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Highest temperature yesterday 56  
Lowest temperature last night 46  
Forecast for southwest Oregon:  
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change in temperature.

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# WILKINS FLIES OVER THE NORTH POLE

## Today

The Answer Is "Vodka"  
The Booming South  
Von Huenefeld's Story  
A. P. Sloan Cheerful

—By Arthur Brisbane—  
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The three fliers, two German and one Irish, will stick together and fly on to New York together. Fitzmaurice had no idea of accepting a welcome ahead of the others.

Baron Van Huenefeld, who financed the Bremen trip, says that part of the time, flying through fog, he wrote poetry, and part of the time wondered what was going to happen.

Von Huenefeld has been nominated for the German parliament and national pride will probably elect him in spite of his friendly attitude toward the ex-kaiser.

Worthy of our polite attention is Mr. Toichiro Araki from Tokyo. He jumped out of an airplane on Long Island at 12 minutes to 5 yesterday morning, on his way in a race around the world, for the Japanese newspaper, Jiji Shimpo.

Mr. Araki, by airplane, automobile, fast trains and boats, expects to go around the world in 34 days. When Jules Verne suggested a trip in 80 days, that was thought preposterous.

Adolph S. Ochs, owner of the New York Times, celebrates his 50th year as a newspaper publisher. That publishing career began in Chattanooga 50 years ago as agreed with Mr. Ochs. Friends that recently saw him climbing hills on the Pacific coast observed no change in him in the past 20 years. May he continue publishing 50 years more.

The Lutheran church received 5000 suggestions in a national contest for an advertising slogan suited to the teachings of that church. The judges adopted this: "A changeless Christ for a changing world."

Fortunately the changing world changes its ideas of Christ and His teachings. It no longer burns witches in His name or tortures those that choose to think as they please religiously.

When Protestants in Switzerland burned Dr. Servetus alive on a slow fire, mocking his appeals for a speedier death, they thought they were pleasing Christ. They were mistaken.

Senator Simmons of North Carolina opposes the nomination of Governor Smith, and the first democratic fight of the 1928 campaign is under way, with the odds in Governor Smith's favor. He is playing golf, not noticing the fight.

King George won his first race of the season yesterday, the Brandon handicap. The king's horse, Scuttle, by Captain Cuttle, out of Stained Glass, carried a good deal of loyal British money bet upon him.

If Heeney beats Tunney in the coming fight, Dempsey will return and fight Heeney. If Dempsey wins, perhaps Jeffries and Willard will return to fight him.

But Heeney probably won't beat Tunney. Even in prize fighting, thinking counts. Tunney is the better thinker, besides Tunney's defeat would be unprofitable for the prize fight "insiders."

Charley Birger, Illinois gang leader and killer, hanged yesterday, told Rabbi Mazur he

## FAMILY OF 7

### PERISH WHEN HOME BURNS

Kansas Couple And 5 Children Victims

Son of 17, Who Had Driven Away to Picture Show, Only Survivor.

JURY BEGINS PROBE

Origin of Blaze Mystifies Authorities; May Have Been Started From Kerosene Lamp.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
EL DORADO, Kansas, April 21.—Seven members of the William F. Overst family were burned to death at their farm home 20 miles northwest of El Dorado last night.

The blaze of unknown origin, occurred about 8 o'clock but the bodies were not discovered until midnight, as neighbors who were attracted to the fire at first believed the family had left home for the evening.

Owen Overst, 17, was the only member of the family who escaped death. He had driven the family car to Florence to attend a motion picture show.

William F. Overst, 45, Elsie Overst, 41, his wife, five of their children: Dorothy, 16; Ralph, 14; Hugh, 10; Edith, 8, and Herbert, 6.

Official Quiz Begun  
The house, a two-story frame (Continued on page 8.)

## SINNOTT SENDS NO WORD ABOUT QUITTING RACE

SALEM, Ore., April 21.—Up to noon today Secretary of State Kizer had received no message from Representative Sinnott with instructions that his name be withdrawn from the republican primary ballot as a candidate for re-nomination. Unless such a request is received before the end of the day Sinnott's name will be certified to the county clerks of the second congressional districts as a candidate. In the meantime the type forms of the certification are being held at the state printer's office awaiting instructions from the congressman.

Delay by Sinnott beyond today does not mean that he will be unable to withdraw as a candidate, and obviously it is his intention to withdraw. He may withdraw any time up to the date of election, but after today it will be necessary for the secretary of state to send special instructions to the county clerks, and may cause confusion in the printing of the ballots.

Neither has the state any official information whether Sinnott intends to resign before the expiration of his term as congressman. Should he resign it would be necessary for the governor to call a special election for the selection of his successor, or allow the district to be without representation until March 4 next.

Attorney General Van Winkle, who is now in Washington, yesterday telegraphed his assistant, Willis S. Moore, that Sinnott had shown him Secretary Kizer's telegram urging Sinnott to hasten action. Sinnott, according to Van Winkle, said he was going to telegraph his "I" will at once.

Out for Sinnott's Job  
PENDELTON, April 21.—Judge Norborne Berkeley of Pendleton today entered the race for the democratic nomination for congressman from the eastern Oregon district, making the announcement to this effect today. He asks his name be written in on the ballot May 13.

Judge Berkeley says he favors Walsh for president and upholds federal development of power on the Columbia river.

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## QUAKES STILL ADD TO MISERY OF BULGARIANS

125,000 Homeless Families Bear Destitution and Cold in Terror.

NEARLY 300 PERISH

Rose Attar Industry Hurt Badly—Superstitious Blame Good Friday Desecration.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
SOFIA, Bulgaria, April 21.—More than 125,000 homeless families in southwestern Bulgaria today endured misery, cold and deprivation in terror as intermittent earthquakes continued to rock the already devastated region.

