

### The Weather

Highest temperature yesterday, 41  
Lowest temperature last night, 23  
Forecast for interior southwest  
Oregon: Rain or snow tonight and  
Saturday; no change in tempera-  
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## COOLIDGE SIGNS MEASURE FOR COLORADO DAM

### Fight for Boulder Canyon Project Ends So Far as Govt. Is Concerned.

### CARRIES 165 MILLION

### Utah or Arizona Still to Ratify—Tribal Laws of Indians Hit by Proposed Bill.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—President Coolidge today signed the Boulder dam bill making effective the act providing for a reclamation, flood control and power project on the Colorado river.

The president affixed his signature before a gathering of proponents of the Boulder project who were brought to the executive office by Senator Johnson and Representative Spring, California Republicans, who for years had led the fight for enactment of the bill.

The measure provides that the government shall supply the \$165,000,000 estimated as necessary to construct a dam and accompanying works in Black canyon. The money is to be repaid under an amortization plan from proceeds of the sale of power.

The signature of the president was the last official act required in providing federal authority for the construction, but either Utah or Arizona of the seven Colorado river basin states must ratify the Colorado river compact for distribution of water before the act can become effective.

### To Abolish Indian Laws

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The white man's laws, both civil and criminal, would be extended to all the red men under a bill introduced by Representative Crompton, republican, Michigan.

The measure would apply particularly to restricted Indians on federal reservations and would abolish the tribal courts. Judges on reservations court benches, however, would be selected by the restricted Indians over whom they shall preside and the state laws would be applicable where the offense is not a violation of a federal statute.

One of the provisions of the act, which would interfere with customs of some Indians in the southwest, where a squaw divorces her husband merely by placing his belongings outside the door, is that which would make it compulsory for the Indians to comply with the marriage and divorce laws of the state in which they reside. Superintendents of Indian reservations would be authorized to issue marriage licenses.

### Garner is Answered

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The charge made by Representative Garner, democrat, Texas, in the house, that Secretary Mellon had misrepresented the condition of (Continued on page 4.)

## FRAUDULENT STOCK SALES SEND PAIR TO PENITENTIARY

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—George Graham Rice, who made millions by out-smarting the race track and stock market suckers, had it impressed upon him for the fourth time today that he could not out-smart the forces of the law.

Convicted of using the mails to defraud investors in Idaho copper stock, whose value he had boosted by the agency of his pseudo financial sheet, the Wall Street financier, he was sentenced to four years in Atlanta penitentiary and fined \$5,000.

Walter C. Yorston of Boise, Idaho, president of the Idaho Copper Corporation, who was convicted with Rice, was sentenced to nine months in Westchester county penitentiary. The Wall Street iconoclast was fined \$10,000 and sentence of Idaho Copper Corporation was suspended for five years. Dr. Walter Harvey Wood, zoologist, was acquitted by the jury that convicted Rice and Yorston.



### Days to Christmas

## DECLARES WORLD WILL ESTABLISH 13-MONTH YEAR



WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Revision of the calendar to provide 13 months of 28 days each was favored by George Eastman, chairman of the national committee on calendar simplification, at the opening of hearings yesterday on the Porter resolution before the house foreign affairs committee.

The resolution would authorize the president to call an international conference on calendar simplification during 1929 with a view to putting the 13-month calendar in effect in 1931.

Mr. Eastman declared the world was fast realizing that the present calendar is impractical and that it was "only a question of time until all nations meet in conference to agree upon a change."

## AITCHISON COMES CLEAR IN HEARING BEFORE SENATORS

### Oregon Member Interstate Commerce Commission Receives O. K. for Another Term.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Objections to the confirmation of Clyde H. Aitchison of Oregon as a member of the interstate commerce commission here withdrawn today and his appointment was expected to be approved by the senate interstate commerce committee.

Senator Wheeler, democrat, Montana, who was instrumental in delaying a vote in the committee on Aitchison's nomination, announced after a meeting of the committee today that his complaints had been satisfactorily answered by the commissioner's testimony.

