

The Weather
Highest temperature yesterday...36
Lowest temperature last night...32
Forecast for interior...southwest
Oregon: Generally cloudy tonight
and Wednesday; temperature be-
low normal.

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BURNING AUTO KILLS OWNER AT CAMAS

FRESH CHANGE FOR IRRIGATION REGIONS ASKED

Cancellation of Interest
Charges Due the State
Is Recommended.

GUARANTEE IS HIT

Legislature Faces Discord
Over Considerations
That Freeze Out
Job Seekers.

DOUGLAS MEN ASSIGNED

Assignments announced at
the Oregon legislature yesterday
found Senator B. L. Eddy and
Representative Walter S. Fisher
of Douglas county on the
roads and highways committee
of the senate and house respectively.
Senator Eddy was also
placed on the committee on
agriculture, fishing industries,
judiciary, resolutions and rules.
Mr. Fisher was made a member
of the committee on assessment
and taxation. Representative
Charles A. Lockwood, who is
president of the Oregon Sports-
men's association, was quite ap-
propriately placed on the game
committee, also on the commit-
tee on automobiles and roads.

(Associated Press Local Wire)
SALEM, Ore., Jan. 15.—In its bi-
ennial report, made public today,
the state reclamation commission
recommends that irrigation dis-
tricts be relieved from obligation
of repaying to the state money
that has been advanced for the
payment of interest on district
bonds. Also the commission recom-
mends repeal of the interest guar-
antee act under which these ad-
vances have been made.

The recommendation is made as
an aid to the distressed districts.
The commission holds, however,
that the districts should not be
relieved of this debt until the bond-
holders have accepted a write-off
that will assure the future success
of the district.

New Program Wanted

Other recommendations are:
That all reorganizations be
successful should provide for a
limited liability to the lead owner
so that he would know with some
certainty what annual payments
would be required to pay his water
charges.
That the 1927 refunding act
should be amended in a way that
will simplify the procedure in is-
suing refunding bonds.
That provision should be made
for the use of bonds and interest
coupons in paying taxes levied for
payment of principal and interest
on bonds or for paying off liens.
That some authority should be
given for clearing up delinquent
taxes so that after reorganization
the land owner could begin with a
reasonable burden, or, if taken
over by district or county, could
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MAIL ROUTE IS EXTENDED TO TAKE IN PEEL DISTRICT

An extension of the Glide-Hoel
mail route to include the Peel
district has been secured through
the efforts of Postmaster C. S.
Helmsline, authority to extend this
route, effective today, having been
received at the local office.
At the present time the mail
carrier goes through Ironville in
Glide and then to Hoaglin, re-
turning to Glide and returning over
the Buckhorn road down North
Deer Creek.
Under the new arrangement he
will turn off at the Shrum place
and will go to the Carlin Creek
bridge, a distance of 6 miles and
will then return to the connection
with the Buckhorn road and
travel the usual route.
The extension provides daily
mail service, except Sunday, for
nearly 20 families residing in the
Peel district.

Atlanta "Thrill" Slayer on Trial \$6,000 a Year Spending Allowance Insufficient for George Harsh, Scion of Prominent Family, So He Resorted to Deeds of Murder and Robbery.



George Harsh (left) went to trial today at Atlanta, Georgia, as the climax of a brief career of murder and banditry, to which he previously confessed, naming his chum, Richard Gallogly (right) as an accomplice. According to his confession, Harsh was the gunman in the seven holdups in which two victims were slain. He said Gallogly drove the automobile in which the pair made their escape.

ATLANTA, Jan. 15.—Desire for a thrill; insanity; need for cash—these reasons are advanced for two sons of wealthy families charged with a series of holdups here that resulted in the slaying of two intended victims and baffled police for nearly a month.
George R. Harsh, of Milwaukee, jointly indicted for murder in the holdups with Richard G. Gallogly, was placed on trial here today.
Harsh, following his arrest last October, confessed to the holdups, police say, and to the slaying of E. H. Meek, grocery clerk, and Willard Smith, pharmacist, when they attempted to resist him. The youth, it is alleged, gave "desire for a thrill" as his motive. Gallogly has made no statement.
Solicitor John B. Boykin, directing the prosecution, declares he has evidence proving that the

FAST FIGHT CARD IS ANTICIPATED AT ARMORY TONIGHT

A boxing card of more than usual promise is being sponsored at Roseburg armory tonight by the local boxing commission. Three advertised bouts and two preliminaries make up a card that schedules 28 rounds of boxing with every indication pointing to good matches in each event.

