of water and power, with tears coursing down his cheeks, moaned, "The only ones I envy are those who are dead. We certainly must have overlooked something."

After telling Coroner Frank Nance that he and his assistant, H. A. Van Norman had seen the dam 11 hours before the break March 13, in which 273 lives were lost and it was reported missing, examination of Mulholland continued.

Q.—Did the St. Francis dam leak before?

A.—Of all the dams I have ever seen in every section of the country, it was the driest.

Q.—How did you happen to visit the dam on Monday, the day before the flood?

A.—I went there because Tony Harshelger, the keeper who was drowned, notified me that the water was muddy and there was a new leak.

Q.—What does it indicate when the water is muddy?

A.—That is bad, very bad. When it is muddy it indicates a leak thru the earth, which is always a serious matter.

Q.—Did it occur to you Monday that there was danger?

A.—No, never, never did such a thing occur to me.

The aged engineer, 72 years he is, dropped his head a moment and then raised it, looking at the jurors as he said:

"I surely would like to be able to say why it went out."

### REDWOOD EMPIRE CARAVAN COMING

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 21.—The board of supervisors of San Francisco today announced appointment of five of its members to represent the city and county in the Redwood Empire caravan through California, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia.

The caravan will start from here April 25. Supervisor Milo F. Kent selected the committee and may go himself. It is expected 100 automobiles will make up the caravan which will be a good will tour.

### TWO ZULU TRIBES ENGAGE IN FIGHT

LONDON, Mar. 21.—The Daily Express today printed dispatches from Johannesburg, South Africa, saying that two rival Zulu camps had joined in battle.

The tribes, the Moutas and the Mtenbas, staged a pitched battle about five miles from Weenan, Natal. Native women and children fled from the scene.

Mounted police were sent from Pietermaritzburg to intervene.

### DORIS McDONALD WILL NOT HANG

OTTAWA, Ont., Mar. 21.—Mrs. Doris McDonald, young New York girl, sentenced to hang on Friday, with her husband, for the murder of a Lachine taxi driver, had her sentence commuted to life imprisonment today. Preparations were continued for the hanging of the husband, George McDonald.

At 12:35 p. m. the governor-general approved orders in council granting the commutation in the case of Mrs. McDonald and affirming the death sentence passed on her husband. The orders were received at the state department at 12:40 for forwarding to the sheriff.

## FUNERAL OF ROY WILSON TO BE HELD SUNDAY AT 2 P. M.

The funeral of Roy Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Wilson of Reston, who died while in the marine service in China, will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Elks Temple, according to arrangements made today. The young man will be given a full military funeral, a detail of marines having been ordered to Roseburg to participate in the last rites. Rev. Frank Matthews of the local Baptist church will officiate and interment will take place at the Looking Glass cemetery.

### ELEVEN WORKERS KILLED BY CRANE

MUECKENBERG, Saxony, Mar. 21.—Eleven workers were killed and seven seriously injured today in the collapse of an elevator crane under construction at the Brown coal works. The crane collapsed during a storm.

### SMITH DENIES HE WAS AIDED BY OIL MONEY

WASHINGTON, Mar. 21.—William W. Marsh, treasurer of the democratic national committee from 1916 to January, 1924, reiterated today before the senate Teapot Dome committee that he had not entered into any agreement with the late Fred W. Upham, treasurer of the republican national committee, under which the two parties made no report of contributions in 1923.

"There never was any such agreement," he said, in reply to questions by Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana; "there never was any conversation relating to it in any way."

Marsh's statement was in reply to testimony given before the committee at Chicago by Irl G. Hipsley, and A. V. Leonard, that Upham had told them Marsh had suggested that no reports be filed with congress because the democrats had received some contributions they wanted to cover up.

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"Did you ever visit Mr. Upham?" asked Senator Walsh.

"Our relations were very cordial and frank," Marsh replied. "I never was in his office in my life. I have no recollection of ever talking with him on the phone. I would meet him in hotel lobbies but our conversations were casual."

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"Who solicited Mr. Doheny?" Nye asked.

