

WEATHER FORECAST

Highest temperature yesterday 57
Lowest temperature last night 34
Precipitation last 24 hours .09
Total precip. for month .75
Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1930 3.02
Relative humidity 5 p. m. (75) 73

Roseburg News-Review

THE DOUGLAS COUNTY DAILY

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Oregon: Fair tonight and Friday;
freezing temperature in interior to-
night.
Roseburg and vicinity: Fair to-
night and Friday; freezing temper-
ature tonight.

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SLIDES IN FRENCH CITY KILL NEARLY 100

Editorials
on the
Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
W. WEATHERLY, Portland
capitalist, is beginning con-
struction at Springdale, near Port-
land, of a quarter of a million dol-
lar poultry farm, which will start
off with at least 100,000 hens.

MR. WEATHERLY is the kind
of capitalist Oregon needs. He
lives in this state. He believes in
this state. He has made his money
in this state. And he isn't afraid to
spend it in order to develop the in-
dustries of his state.

SECURITIES worth \$75,000 were
found stuffed in the furniture
when police investigated the sui-
cide of Mrs. Lella L. Green, of Los
Angeles.

A fire, starting from any one of
a hundred casual causes, would
have wiped out this whole tidy lit-
tle fortune.

TURNING to another column, we
read that a Los Angeles dia-
mond broker, traveling to the East
by train, was robbed at Kansas
City of a pouch containing \$40,000
worth of diamonds, which he was
carrying loose in his coat.

CARELESSNESS! What a toll it
takes, year in and year out.
The great pity, of course, is the
needless toll of human lives taken
by carelessness, but it is astound-
ing how careless people are with
the property they have worked
hard to secure.

BUT let us get on with this care-
lessness story.
Mrs. Mabel Long, of Reseda,
California, wearing a \$1,000 dia-
mond ring, went out to feed the
chickens. When she came back,
the stone was gone from its set-
ting.

A JAPANESE woman and her
six-year-old daughter were
walking on the Columbia highway,
near Troutdale, at night. They
were struck by an approaching car
and killed. The driver said he was
blinded by the lights of a car he
was meeting and didn't see the
woman and child.

SOMEDAY steps will be taken to
minimize this danger. We will
build pedestrian paths along our
main traveled paved highways.
The cost will be moderate, and the
addition to safety will be great.

GEORGE W. RUSSELL, Irish
critic, poet and painter, recog-
nized as an authority in the field
of rural economics, says we need a
larger farm population in the United
States.
We do, whenever farming in the
United States becomes profitable
enough to support in comfort a
larger farm population.

GO "WET" OR
CRASH, BUTLER
TELLS G. O. P.

America Insists on Repair
of "Dreadful Damage"
Done by Dry Law,
Educator Says.

Recent Election, He Avers,
Indicates Demand for
Change—Home Wine
Making Quizzed.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—Dr. Nich-
olas Murray Butler, president of
Columbia university and prominent
republican, is on record with the
prediction that unless the republi-
can party declares for repeal of the
18th amendment in 1932, there will
result "the biggest political
smash-up in the history of any
American now living."

"The intelligence and the moral
purpose of the American people,"
he said in a statement, "are un-
flinchingly determined to repair
the dreadful damage done to our
government and to our public life
by the ratification of the eight-
eenth amendment, as well as to
bring to a quick end the shocking
conditions which cowardice and
hypocrisy on the part of the office-
holding and office-seeking class,
together with an uncontrolled and
untaxed nationwide liquor traffic,
have brought upon the nation."

Referring to the declaration of
Senator Simeon D. Fess, chairman
of the republican national com-
mittee, which said, "if the republican
party stands for repeal it might as
well say good-bye," Dr. Butler
countered:

"If the republican party does not
stand for repeal, it might as well
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JOHN M. GEARIN,
EX-SENATOR, DIES

PORTLAND, Nov. 13.—John M.
Gearin, 79, former United States
senator from Oregon and member
of the law firm of Simon Gearin,
Humphreys & Freed, died here
yesterday.

Senator Gearin was born in Uma-
rilla county, and up to twenty years
ago when he retired from political
life, he was one of the best known
citizens of Oregon. He graduated
from Notre Dame, and practiced
law in Portland 57 years.

At the age of 23 Gearin was a
member of the Oregon legislature.
In 1905 he was appointed to the
United States senate to fill the un-
expired term of John H. Mitchell,
who died during his term of office.

