

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

LAVITT O. Wright, professor of romance languages at the University of Oregon, tells why Mexico, colonized from Europe 100 years earlier than the United States, has made little progress in the direction of real self-government while this country has been making strides in that direction that have astonished the world.

Mexico, he points out, was colonized by conquistadores who came seeking gold, and gold alone, while the United States was colonized by men and women who sought homes in a new world.

Conquerors, seeking loot, are little interested in plans for human betterment. But men and women who seek HOMES are interested above all else in freedom and equality of opportunity.

MEXICO, when she shook off the ruling hand of Europe and struck out for herself, was more than 85 per cent ILLITERATE.

The United States, Mr. Wright points out, was probably 85 per cent LITERATE when the experiment of self-government was undertaken.

So it is really not to be wondered at that democracy, which has flourished with us, has not been wholly successful south of the Rio Grande.

IN this country, favored in many ways above all other nations of the earth, we spend nearly half of all the money raised by local taxation for education. Those of narrow vision grumble. They know that the structure of successful self-government rests upon a foundation of universal education. If the foundation crumbles, the structure will fall.

We are wise in keeping the foundations of democracy broad and strong.

MR. Wright, who was born in Mexico and speaks with first-hand knowledge, tells an illuminating little story to explain why our neighbors to the south are in almost continuous revolt.

A little girl, pestered by parasites akin to those dubbed "cooties" by the soldiers, was scratching industriously. "Why are you scratching yourself so hard?" she was asked. "Because," she replied, "I'm the only one who knows where I itch."

Mexico, oppressed and misgoverned, itches under her misfortunes. Her submerged millions know that they itch and where, but do not accurately know why. So they scratch.

As we of the north reach a better understanding of Mexico's troubles, we watch the scratching process with more of sympathy and less of intolerant scorn.

THERE was a time when we were inclined to say: "Let's annex Mexico and force good government and equality of opportunity upon her people; it will be good for them in the long run."

That wouldn't stop the itching. It would merely cause them to itch in a new place. They would go on scratching, and WE would get scratched.

We are becoming wiser and more tolerant. We are beginning to realize that they must go on scratching until the thing that causes them to itch is diagnosed and cured. We can help with the diagnosis, but the Mexicans themselves must do the curing.

HERE is another interesting and brilliant bit of analysis by a University of Oregon man—Victor P. Morris, assistant professor of economics. It concerns the much discussed question as to why Oregon has gone ahead more slowly than California and Washington, and was contained in an address delivered at Albany the other day.

California, whose American settlement began about the same time as Oregon's, was tremendously stimulated by the discovery of gold at Sutter's Fort. Washington was similarly stimulated by the discovery of gold in Alaska, for which Washington was the point of departure.

Oregon, lying in between, has received comparatively little of the beetle, sudden development that follows a gold rush. So her progress has been slower, although eminently sound.

BUT don't overlook its significant fact: Oregon, for the reason (Continued on page 2)

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The Weather

Highest temperature yesterday...55
Lowest temperature last night...38
Forecast for interior southwest Oregon: Fair tonight and Wednesday; light frost tonight; warmer Wednesday.

GOVERNOR TO BE SPEAKER AT JUBILEE

Glendale Committee's
Invitation Accepted.

One of Biggest Crowds in
History of Southern
Oregon Expected.

PROGRAM COMPLETE

Complete Holiday Declared
in Roseburg—Caravan
and Special Train
Leave 7:30 a. m.

GLENDALE, April 30.—A telegram was received here this morning from Governor L. L. Patterson, in response to an invitation from the Glendale Jubilee committee, stating that the governor and a party of state officials will be present for the big celebration. Governor Patterson and his party will arrive early in the morning, according to present plans, and will remain throughout the day. He will be one of the speakers at the program to be held following the basket dinner at noon.

Glendale tomorrow will be host to one of the largest throngs ever gathered in one place in the history of southern Oregon, unless indications fail. The Glendale Lumber Jubilee, celebrating the opening of the new Glendale Lumber company mill and the restoration of the city following the big fire which occurred last year, has received very enthusiastic cooperation from every city in Douglas county, so that there will be a great crowd present. It is expected to participate in the festivities of the day.

Roseburg and Grants Pass, particularly, are entering very heartily into the event and in Roseburg a complete holiday has been declared by proclamation of Mayor Hoover. Practically every store in Roseburg has agreed to close for the day. A partial list was printed yesterday, although not all of the names were included. Wharton Brothers and Leake and Beyers, implement firms, today announced their intentions of closing also. The school board has ordered a full holiday for the city schools, so that Roseburg families will be able to attend the celebration.