"I don't know, but I never solicited Mr. Doheny in my life," Mr. Marsh replied.

Nye inquired "if H. M. Blackmer, missing witness in the Sinclair trial, had contributed to the democratic fund in 1920 or 1922?"

"I can say that if he did, it is a matter of record," Marsh replied.

"Was Harry E. Sinclair a contributor to the democratic party in 1920?" Nye inquired.

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## COVER-UP PACT BETWEEN PARTY HEADS DENIED

### Ex-Democratic Treasurer Says No Agreement to Conceal Funds.

#### RECORDS ARE INTACT

Donations From Doheny to Liquidate Deficits in 2 Campaign Funds Are Recited.

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## PRINCE OF WALES TAKES A TUMBLE

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
RISELY, England, Mar. 21.—The Prince of Wales fell today during the Oakley hunt point-to-point races. He was not hurt.

The prince was competing in the brigade of guards inter-regimental challenge cup race when he fell. After jumping the seventh fence, the prince tried to clear a brook, but was unseated.

### GENERAL MOTORS AND RADIO STOCK SOARING SKYWARD

NEW YORK, Mar. 21.—Radio and General Motors, soaring to record high levels at \$182 3/8 and \$175 a share, respectively, led another violent upturn in prices on the New York stock exchange today. Early gains in the general list ran from 1 1/2 to nearly 3 1/2 shares, with several blocks of 3,000 to 10,000 shares changing hands as powerful speculative pools resumed their offensive against a trapped short interest.

## LEGION POST TO HOLD BOXING CARD FRIDAY

Umpqua Post of the American Legion held a very enthusiastic meeting last night, there being a fine attendance of the members. The greater part of the evening was spent in considering the airport election campaign and the big smoker to be held on Friday night. The American Legion smoker Friday promises to be an exceptionally enjoyable program for the veterans, starting with a banquet at 6:30 o'clock and followed by the fight card. Every World War veteran, whether or not he is a member of the American Legion, is urgently invited to be present, as the meeting is for the purpose of bringing about a closer acquaintance among the ex-service men of the county. The feed is to be entirely free to every veteran, and all ex-service men will also be admitted free of charge to the boxing program that will follow. The feed and smoker will both be held in the main auditorium of the armory.

### Fast Card Assured

The boxing card offers some real battles, judging from the ability of each of the boys secured by promoter Ward, who is aiding the local post in this entertainment.

The eight-round main event between Scott Holley of Tijuana and Joe Jewett of Portland promises to be a fight that will give fans a real thrill. Holley and Jewett had a hard contest before. Holley beat Jewett in five out of eight rounds, but in the last two rounds Jewett had the colored boy badly worried.

Holley is a flashy boxer with a terrific wallop while Jewett is a body puncher who can take all kinds of punishment and still keep burning in. The two fighters are well matched in every respect and will undoubtedly put up a real battle. Jewett is reported to have been training hard and is in top form. Holley has been working out regularly at Portland. He has been mentioned as a possible opponent for George Dixon the popular Portland colored boy.

### PROJECT NOT COSTLY

Wednesday, March 28, the voters of Roseburg will go to the polls in a special city election to consider the issuance of \$25,000 in bonds for the purchase and improvement of an airport for Roseburg.

There appears to be little opposition to the project, but yet there are to be heard some people arguing against the proposition, some of whom have in the past been always and forever arrayed against anything that might appear to be for the benefit, development and advancement of the city. There are others who from a misunderstanding of facts are sincerely opposed to the project, who if they were not misled or had a complete and full understanding of the proposition would undoubtedly be of a different mind.

One of the chief arguments heard, and one that has the least foundation, is that the project is too expensive and that the cost of the land is too high.

Many people seem to have the idea that it is planned to spend the entire \$25,000 for the property. This is not the case. Umpqua Post of the American Legion that has sponsored this project has secured an option on 140 acres to be used for the airport. This field can be purchased for \$100 per acre, or a total of \$14,000. The remainder, \$11,000, is to be used to improve and equip the field to bring it up to a point where it will be ready for use as a first class airport.