DRY LAW REPEAL
DRIVES HER FROM
MASSACHUSETTS



Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, of Beverly,
Mass., national chairman of the
committee for law enforcement,
has announced she would
sell her Beverly home and move to
Florida. Reasons for her depart-
ure were that, being bitterly dis-
appointed over the repeal of the
baby Volstead act in Massachusetts,
she had no desire to bring her
children up in a state where the
liquor law had been repealed.

BANKER MURDERS 3
CHILDREN, WOUNDS
WIFE, SLAYS SELF

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Nov. 13.—
Three children were shot and killed
today by their father, R. W.
Playford, 55, a prominent Union-
town lawyer and banker, who then
killed himself, apparently while
suffering under the delusion the
family was facing poverty. Play-
ford's wife was wounded probably
fatally.

The dead, besides the father, are
Nancy, 12; Margaret, 10, and Pauline,
9. Mrs. Playford, 45, before her
marriage was Nancy Stirling,
member of a prominent Baltimore,
Md., family.

All of the bodies except that of
the man were found in their beds.
The children and Mrs. Playford ap-
parently were sleeping when the
shots were fired.

Playford was a director of the
Fayette Title and Trust company
which merged recently with the
National bank of Fayette county.
He also was a director of the
merged bank. Police said they be-
lieved his business worries had
caused temporary insanity.

The condition of Mrs. Playford
was such physicians said she could
not live.

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VALUATION OF
UTILITIES IN
OREGON RISES

Boost Nearly \$10,000,000,
Assessors Informed by
Chairman Fisher of
State Tax Body.

Local County Assessments
Show Decline; Meeting
Hears Debate on
Income Tax.

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 13.—An in-
crease of about \$10,000,000 in the
full valuation, or about \$6,000,000 in
the apportioned or assessed valua-
tion of utility companies in Ore-
gon has been made this year by the
state tax commission, as compared
with last year. Earl Fisher, chair-
man of the commission, told the
assessors of the state here today. The
full valuation for a total of about
300 concerns in the state will run
this year approximately \$316,000,
000 as against \$306,000,000 last
year, he said.

The utilities, Fisher said, espe-
cially the electric utilities, show a
substantial growth in operations
and earnings.

Local valuations in the counties,
Fisher stated, on which the 1931
assessments will be made, will
show a decline of about \$4,000,000.
Debate Income Tax.

The state income tax had vigor-
ous defense from Dr. J. H. Gilbert
of the University of Oregon. He
held that the 1923 income tax act,
which was repealed after a year's
operation, was not excessive and
not responsible for a curtailment
of industrial activity in Oregon. On
this statement C. C. Chapman of
Portland took issue with Gilbert,
declaring that it was more than the
traffic would bear, that it did re-
duce industrial activity and that
the strong protests against it led to
the repeal. Chapman said he had
hoped for the new income tax act,
though he contended, also in oppo-
sition to a statement by Gilbert,
that the income tax, as far as the
individual taxpayer is concerned, is
an additional tax, he said, as far as

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SLIDE STRIKES BUNK
HOUSE, KILLING 5

FANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. 13.—
Five men were dead today and one
injured from a rock and dirt slide
which demolished a bunk house
at the Anox mine of the Granby
Consolidated Mining, Smelting and
Powder company.

Reports of the tragedy were meager
and it was not known how
many men were in the building or
how the slide was started. Anox is
an Observatory inlet, about 50
miles north of Prince Rupert, B. C.

74th Birthday
Finds Brandeis
At Usual Grind

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—Just-
ice Louis D. Brandeis spent to-
day working pretty much as usual,
even though it was his 74th birth-
day.

The occasion passed quietly with
the justice engaged in court work
at his residence, the supreme court
being in recess. Appointed by
President Wilson in 1916, he has
for four years been eligible for re-
tirement but has shown no dis-
position to lay down his important
work.

His name recently was suggest-
ed as head of the Zionist move-
ment but he has so far given no
indication he will retire from the
bench to direct it.

Justice Brandeis has long been
regarded as an expert in inter-
state commerce matters and has
written the decisions of the court
in many controversies affecting the
activities of the interstate com-
merce commission.

With his distinguished colleague,
Justice Holmes, who in March
will be 90 years old, Justice Brandeis
has frequently dissented from the
majority of the court, especial-
ly on issues involving public util-
ities.