The senator had felt that Aitchison had held up valuation of telephone companies for an unreasonable time. Aitchison asserted that the budget bureau's efforts to carry out President Coolidge's economy program were largely responsible for the delay.

### Coolidge Obeyed

Aitchison testified that in keeping with the president's economy program the commission had been advised to do no work which was not absolutely necessary and to go ahead with no new work without the consent of the budget bureau. He declared he wrote a letter to the budget bureau detailing that the proposed cut for the 1924-25 appropriation would not permit the commission to go ahead with its valuation of telephone companies, express lines, electric railroads, and so forth, authorized by congress about 15 years ago. Notwithstanding this letter, he said, the appropriation was cut 20 per cent that year.

## DARES ANOTHER TO SHOOT HIM AND PAYS WITH LIFE

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
RED BLUFF, Cal., Dec. 21.—A dare passed between two men who were drinking in a cabin near Los Molinos was taken and as a result K. H. Regan shot and killed Angelo Parrulla, witness, told Sheriff Floyd Hull here today.

Buck Richardson and Bud Byrd, who were in the cabin last night, said that Parrulla dared Regan to shoot him and that the latter accepted the taunt.

Regan left a widow and two children living at Los Molinos.

Here From University—  
Miss Maxine Moore, formerly of this city, has arrived here from Eugene, where she is a student at the University of Oregon, for a brief visit with relatives and friends.

## FIGURES SHOW G. O. P. VICTORY LAST NOVEMBER

### Hoover's Plurality Below Coolidge's But Three More States Taken.

### BEAT SMITH 6,423,612

### Democratic Loser Received Over Six Million More Votes Than Davis Did in 1924.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Herbert Hoover's plurality over Governor Smith in the November election was 6,423,612.

Figures gathered by the Associated Press from the election officials of the 48 states show these totals:

Hoover, 21,429,169.  
Smith, 15,005,497.  
The total vote cast, the largest in the history of the United States, was 36,785,669.

The votes not accounted for in the Hoover and Smith columns went to minor parties.

Norman Thomas, the socialist candidate, received the majority of these votes, polling 267,835. Foster, workers' party candidate, got 48,228 and Reynolds, socialist-labor, 21,181. Varney, prohibitionist candidate, got almost as many as Reynolds, 20,101, and Webb, farmer-labor, 6,291.

### Comparisons

Mr. Hoover's plurality did not reach the figures registered for President Coolidge in 1924, although the former secretary of commerce polled a much larger vote. In that year Mr. Coolidge received 15,725,016 votes, giving him a lead of 2,238,513 over John W. Davis, democratic nominee. The LaFollette-Wheeler independent ticket, however, had 4,822,856 votes.

### Two Exceptions

Mr. Hoover's vote was higher in (Continued on page 6.)

## \$15,000 SAVED TO BANK WHEN LADY SCREAMS

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
NOTASULGA, Ala., Dec. 21.—A woman walked into the First National bank of Notasulga yesterday and upon glancing up saw a number of people lined against the wall with their hands extended upward, and another group of three men pointing pistols at them. She screamed.

A. B. Hope, president, who with Carl Hayes, cashier, emerged from captivity, in the vault a few moments later, aided by officers, quickly congratulated the woman. She had saved \$15,000 in currency in the teller's cage which was within grasp of the trio until they fled, fearing the woman's screams would summon police.

## GLENDALE MAN, GORED BY BULL, SAVED BY DOG

L. D. Parks, a well known resident of the Glendale district, was painfully injured Wednesday night when he was gored by a bull. Mr. Parks has attracted much attention in the past by driving a bull and a horse as a team, doing his hauling in a wagon drawn by those two animals. He was putting the bull in the corral Wednesday night when the animal became angered and attacked the owner. One of the sharp horns struck the fleshy part of the thigh and ripped a gash about eight inches long, uncovering the base of the backbone. Mr. Parks, who is over 70 years of age, fainted from the pain, but his dog saved his life by driving back the infuriated bull.