The Southern Pacific company (Continued on page 6.)

**HUSBAND, 21 YRS.
OLD, CONFESSES TO
MURDERING WIFE**

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., April 30.—Earl Francis Peacock, 21, today confessed that he killed his 20-year-old estranged wife, Dorothy, after a quarrel, and burned her body with kerosene.

The charred body was found under an apple tree in a thicket along the Ardley road last Saturday and identification was made through a small piece of her house dress.

According to the confession of the youthful husband, as made public by officers, the couple had been living apart, following a disagreement. The wife went to New York while Peacock continued to live in his Mount Vernon home.

Francis Murray, 19, is being held in the Mount Vernon jail as a material witness. Miss Murray, the police allege, is Peacock's sweetheart.

The girl told police she had stayed with Peacock in his Mount Vernon apartment and that he had given her some of his wife's clothing.

**THREE KILLED AS
TAXI HITS TRUCK**

NORTH HAVEN, Conn., April 30.—Three men were instantly killed and two seriously injured today when a taxi driven by Frank Goodall of Hartford crashed into a disabled truck on the Hartford Post road near here. The dead: Peter P. Clark, 32, Hartford; Charles D. Brown, 34, Hartford; John Meyers, 25, New York City.

The injured are Frank Goodall of Hartford and Harry Lemberger of Brooklyn, N. Y. Their condition considered critical.

Will Speak At Glendale Fete



Governor L. L. Patterson and a group of Oregon officials will attend the Lumber Jubilee at Glendale tomorrow, according to word received at Glendale today. Governor Patterson will be one of the speakers at the celebration.

PORTLAND'S RATE EXPERTS CHARGED WITH HUGE GRAFT

PORTLAND, Ore., April 30.—Charges that a firm of rate experts had appropriated in salary for its members \$26,542.07 of the \$39,863.35 city money spent in investigating the rates of Portland utilities, were being considered by city officials today. The charges were made by C. A. Bigelow, city commissioner, and John J. Curtin, city statistician, after Carey & Harlan, rate experts, had offered, for a consideration of \$20,000, to fight the proposed ten-cent streetcar check in Portland.

The figures developed from a report of the statement Carey & Harlan presented to the city council with the request for \$20,000 to continue the investigation. The \$26,542 salary item, however, proved such a bombshell that Harlan refused to withdraw his \$20,000 request contingent upon his employment to fight the car fares.

Carey and Kenneth Harlan of Tacoma were employed about eight months ago by the city to investigate the rates of the Portland Electric Power company. An appropriation of \$48,000 was made with which to conduct the investigation. At yesterday's conference it developed that \$9,000 was left and the rate experts would receive \$6,000 of this amount, making about \$15,000 each for a year's work.

Further investigations by city statisticians indicated the rate experts spent \$13,411.28 for operating costs, the remainder going to salaries. City officials declare the firm's profits so far on the paid rate is about twice what they paid for the experts.

The rate experts, accountants, rent, stenographers, depreciation and other items.

**IDEAL HUSBAND
AND WIFE—HERE'S
THE DESCRIPTIONS**

CHICAGO, April 30.—Maybe present-day girls aren't good cooks. Who cares? Out of 1,000 questionnaires in the "ideal home mate contest" of the Chicago own-your-own-home exposition only two men showed the slightest interest in woman's culinary skill.

Specifications for ideal mates stressed the following points:

The ideal wife: She doesn't have to be a good cook if she is handy with a can-opener; she must be "cuddlesome" at least part of the time. She must not nag; she ought to know how to darn socks; she must be neat and sensible; "and beautiful, if possible."

The ideal husband: He must understand; he must be a comrade; he must wash dishes with a smile; he must be kind to the dog and the neighbors; he must clean the bathtub after using it; he must not brag about his earnings; he must be tolerant of millinery bills; and he must admit his wife to partnership in the business of home-making.

**DRY AGENT WHO KILLED
WOMAN IS EXONERATED**

GENEVA, Ill., April 30.—Roy Smith, the deputy sheriff who shot and killed Mrs. Lillian De King during a prohibition enforcement raid on her home, was exonerated today by the Kane county grand jury.

Mrs. S. C. Bruce of San Francisco returned to her home in the southern metropolis after visiting here for a short time with her sister, Mrs. Dona.

MAY DAY RIOTS THREATENED IN FOREIGN CITIES

Communist Activities in
Various Countries Lead
to Preparations to
Preserve Order.

Moscow Headquarters Said
to Have Instructed Its
Agents to Stir Up
Revolutions.