The 18-round main event is between Joe Blackwell of Eugene and "Flash" Kelly of Portland, weights 160 pounds. Both of these boys are well known throughout the entire state and are apparently very well matched. They fought a draw in the local ring on a previous meeting.

Pat Padelford of Medford meets Jackie Maricoff of Spokane in a 6-round semi-final, with the winner promised an opportunity to meet Joe Marcus of Portland on a future card. Padelford is known to be a good fighter, but there is little data available on his opponent, who has been fighting most of the time in Washington.
The special event between "Tiger" Dunn of Riddle and Al Grey of Glendale is expected to draw a great deal of interest as fight fans of each community are backing their favorites to win. While both boys are rather inexperienced in the ring, yet they are natural fighters and are able to give and take a lot of punishment.
Mr. Ward, the local promoter, has arranged two good preliminary engagements.

GENERAL BOOTH DEFIANT

LONDON, Jan. 15.—It was stated in well informed circles this afternoon that General Bramwell Booth's reply to the high council of the Salvation Army was a refusal to retire.
The strain of the past few days is reported to have affected the condition of General Booth adversely and he has suffered a minor relapse which is leaving him a decidedly sick man at the present time.

H. A. Lindgren, from the extension bureau at O. S. C., was on arrival here yesterday from Corvallis to look after business affairs.

CAROLINA YOUTH OF 19 ACCUSER OF NORTHCOTT

Declares Prisoner Offered
Him \$3,000 to Help in
Killing Children.

POLICE DOUBT STORY

Sanford Clark, Nephew of
Defendant, Tells Tale
of Murder, Cruelty
on Ranch.

(Associated Press Local Wire)

RIVERSIDE, Cal., Jan. 15.—"That's very interesting," said Gordon Stewart Northcott on trial here for the murder of three boys when asked at the county jail this morning and told of a report from Greensboro, N. C., that Clarence Robertson, 19, had confessed to helping Northcott kill four children in a barn in California. He refused to comment further.
Northcott was awakened by Deputy Sheriff Ben De Crevecoeur and told of Robertson's purported confession to Greensboro police. He grinned the deputy sheriff reported and after expressing interest, listened to the report without emotion. "I refuse to say anything," was his only other comment, which he repeated several times when pressed for an answer to the new alleged quadruple killing.

Police Skeptical

GREENSBORO, North Carolina, Jan. 15.—Police were today investigating the story of Clarence Robertson, of Greensboro, that he helped Gordon Stewart Northcott kill four children in a barn in California. Officials indicated that they gave little credence to Robertson's disclosures.

Robertson gave himself up to the police last night. He said he was formerly in the army and obtaining leave went to the farm where Northcott was staying and that the latter offered him \$3,000 to help kill the children.

Nephew Tells of Crimes

RIVERSIDE, Cal., Jan. 15.—Gordon Stewart Northcott, who today was to hear further details of alleged slaying of young boys at his

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SUICIDE NOTE IS SENT BY MISSING PORTLAND REALTOR

(Associated Press Local Wire)
PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 15.—A letter indicating suicide was received today from G. H. Barnes, real estate dealer, who disappeared from his home here a week ago, leaving two notes suggesting that he planned to end his life.
A plan to drown himself over the side of the Admiral Benson, coastwise passenger steamer, is indicated in the letter received today. Police have determined that after leaving the suicide notes last week, Barnes sailed for San Francisco on the steamer.
The letter included this paragraph: "You will hear from me ere you get this for this will not be mailed until they dock at Frisco in the morning. . . I figure to leave the craft about 10 p. m."
The letter was dated 10 p. m., January 10.