Mr. Parks went to the house, after recovering consciousness, and stopped the flow of blood by use of a bandage improvised from a table cloth. Weakened by pain and the loss of blood, he staggered against the table and upset a lamp, and had to fight off a fire, his hurried actions also resulting in upsetting a pan of boiling water, barely escaping a severe scalding.

He came to Roseburg where Dr. Payne was called to attend him, the county physician in turn taking the man to Dr. Wade who treated up the gash. He is now being cared for at the county hospital.

## JARDINE PUTS O. K. ON McNARY FARM AID BILL

### Secretary Convinced Plan Proper One to Improve Agriculture.

### QUICK ACTION URGED

### Senator Proposes to Push Legislation at Present Session to Benefit Crops of 1929.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Endorsing the new McNary farm marketing bill, Secretary Jardine today wrote a letter to Senator McNary, republican, Oregon, urging its enactment at this session in order to make it applicable to the 1929 crop.

Senator McNary, who is chairman of the agricultural committee, announced immediately upon receipt of the letter that he would press his bill for a vote at this session. He said he would seek to assemble the agriculture committee during the Christmas recess or immediately thereafter.

"If we are going to make the proposed farm relief applicable to the 1929 crop," Senator McNary declared, "we must get this bill through at the short session."

Senator Watson of Indiana, the prospective republican leader of the senate, succeeding vice president-elect Curtis, already has initiated steps looking to such action and attempts are now being made to learn the views of Herbert Hoover.

### Would Await Hoover

There are some senators who say they would prefer to leave the agricultural problem to the Hoover administration. There have been reports from farm organizations that they also would favor that course but it is believed by administration leaders that the president in naming the proposed farm board would take into consideration the wishes of Mr. Hoover.

The McNary bill would provide for the establishment of a farm marketing board with power to grant licenses to stabilization corporations and to loan money from (Continued on page 4.)

## Theodore Roberts Discarded By Kin Will Reveals Him Exile From Home Estate Left to Like Sufferer-Nephew

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 20.—In death Theodore Roberts, "grand old man" of the stage and motion pictures, has lifted the curtain on a tragedy of his life.

His will, made public here today, reveals that he left his estate, valued at "more than \$10,000," to his nephew, Edward Roberts Higgins of New York City, with the explanation that he had "suffered like him that exile from home."

"In my experience I remember neither affection nor sympathy from any member of my family until such accomplishment had been achieved by me that affection became a part of pride in relationship," Mr. Roberts said in the will, which was made here Sept. 11, 1926.

"During the darkest hour of my life no word of sympathy or offer of help from any member of my family came to me, and I hungered for it as the wanderer in the desert thirsts for water. The wife that kept me silent as a neglected and unwanted child stayed with me through life, through many vicissitudes, and kept me silent even in a prison cell.

"Now that I am beyond the influence of all earthly things, I want these words said, if they leave any unpleasant atmosphere over my memory, so be it."

## COLD KILLS THREE IN CHICAGO; WAVE HITS MIDDLEWEST

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Winter came to the middle-west today just as the almanac said it would.

Three deaths in Chicago were attributed to the cold and police reported caring for 250 other men and women forced into the various stations for shelter. Three degrees above zero was the lowest temperature recorded in Chicago.

As the sun scooted to its winter solstice to give the United States shortest day of the year and herald the official beginning of winter, cold weather swept into the middle-west from Canada.

Winter officially begins at 5:04 p. m. tonight, but for the Dakotas, Wisconsin, Minnesota and parts of Canada it already has become established.

Devil's Lake, N. Dak., had a minimum of 18 below yesterday and at Bismarck, N. Dak., the mercury fell to six below. St. Paul experienced a low temperature of four below while Duluth and Moorhead, Minn., each recorded readings of eight below. Zero weather gripped La Crosse, Wis., and The Dalles, Minn., shivered in 59 below weather.

More snow was accompanied by a slight temperature rise over most of the Rocky mountain section.