DISABILITY WINS
PAROLE FOR VET
WHO STOLE AUTO

Marion Harris, indicted by the
grand jury on a charge of larceny
in connection with the alleged
theft of a car belonging to George
Smith of the Rose hotel, was sen-
tenced to six months in the county
jail and was paroled to S. W. Star-
mer, Soldiers' Home commandant,
today. The state agreed to the re-
duction of the charge to that of
taking an automobile with no in-
tention to steal. The plea was made
to the court that Harris is an ex-
service man suffering from dis-
ability received during the World
war and is awaiting hospitaliza-
tion. He is in poor health, it was
reported, and has been receiving
treatment at the soldiers' home
hospital while awaiting action on
his application for admission to
the U. S. veterans' hospital at
Portland.

He and Floyd Hartman, the
court was told, took Smith's car
Tuesday, November 4, intending to
enjoy a short ride and return the
car, having no intent to steal. They
were pursued by Smith and wrecked
the auto.

Harris assumed full responsibil-
ity for the act, and as a result the
charge against Hartman was dis-
missed by the court.

Complaints will probably be filed
against the men in the justice
court charging them with intoxica-
tion, as it is claimed by the offi-
cers that both men had been
drinking prior to taking the auto.

TRAGEDY IN
ELITE CIRCLE
TO BE PROBED

Inquest to Be Held Into
Death of Mrs. Bowles,
Prominent Matron
of Portland.

Estranged Mate and Third
Principal in Triangle
Case Aver Woman
Slew Herself.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 13.—An
inquest will be held tomorrow into
the death of Mrs. Lenora Bowles, 33,
prominent Portland woman, who
died yesterday with a knife in her
heart. The tragedy occurred in the
apartment of Mrs. Irma Loucks
Paris, 25, former secretary to Nel-
son C. Bowles, in the presence of
Mrs. Paris and Bowles.

Mrs. Bowles had gone to the
apartment to discuss the relation-
ship of Bowles and Mrs. Paris.

No charge has been placed
against Mrs. Paris or Bowles. They
told investigators Mrs. Bowles
plunged the knife into her own
heart during a discussion of alleged
intimacies between Bowles and
his former secretary.

Dr. Earl Smith, coroner, said all
evidence pointed to suicide but
Stanley Meyers, district attorney,
ordered an inquest.

Divorce Discussed.
Bowles, police asserted, told them
he and his wife had been separated
for a month. At Mrs. Bowles re-
quest, he said, he had attempted
to call her yesterday but was un-
successful. He then received a call
from Mrs. Paris saying Mrs. Bowles
was at her apartment and asking
him to come at once.

At the apartment, police said,
Bowles and his wife discussed ad-
visability of a divorce. Mrs. Bowles
then went to the kitchen apparently
to get a drink. Bowles allegedly
told police he could see part of his
wife's coat as she stood at the sink
and presently he saw her slump to
the floor. He rushed to the kitchen

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AIR RECORD EFFORT
ENDS IN DISASTER

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—An at-
tempt to shatter the world's air-
plane endurance record ended in
double misfortune early today
when the "American Legion"
burned in a forced landing and its
refueling ship, "Miss O'Connell," fell
into Jamaica bay near the Jamaica
sea airport.

FARMER-LABOR
REPRESENTATIVES'
VOTES RATE HIGH

PAUL KVALE

THE votes of two Minnesotans,
Congressman Paul Kvale and Sen-
ator Henrik Shipstead, the only
representatives of the Farmer-Labor
party in the national body of law-
makers, are of high value in the
72nd congress, owing to the close
division of strength of the two ma-
jor political units. There is a
difference of but two in numerical
strength of republicans and dem-
ocrats in the lower house, giving
Kvale unique power on close vot-
ing. In the upper house only the
vote of Shipstead separates the
major political units. The Minne-
sota senator has voted with republi-
cans nearly always in the past.

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Arnold Rodley
Exonerated By
Portland Jury

PORTLAND, Nov. 13.—Arnold
Rodley, 25, Roseburg, was exoner-
ated yesterday by a coroner's
jury, and the accident in which
Thomas L. Reid, 27, traveling me-
chanic for the Asbury Transporta-
tion company, met his death was
found to be an "unavoidable ac-
cident." A charge of involuntary
manslaughter placed against Rodley
was dismissed. Reid met his
death when the automobile, which
was bringing him to Portland for
medical treatment, ran into a post
here Saturday.