LONDON, April 30.—Unusual police precautions were in order in almost every capital in Europe today and tomorrow in anticipation of May Day labor and communist disturbances.

Berlin and Paris were regarded here as especially liable to disorders on the fete day of the Third Internationale. Outdoor public meetings have been restricted in both cities until after Wednesday.

The Daily Mail presented a story that communist leaders in Moscow had ordered their agents to instigate rioting throughout Europe. The Mail cited passages from Pravda, Moscow, urging communists everywhere to go into the streets in a new revolutionary effort, and declaring a new revolutionary battle was getting under way in India in connection with strikes among mill workers at Bombay.

The same paper said English port officers had been instructed to exercise undue care not to permit communist agitators from the continent into England, that two such were turned back last week. **City Preparedness.**

At Warsaw city authorities had decided to allow meetings and processions despite considerable public agitation to have them banned as likely to lead to rioting. Police reserves had been strengthened and the entire constabulary of the city and district mobilized to meet any emergency, however.

In England, it was predicted in some quarters agitators would use the usual demonstrations to raise trouble. Scotland Yard was said to be well aware of communist preparations and to have taken necessary measures to preserve peace.

Turmoil in Germany.

BERLIN, April 30.—Noisy communist demonstrations heralding approach of May Day in such parts of the city as Spittelmarkt and Potsdamerplatz resulted yesterday in police interference and a number of arrests.

The communists have shouted defiance of police orders prohibiting open air demonstrations and have urged workers to rally on Wednesday in disregard of the ban. Demonstrations in the suburb of Weissensee and to Frederick III in Charlottenburg were painted in red. "Streets Free for May 1."

GAY PAREE TRIP WRECKED HOME OF THEATRICAL PAIR

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., April 30.—Francis T. Whalen, the man who thinks up funny things for Harold Lloyd to do in the movies, was divorced and facing a court order to pay \$250 a month alimony here today.

Mrs. Whalen, known to vaudeville as Judy King, told the court they went over to see Paris, but when they got there Whalen decided the gay city was not for her and made her stay at the hotel nights, while he went out to see what he could see.

"For two weeks I had only two meals with him," she related, "and then he gave me a ticket home and told me he'd break my neck if I didn't leave on the next boat."

The \$250 a month alimony is the minimum the court allowed. She is to get twenty per cent of Whalen's earnings and any year he makes more than \$20,000 she is allowed a bonus.

SWAN FARM HOME NEAR TENMILE IS RAZED BY FIRE

The R. L. Swan home, located near the road between Tenmile and Lookingglass, was completely destroyed by fire last night. The fire started from some unknown source and completely burned the building and furniture. The family was able to save only a few articles from the home. As there was no means of fighting the flames, there was nothing that could be done to save the building and its contents. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

MELLON PROBE DIRECTED FROM ANOTHER ANGLE

Secretary's Activities in
Behalf of Aluminum Co.
Under Scrutiny of
Senate Board.

Old Suit Under Anti-Trust
Law Figures—Federal
Prosecutor Ignores
Order to Quit.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—Inquiry into the nature of a visit to Canada by Andrew Mellon in 1925 and as to whether it was in the interest of the Aluminum company of America, was suggested before the senate judiciary committee today as it argued over the right of the secretary of the treasury to hold that post.

Supporting the report of Chairman Norris that Mellon as a stockholder in various enterprises is violating an old statute forbidding the secretary of the treasury to be interested in carrying on trade or commerce, Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, raised the point of Mr. Mellon's purported Canadian visit.

Old Suit Referred to.

Senator Walsh has produced before the committee a deposition of Mr. Mellon in a law suit involving a claim against the aluminum company of America. The suit was tried in 1925. The aluminum company was charged with violation of the anti-trust law in the acquisition of a certain tract of land in Canada.

It was the understanding of Senator Walsh that Mr. Mellon, who is a stockholder in the Aluminum company, went to Canada and while there signed certain papers in connection with the land transaction.

The Montana senator, however, informed the committee today that the record was "vague" on this point. He left the suggestion that further inquiry on this point would be advisable.

De Groot Won't Resign.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—Unless William A. DeGroot, federal attorney for the eastern New York district, complies with Attorney General Mitchell's demand for his resignation, President Hoover is expected to remove him from office by the simple method of appointing a successor.

DeGroot is the only district attorney thus far who has refused to comply with the attorney general's request for his resignation in the process of reorganizing the law enforcement agencies of the justice department. That undertaking (Continued on page 3.)