Those who are familiar with land values know that the price for which this property can be secured is extremely low. The land is assessed on the county records at \$60 per acre and,

## Lindy Gets Medal of Honor



For the bravery he displayed in his transatlantic flight, Col. Charles A. Lindbergh received from President Coolidge today the Congressional Medal of Honor. The award is the highest the nation can bestow.

### MISSING BANKER MAY BE SUICIDE

MEDFORD, Ore., Mar. 21.—Search for George W. Barker, missing Butte Falls banker, who vanished Monday afternoon while under questioning by state fire marshals and bank examiners, centered today in the vicinity of a mountain ranch, where a shot was reported heard three hours after the bank official had vanished. The shot was heard by John Swanson, a rancher. The posse that combed the mountains Monday found Barker's car but no other clues.

Examinations of the books of the bank are under way.

Two theories are advanced by officers working on the case—one that Barker committed suicide; another that he fled the country in another automobile.

MEDFORD, Ore., Mar. 21.—Mystery still shrouds the fate or whereabouts of George W. Barker, president and cashier of the Pine Belt Bank of Butte Falls, who disappeared Monday afternoon while his banking institution was under examination by the state banking examiner, and he faced questioning by members of the state insurance commission and state fire marshal's office relative to the destruction by fire of a warehouse last August at Central Point, in which the missing man had insured restaurant fixtures.

## AN AIRPORT

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## MEDAL OF HONOR IS AWARDED TO COL. LINDBERGH

Pres. Coolidge Places Ribbon about Shoulders of Eagle.

NOTABLES PRESENT

Presentation Takes Place on Lawn Outside Private Office of President Coolidge.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 21.—President Coolidge today placed personally about the shoulders of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh the blue ribbon of the Congressional Medal of Honor, rarest of American tributes to courage and initiative.

Surrounded by the highest public officials in the executive department and by republican and democratic congressional leaders, President Coolidge conferred the decoration for "heroic courage and great skill" in the Lindbergh flight from New York to Paris.

"I offer you my heartfelt congratulations," the president said after conferring the medal.

He added that in his flight Lindbergh had "not only achieved the greatest personal triumph of any American citizen, but had shown that trans-Atlantic flight was possible."

Among the notables gathered at the White House to witness the ceremony were Vice-President Dawes and Speaker Longworth, Senators Curtis of Kansas and Robinson of Arkansas, majority and minority leaders, respectively, in the senate; Representative Tilson of Connecticut and Garrett of Tennessee, majority and minority leaders in the house, Secretaries Wilbur and Hoover, Postmaster General New, Assistant Secretary Warner in charge of naval aeronautics, Rear Admiral Moffett, chief of the bureau of naval aeronautics, Major General Charles P. Summerall, chief of the staff, Secretary Davis, Assistant Secretary McCracken of the commerce department, and others.

The presentation took place on the lawn outside the president's private office. Mrs. Coolidge witnessed it from a window of the White House.

BY WILLIAM F. BROOKS  
(Associated Press Feature Editor)  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 21.—Col. Charles Lindbergh once more emerged from private pursuits at his nation's call—this time to receive the symbol of his homage.

On March 21—at noon today—President Coolidge presented the young Argonaut with the congressional medal of honor, the highest award of the United States, voted to him by congress last December.

The presentation took place in the presence of high army, navy and marine officers, government officials, and Mrs. Evangeline L. Lindbergh, the pilot's mother.

The ceremony did not take more than a few minutes. Mr. Coolidge said a few words in his private office in the presence of the company, posed outside in the garden for the photographers, and then permitted the aviator to return to his much sought seclusion.

Perhaps a few in the company recalled that it was just ten months ago that the courageous youth hopped off alone from Roosevelt Field, N. Y., on the un-

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### Our Weather Man

Overcast skies made things rather gloomy around the den of the Office Cat today for he had maintained in spite of his published prediction that the sun would blast forth today and warm things up.

Instead it rained!

But gosh—We gotta have some rain—Not that we have any shortage to speak of.

So the Cat simply snarled at us and said:

"Yeah—it's gonna rain—AND IT DID!"