ALL OF CUBA PUT
UNDER MARTIAL LAW

HAVANA, Nov. 13.—In the face
of increasing unrest throughout
the republic President Maximo
Gonzarales today issued a decree
suspending constitutional guarantees
throughout Cuba.

It is expected martial law will
go into effect immediately.

Threatening rumors of revolt
which for three days had menaced
the peace and order in the repub-
lic were responsible for the drastic
step taken by the president.

COMMISSIONERS GO
TO HIGHWAY MEET

County Commissioners here
today for Marshfield, where they
are to attend the meeting of the
West Empire Highway association
today. This meeting will be de-
voted to the subject of road im-
provement and development of the
east district of California and
Oregon as an attraction to tour-
ists. The commissioners are also
making a trip to Loon lake where
dams will soon upon the road work
done there this year.

CATASTROPHE
CASTS GLOOM
OVER LYONS

Successive Avalanches of
Dirt Demolish Homes
and Trap Dwellers
as They Sleep.

Rescue Party of 26 Caught
in 2nd Crash—Former
Premier Directing
Relief Work.

LYONS, France, Nov. 13.—A
catastrophic landslide, taking the
lives of between 60 and 100 persons,
has thrown the entire city of
Lyons into mourning.

In the dead of last night practi-
cally the entire Fourviere hill sur-
rounded by the Noble Basilica of
St. Jean slid in the city proper,
bringing ten houses down in ruins.

Late this afternoon three bodies,
including those of two firemen,
were recovered.

Former Premier Herriot, mayor
of Lyons for 25 years, was person-
ally superintending rescue work,
arising from a sick bed.

He sent an urgent call to army
headquarters at Grenoble asking
two companies of engineers be dis-
patched to Lyons immediately to
lead volunteer rescue parties.

Rescuers Perish.
The death of 19 firemen and 7
policemen who were trapped by a
second collapse at 3 o'clock this
morning, while attempting to res-
cue the victims of the first land-
slide, had somewhat disorganized
the rescue work.

It may be days, so dangerous
is the further work of removal of
the debris, before the total num-
ber of dead is known. Some few
persons, residing on the edge of
the collapsed area, have been taken
out from the ruins seriously in-
jured, and sent to hospital.

Three Slides Occur.
The landslide was apparently the
result of heavy rains during the
last two days. When the first res-
cue squad was buried beneath fall-
ing masonry the ambulance which
had come with them to the site of
disaster was cut in two by a large
falling block of stone.

A few more persons were able
to lean from windows and doors-
ways to safety but most of the in-
habitants of the houses were
buried as they collapsed. There
was an initial landslide at one a.
m., another shortly after, a third
at 3 a. m., and a fourth at 4 a. m.
Authorities fear there will be
additional movements.

All buildings in the immediate
vicinity of the stricken district
were destroyed.

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BLOWN STUMP HITS
SCHOOL; 7 INJURED

IRONTON, Ohio, Nov. 13.—
Seven children were injured, two
possibly fatally, when a tree
stump dynamited by contractors
crashed through the roof of a
country school at Kelly's Bridge,
near here today.

County officials said 22 sticks of
dynamite had been placed beneath
the stump at a point 125 yards
from the school. When it was ex-
ploded a portion of the stump
weighing about 600 pounds went in-
to the air and broke through the
roof of the building.

The stump fell into an aisle in
the center of the school room and
on through the floor. Officials said
several children would have been
killed had it fallen onto the school
decks. The school housed 23 pupils
at the time ranging in age from 3
to 17 years.

SCHOOL CHILD SAID
KICKED TO DEATH

BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 13.—A
charge that an 8-year-old Boston
school girl was beaten and kicked
so severely by two boys in a
cloak room that she died is under
investigation by Chairman Joseph
J. Hurley of the school commit-
tee.

Chairman Hurley said yesterday
George Carlson, through counsel,
had charged that his daughter
Dorothea had died four days after
she had been kicked and beaten
in the school. According to Carl-
son's counsel, Elizabeth, sister
of Dorothea, and a boy student in
the same class told of seeing two
boys throw the child to the floor
and kick her.

Elizabeth also said the act of
the boys was in retaliation for
having reported by Dorothea for talk-
ing during the teacher's absence
from the class room.

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