BERT G. BATES TO BE EDITOR OF NEW MOVIE MAGAZINE

Bert G. Bates, former associate editor of the News-Review, now connected with the Fawcett publications, arrived in Roseburg last night from Minneapolis, where he has been located for several months. He will be here for a week or ten days and will then go to Hollywood, where he is to take over the editorship of a new motion picture magazine that the Fawcett company is preparing to start during the summer. Mr. Bates is well pleased with his new position, but states that he is delighted to get back to the Pacific coast. He is packing his furniture and is preparing to move with his wife and daughter to Hollywood early next month.

BOAT, TRAIN AND AIRPLANE USED IN RACE WITH DEATH

NEWTON, Iowa, April 30.—A race with death, by boat, airplane and train, ended at 7 a. m. today when Mrs. Fred E. Jasper and Miss Stella McCord reached the bedside of their father, M. A. McCord, to find him seriously ill but a little stronger.

The daughters, who took an airplane in New York a few hours after the liner Battle on which they returned from a European trip, docked yesterday, went to the bedside of their father upon their arrival by train from Chicago. They were allowed to stay only a few moments due to his weak condition.

The final dash from New York was a trying experience, they said. They entered a plane at 6:50 a. m. yesterday, bucked head winds to Chicago and finally were forced to board a train for the last lap to Newton.

Thos. A. Edison Launches Quest For American Boy Qualified To Carry On Wizard's Activities

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
NEW YORK, April 30.—Thomas A. Edison is seeking an American school boy whose scientific mind may qualify him to carry on the work of the great inventor. When such a boy has been selected by means of one of Mr. Edison's famous questionnaires, he will be awarded four years tuition in the technical school of his own choice. High school and preparatory students are eligible.

Announcement of the offer was made by Charles A. Edison, son of the inventor and president of the Edison industries at Orange, N. J. Thomas Edison is in Florida.

"As the weight of advancing years falls on the great inventor's shoulders he is seeking a youth of unusual capabilities who perhaps will have the genius to carry on the great work he has so well started," the announcement said.

To Choose From 49
The governor of each state and the commissioners of the District of Columbia will be asked to designate one male student who is the best representative of American manhood and possesses the highest ability in scientific subjects during the school year of 1928-29.

Each of the 49 winners will receive a free trip to the Edison laboratories where they will be asked to answer the questionnaire which will be prepared personally by Mr. Edison. Each of the 49 will be given an Edison radio-phonograph. Names of the state winners must be in Mr. Edison's hands July 1. The Edison trip will be made early in August.

The first Thomas A. Edison questionnaire in May, 1921, was given to employees and applicants for employment at the East Orange plants. It was a mixture of scientific and general information questions. Mr. Edison said it had revealed that men who had gone through college were "amazingly ignorant." His questionnaire created a widespread controversy and the University of Chicago drew up a set of questions for him to answer.

**PASSENGER PLANE
TO MAKE FLIGHTS
AT CELEBRATION**

Harold R. Adams, of the Umpqua Flying Service, left this morning in his Travelair plane for Glendale, accompanied by Carl Wieveles, one of the company's students, and Charles V. Stanton, city editor of the Roseburg News-Review. Mr. Adams will have his plane in Glendale during the jubilee for passenger service, affording an opportunity for visitors at the celebration to obtain a view of Glendale and its surroundings from the air. It is expected that there will be a great deal of flying done tomorrow, as the weather prospects are ideal, making it possible for passengers to obtain a wonderful glimpse of the Cow Creek valley, from the air. Mr. Stanton is going to Glendale today to "cover" the celebration and will be on hand tomorrow when the festivities are started.

TELEPHONE BONDS ARE OFFERED VIA STOCK CONVERSION

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
NEW YORK, April 30.—Directors of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. today offered stockholders rights to purchase approximately \$219,000,000 in convertible 4 1/2 per cent bonds, the largest bond offering in recent years, in ratio of \$100 par value for each six shares of stock held.

The bonds are convertible into common stock at \$150 a share during the year 1930, \$150 a share during the years 1931 and 1932, and \$200 a share during the years 1933 to 1937 inclusive.

In their conversion, however, the bondholder may take one share of stock for each \$100 par value of bonds by paying the difference between the conversion price of the stock then in effect and \$100.

MODERN MAN PAYS HEAVILY IN QUEST OF BEAUTY HELPS

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
NEW YORK, April 30.—Try to get any man to admit that he spends even half as much as the women folks do for aids to beauty. But they do—and its more than half, too, according to a survey prepared by Dorothy Gray, a beauty specialist, based on trade statistics and department of commerce figures. For tachs, hair tonics and barber shop luxuries men spent in 1928 in this country \$1,050,000,000, the survey shows. The feminine beauty bill was \$1,825,000,000.