The admiral line here had no word to indicate that Barnes had not disembarked at San Francisco, and there is no report of his disappearance from the boat.
Last Friday a Portland woman complained to the district attorney's office here that Barnes had failed to account for \$8,000 due her.

A. C. MARSTERS IS ELECTED HEAD OF LOCAL CHAMBER

The new executive board of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce was organized at a meeting held last night. A. C. Marsters was elected president; John McClintock, vice-president; and B. W. Strong, treasurer. The board spent the greater part of the evening discussing the applications for the position of secretary, which has been left open since the resignation of H. E. Cully, who is now employed by the U. S. National bank at Portland. After a lengthy discussion the board decided to leave this matter until the next meeting, and during the interim will investigate the qualifications of those who are seeking the position.

The old board reported on its business and made several recommendations but no action regarding new projects or policies was taken.

Mrs. Lois Powell, after visiting here at the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stearns, for a few days, returned Monday to Oakland.

WINTER KEEPS FREEZING GRIP ON MIDDLEWEST

Snow Blankets Large Area,
Streets Ice-Covered,
Roads Blocked.

MERCURY NINE BELOW

6 Deaths and Innumerable
Accidents Occur; Cold
Not So Intense in
Atlantic Zone.

(Associated Press Local Wire)

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Zero weather, wearing a shawl of snow, continued here unwelcome visit to middle America today, with little likelihood of her leaving for another day at least.

Snow covered most of the mid-west, following yesterday's heavy fall, masking icy pavements in the cities and blocking railroads and highways in the open country.
There were half a dozen deaths attributable to the cold, and innumerable accidents. One of those critically injured in automobile crashes in Chicago was Lou Kosloff, one of the city's theatre orchestra leaders and entertainers. His skull was fractured.

Temperatures fought their way from nine below zero Sunday night to a high of nine above last night, then began a gradual drop, in keeping with the prediction of "slightly colder" today. Snowing temperatures are promised for Wednesday through most of the midwest.

Six Streets Clogged

The city streets in Chicago offered a serious traffic problem, clogging streets and drives. Tons of snow were removed from the downtown streets during the day and last night, and were dumped into Lake Michigan. Outlying streets, however, afforded tedious and treacherous travel.

A Chicago and Northwestern railroad engineer was killed by a snow plow at Minnesota Junction, Wis., after a desperate struggle in which he clung to the plow for more than seven miles before finally dropping exhausted. In its

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COOS COUNTY MAN, SENTENCED TO HANG, TO GET NEW TRIAL

(Associated Press Local Wire)
SALEM, Ore., Jan. 15.—Methods used by Coos county authorities in obtaining from Robert Green a "confession" that he killed Caleb Green, his neighbor, are scored in an opinion of the supreme court today, which, for the first time in years, reverses the case of a man sentenced to be hanged for first degree murder.

The case was remanded for a new trial. The opinion was written by Justice Belt.

The methods used against Green, says Justice Belt, "belong to a darker age." The "confession" obtained from Green was admitted in evidence by the court. The supreme court holds this was error. When the authorities failed to obtain a confession from Green a detective in the guise of a "bank robber" was placed in the cell with him.

"This detective," says the opinion, "represented to Green that all that was necessary to get out of his trouble was to bribe the district attorney, that he expected to admit his guilt and pay \$3,500 to the district attorney and be released."

The detective, it is stated, was released, then returned to the cell and told Green "it had worked." He then offered to furnish Green \$2,000 to do likewise. Green accepted the offer.

U. S. ARMADAS OF TWO OCEANS WILL UNITE AT PANAMA

Pacific Fleet Accompanied
by Greatest Array of
Air Craft Ever
Assembled.

(Associated Press Local Wire)

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Jan. 15.—Carrying the mightiest armada in the world, the Pacific battle fleet will steam from the San Diego-San Pedro area for Panama today for joint maneuvers with the Atlantic units and with the army. In the vicinity of the canal zone, more than 200 planes of the most modern type, none more than nine months old, are to go with the fleet, which in itself numbers approximately 80 surface and submarine craft of all types. The giant aircraft carriers Saratoga and Lexington are taking approximately 120 of the planes, the rest being planes carried by the battleships and cruisers.