## AIR MAIL PLANE CRASHES AT HOME OF UNDERTAKER

### Pilot L. J. McGinn Killed After Futile Attempt to Locate Beacon of Ohio City.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
HURON, O., Dec. 21.—The air mail plane, another pilot last night when the plane of Leo J. McGinn, crashed in a 50-mile gale during a heavy snowstorm, plunged into an apple tree near here. McGinn was thrown from the cockpit and the plane burned.

McGinn, who lived in Marywood, Ill., was carrying the night air mail from Cleveland to Chicago for the National Air Transport company. Most of the mail was saved although it was badly damaged by fire or soaked with water or gasoline.

McGinn circled the town three times, apparently trying to locate the air mail beacon. A moment before the fatal crash he tossed a landing flare from the plane. Then it crashed into the tree and into a barn owned by Wright M. Stiel, Huron undertaker. Five minutes later the snow stopped entirely and the sky became clear.

The pilot's body was found about a hundred feet from the wreckage. His parachute was intact. This and the fact that the motor of the plane was not shut off led to the belief that McGinn was not expecting the crash.

## DICKERSON IS DEAD OF LUNG STAB

### Wound On Top of Flu Attack Too Much.

### Lanza Bryant, Knife User at Corvallis, to Face Murder Charge.

### TAKEN TO PORTLAND

### Slayer Declares Fight Due to "Misunderstanding" Over "Date" With Waiter Girl.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
CORVALLIS, Ore., Dec. 21.—Lewis (Hip) Dickerson, assistant Oregon State college athletic coach, died at 4 o'clock this morning, said to have been inflicted last Tuesday by Lanza Bryant, a Corvallis youth, in an altercation over a waitress.

Bryant, who was being held on an open charge, was removed to Portland by Corvallis authorities, when sentiment became strong against him.

Dickerson met Miss Mae Troxall when she quit work at the Benton hotel coffee shop Monday night and they encountered Bryant on the street. A rough and tumble fight occurred, according to reports received by local officers, and in the melee Dickerson received a five-inch stab wound in the back, the blade of the knife penetrating one of his lungs.

### Flu is Handicap

Dickerson was just recovering from influenza, and congestion of the lungs set in. He was a powerful athlete, more than six feet tall, and made a hard fight for life. His physicians said he would have recovered had not complications resulting from influenza developed.

Dickerson was born at Weiser, Idaho, Feb. 27, 1898, and graduated from the Weiser high school. He served in the army during the World war, and in 1923 he entered Oregon State college. He played one year on the freshman football team and three years on the varsity. He left college temporarily to work, and had returned for a degree in commerce. In addition to his studies he was serving as assistant football coach.

Bryant, who is 20, said after his arrest that there was a misunderstanding over a "date" with a girl. He said he could not account for the stabbing if only he would have control of himself—I don't remember," he was quoted as saying.

### Murder to Be Charged

A charge of first degree murder will be placed against Bryant, according to District Attorney Fred McHenry. Investigation shows, he says, that Bryant obtained the knife, sharpened it and attacked without warning.

He is a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity. His mother, Mrs. Lewis M. Dickerson, sister and brother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. E. O. Finney, arrived here yesterday (Continued on page 4.)

## GALLOWS CLAIMS MURDERER-THIEF IN SNOWSTORM

(Associated Press Leased Wire)  
FAIRY MOUNT, Ont., Dec. 21. John Burrows, convicted of the murder of Thomas Jackson, farmer, after a small car holdup near here last August 15, was hanged in a snowstorm in the courtyard of the district jail today.

A biting wind whirled snow down on the courtyard as Burrows walked up the steps to the gallows, lashed by a single bullet. He objected momentarily to the black cap, but yielded to the hangman's insistence and a murmured short prayer as the trap was sprung.

Burrows and a companion, fleeing in a stolen automobile after the holdup, ran into a ditch. They hired Jackson to pull them out. As he and his son were doing so with a team of horses a posse hunting the robbers arrived on the scene. The robbers opened fire, killing Jackson. Burrows' companion escaped. Burrows had \$1,715 when caught.