Facials alone cost father \$100,000,000.

COUNTRESS KILLED IN AUTO MISHAP

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
LONDON, April 30.—Countess Powis, wife of the fourth earl of Powis, was killed yesterday when her automobile skidded and overturned near Towchester while driving from Powis castle to London. Inasmuch as her body showed no signs of injury and her chauffeur was unhurt it was believed she died of shock.

The Earl of Powis, her husband, is a descendant of the illustrious "Clive of India" who was hero of the battle of Plassey and was created a baron for his Indian services.

SENATE NEARER ENACTMENT OF FARM AID BILL

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
WASHINGTON, April 30.—Despite interruptions which have delayed progress of the senate farm bill thus far, Chairman McNary of the agriculture committee, in charge of the measure, was hopeful today that its consideration could be completed this week.

A vote on the debenture section had been counted on today, but the fact that the senate was able to give only one hour to the farm bill yesterday and developments during that discussion changed that expectation. Now a vote on this disputed section is not looked for until tomorrow or Thursday, but with no indications that other sections will arouse such disputes, final action on the bill itself is expected to follow quickly.

Debtors Face Sure
Administration supporters in opposition to the debenture proposal continue confident that they will be able to defeat it. They were encouraged yesterday by the division of sentiment among its proponents indicated by the attack of Senator Caraway, democrat, Arkansas, on the amendment proposed by Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska, to provide for reduction of debenture rates as a means of discouraging overproduction of affected crops.

Both are supporters of the debenture plan and the Norris amendment was intended to win votes for it among those who fear it would tend to encourage overproduction of debenturable products. A ballot on the amendment is planned before the debenture section is brought to a vote. The Arkansas senator contended its effect would be to penalize farmers for using production advice given them by the government.

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Sex Pamphlet Bill
WASHINGTON, April 30.—A bill to permit sex pamphlets, which may be classed as obscene, to be sent through the mails by registered mail.

DEATH HAS FINAL WORD IN QUARREL OF NEWLY WEDS

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
NEW YORK, April 30.—Discovery of the bodies of a young broker and his bride in their midtown apartment presented a mystery to police today.

Homer L. Carruthers, 28, and Olga, 29, who eloped a month ago, were found dead on the floor of their kitchenette by a policeman summoned by an neighbor whose suspicions were aroused when unable to enter the apartment since Thursday.

Mrs. Carruthers' body, clad in a night dress, was found on the floor and that of her husband, fully clothed except for coat and vest, was crouched over hers as though he had been trying to lift her when he fell. Except for a bruise on the young woman's face there was no wound on the bodies. No weapons were found.

The apartment was in disorder and a neighbor told police she heard sounds of an argument in the apartment Thursday night and had noticed a strong odor of gas.

Reconstructing the tragedy the police were inclined to believe that after the quarrel Mrs. Carruthers shot herself in the kitchenette, turned on all the gas jets, that later she was found unconscious by her husband, that he turned off the jets and then succumbed to the fumes.

Relatives and friends told the police the couple appeared very happy.

Thomas Yokum and Frank Davis were out of town visitors here yesterday, coming to this city from Riddle.

McNary Expects Passage of Measure Satisfactory to the President This Week.

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FOUR KILLED AND FIFTH WOUNDED IN KENTUCKY BATTLE

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
PAINTSVILLE, Ky., April 30.—A family of three was wiped out, another man was killed and a fifth was wounded in a midnight shooting in a woods ten miles from here. County officers today were hampered in their investigation by the reticence or short memory of the one survivor.

Bodies of the victims, Lee Gibson, 32; his wife, 35; their son, Bonnie, 14; and Wallace Hannah, 39, were found several hours after the shooting. Wayne Hannah, a relative of one of the victims, had been brought to a hospital here.

County officers can see no other explanation than the tragedy was the outgrowth of moonshining.

SAM KOZER HERE TO CHECK WORK FOR REPAIR OF ARMORY

Sam Kozar, state budget officer, was in Roseburg last night making an inspection of the Roseburg armory to determine the repairs needed this year. At the last session of the legislature a bill, introduced by Walter Fisher with the support of the county delegation, was passed appropriating approximately \$5,000 for making needed repairs and improvements, which will include a new roof, repairs to the plumbing, installation of a new floor and painting and redecorating the interior. Mr. Kozar stated the work to be done and will report to the budget committee at its next meeting.