The government and volunteer agencies devoted every effort to tending the more than 850 persons injured in the region around Philippopolis. The utmost was being done to supply refugees with food. The death toll was seriously estimated at between 150 and 300 persons.

Bulgaria faced a tremendous problem in relief and reconstruction. The valley of roses near Philippopolis was turned into a sandy waste when waters burst through the ground or poured down from the hills. The buds of the roses, which are one of the chief crops of the region, and furnish 90 per cent of the European supply of attar of roses, was almost ready to open when the quake brought disaster. Thousands of rose bushes were obliterated in the valley which is one of the beauty spots of Europe.

City Mass of Ruins  
Three-fourths of Philippopolis (Continued on page 8.)

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## Felix H. Robertson, Last of the Commanders of the Confederate Forces, Passes On at Age of 88

moment of his close.

The first cannon ball scarcely was cold in the ramparts of Fort Sumpter when young Robertson was on his way to Richmond, Virginia, the Confederate capital. He had just resigned from his class at West Point, two months before graduation date. It was April, 1861. Arriving at Richmond, he was appointed a lieutenant of artillery by President Jefferson Davis, his personal friend.

Promotion Rapid  
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Under Johnston, Bragg and Hood, the young officer rose to brigadier-general in Wheeler's cavalry.

A few months before the end of the war, at Buckhead Church, Ga., he was wounded in the left arm, and a short time later surrendered to General Kilpatrick, at Macon, Ga. A major-general's commission was on its way to him at the time, but it was captured by Federal troops.

When the war was over, General Robertson disbanded his command and rode for two days to find the headquarters of General Kilpatrick, the nearest Union commander.

Born March 9, 1840, at old Washington on the Brazos, first capital of Texas, he came from a family of patriots. His father, Jerome Bonaparte Robertson, also was a general in the Civil War.

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## TRIUMPH TOLD IN WORD FROM SPITZBERGEN

Trip From Pt. Barrow, Alaska, Made in 20 And Half Hours Of Flying

Non-Stop Journey Broken by Five Days' Stop on Island Because of Bad Weather.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
DETROIT, April 21.—Captain George H. Wilkins announced his arrival at Spitzbergen from Point Barrow, Alaska, in a radio message today to the Detroit News.

"Reached Spitzbergen a little over twenty and one-half hours of flying; one stop five days account bad weather. Getting in aviation society and flying club," the message received this morning said.

It was dated Svalbard 12:31 p. m., April 21, and was signed "Wilkins, Eielson." Eielson is the Alaskan flier who has accompanied Wilkins on his previous Arctic expeditions and went with him to Point Barrow, Alaska, early this year on his latest effort to find a lost continent and attempt a flight across the "top of the world" to Spitzbergen.

Two Efforts Fail  
Success came to Wilkins on his third expedition. Two previous attempts at aerial exploration of the "blind spot" lying north of Point Barrow were unsuccessful. In the second attempt, made the following year, Captain Wilkins flew out into the Arctic spaces and was forced down. Several days later he returned to Point Barrow, recovering his conviction that a plane could be flown across the "top of the world" to Spitzbergen and his determination to try again.

Press Confirmation  
LONDON, April 21.—An exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen says that the newspaper Politiken has received a message from Svalbard stating that Captain George H. Wilkins, Arctic flier, landed near the Svalbard radio station at eleven o'clock this morning.

A previous message to Politiken, also from the Svalbard radio station, stated that Captain Wilkins flew from Point Barrow and landed near Doedmannsoera where bad weather stopped him for five days.

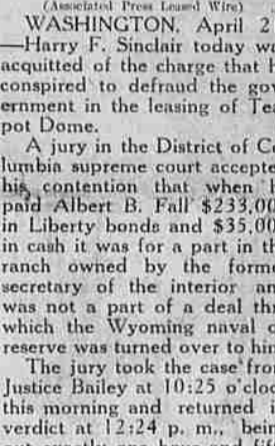
Doedmannsoera is an uninhabited island on the north side of Isjford, about 25 miles from Svalbard. The crew of the plane was reported in excellent condition.

The arrival of Captain Wilkins near Svalbard, from Point Barrow, Alaska, represents the successful completion of Captain Wilkins' plan to fly across the Polar regions and presumably across the North Pole.

The Wilkins plane carried a radio, but despite a constant watch by radio stations, complete silence enveloped the activities of the expedition from the time that the (Continued on page 8.)



Frieda Hempel  
(Associated Press Leased Wire)



Capt. George H. Wilkins

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FELIX H. ROBERTSON  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
WACO, Texas, April 21.—The youngest general of the Civil War in either the Southern or Northern armies, General Felix Huston Robertson, whose death occurred here yesterday, outlived all his contemporaries of equal rank. After the death of General McCasland, of West Virginia, late in 1925, he was the sole surviving general of the Southern army.

If the youngest ranking commander, he also was one of the South's greatest fighters, for he was in battle almost from the first shot of the great conflict to the

## Our Weather Man



THE SUN'S SHINING—  
The Office Cat told ya so—  
So thass that!  
No use kiddin', when it comes to the tricks of the climate, our friendly feline knows his barometer.

And for tomorrow, it bein' Sunday, the Cat mutters—  
MORE SUNSHINE!  
That's good news for the golfin' fraternity who can't blame their slices onto Juke Plutiny.

Next week will be a BALMY one, says the Cat and we have reason to believe him.

We shoulda known the rain would end—  
We bought a slicker yesterday!

Sunny

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