Included in the aerial fleet now assembled are ninety Boeing fighters, 26 Martin torpedo planes and 44 Vought corsairs. All are equipped with air-cooled motors and embody the last word in aerial engineering. Some of the planes have only been received during the past week, notably some of the corsairs and a large new Sikorsky amphibian.

Great Spectacle

A dozen battleships, an equal number of submarines, and their tenders and about forty destroyers, together with tugs and other auxiliaries, will steam from the rendezvous off the coast today. The destroyers and aircraft tenders will assemble in Coronado Roads, joining with the battleships and fleet train early this afternoon for the trip south. Never before, navy men say, has such an array of ships and such a formidable air force been gathered together.

Leading the destroyers from San Diego will be the scout cruiser Omaha, flagship of Rear Admiral Thomas J. Senn. Rear Admiral Rodley McLean in the U. S. Holland will lead the submarine divisions, while the giant air craft carrier Saratoga has been selected as the flagship of Rear Admiral Joseph M. Reeves, commanding the aircraft squadron's battle fleet.

PORTLAND WOMAN BEATS OFF BRUTE

(Associated Press Local Wire)

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 15.—At 10 p. m. today a woman was attacked by an unidentified man as she was walking to her home on the East Side. Mrs. Edna Peterson fought frantically, she told police today, and succeeded in beating her assailant off. Her screams attracted residents and police were summoned.

The woman was found lying on the sidewalk in a hysterical condition. After following her for several blocks, Mrs. Peterson said, the man suddenly attacked her, struck her several times and hurled her to the sidewalk.
She said she was unable to explain the attack.

J. M. LINN OF FOX FILM CO. IS THE VICTIM

Defect In Mechanism
or Dozing at Wheel,
Theories of the
Tragedy.

Portlander on Way to Coos
When Car Fails to Make
Curve; Identified
Thru License.

An unidentified man, believed, however, to be James Linn of Portland, state manager for the Fox Film Corporation, was burned to death last night in the wreck of his car which left the road and turned partly over in a ditch about half way up the east side of Camas mountain. The body was so badly burned that no positive identification could be made, but from the car license number and other facts connected with the tragedy officers are quite positive that the body is that of the Portland man, who is well known throughout the entire state as well as in Roseburg.

The accident apparently occurred shortly after 7 p. m. yesterday while the driver was going towards Marshfield. It is thought that the man must have fallen asleep at the wheel, or else suffered a stroke of heart failure or fainted, as it appeared that he was not conscious at the time the car left the road, for there were no tracks to indicate that he had attempted to turn or apply his brakes at any time after the car left the highway.

Ran Off at Turn

The wreck occurred on the big turn just about half way up the mountain from the Roseburg side. The road makes a very sharp turn at that point and on the right side of the road, at a distance of about 15 feet, there is a ditch approximately 6 feet deep and varying in width from 4 to 10 feet.

The car came up the straightaway road and went directly and swept up through the first floor, into the ditch, the rear end swinging around so that it lay on the further side of the narrow ditch with the wheels on the bank and the car partly on one side.

Evidently the wreck was not discovered for a short time, as travel was very light over the road so that by the time the first motorists reached the scene the car was blazing to such an extent that they

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NOTED AUTHORITY ON SPORTS BURNS TO DEATH IN HOME

(Associated Press Local Wire)

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Fred A. Hayner, nationally known sporting writer, was burned to death last night in a mysterious fire that destroyed his home in Lake Forest, north shore suburb.

Hayner, on the staff of the Daily News, of which he once was sporting editor, went to the basement of his home to adjust the oil-burning heater.

He was trapped by a sudden flare of fire that a moment later swept up through the first floor. Mrs. Hayner and their sons, Francis, 14, and James, 12, escaped, the children being taken from their smoke-filled room after Mrs. Hayner had run out.
The heat melted a gas pipe in the basement and the released gas ignited, handicapping efforts of firemen. The valve of the gas main was finally shut off and the blaze extinguished with a \$50,000 loss. Hayner's body, badly burned, was found face upward in the debris in the laundry.
Hayner, besides being an authority on sports, at one time was well known as a football referee. He was 52 years old.

