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ords. Then, when somebody out in the country wants to know about some doubtful character, he sends in his fingerprints and back IMMEDIATELY, if the man has a criminal record, comes the whole story on him.

The system is of wonderful assistance in catching crooks. It is an example of what government can do WELL when it sticks to the proper functions of government.

ANOTHER interesting statement: Sixty thousand unidentified persons die in the United States and Canada EVERY YEAR!

If we had universal fingerprint records, these unidentified dead could be identified and much useless and agonizing uncertainty avoided.

MOST people object to the idea of being fingerprinted, because they associate fingerprinting with the idea of criminal suspicion.

But consider such a case as this: A man with a dependent family and a life insurance policy is killed accidentally in a strange city, with no means of identification—just one of the annual 60,000. Because proof of his death can't be established, his wife can't get his life insurance money when she needs it worst.

Civil fingerprinting would make possible positive proof of death.

IT WILL be a long time before EVERYBODY in this country is fingerprinted and catalogued, and there will be a lot of objection to the idea, which smacks rather strongly of European methods of police supervision of the individual citizen. Such methods are distasteful in this country. But the idea has its good points.

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Oddities Gleaned From Day's News

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"Don'ts" For Bliss
 HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 5.—(AP)—Myrna Loy, who isn't married—has this theory for wedded bliss: "Don't worry about that blonde who dazes your husband."

"Don't leave bedroom slippers where he will stumble over them."

"Don't lunch with him unless he asks you."

"Don't criticize his political or baseball opinions."

"Don't mention mother-in-law—unless he starts it."

Liberal Creditor
 SCOTTSDALE, Neb., Feb. 5.—(AP)—Pete Knight, city park board member, was pleased when he received a statement from a finance company. The statement said his next automobile payment would be due February 30. "It'll be a pleasure," Knight declared.

ADOLPH'S OBSERVATIONS

One morning as I was walking down to the office, a lady came rushing out of her home and asked me if I would come in the house a minute and help her.

She sure was in a fix, as her little boy had gotten his head into the enameled rice cooker and couldn't get loose from the darn thing. I worked with him for half an hour and the only thing we accomplished was to get it turned around so the handle stuck out in back.

I finally suggested to the woman that she better take him to a sheet metal shop and they no doubt could get it off, to which she answered, "Yes, I guess they can cut it all right, but how in the devil am I going to get another rice cooker?"

OSC-VO HOOP GAME SET FOR SATURDAY

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—The battle for second place in the coast conference, northern division basketball race will hold the spotlight on Oregon State college and University of Oregon renews their feud here Saturday night.

The big Webbeits won a stizzling 29 to 27 victory in the first encounter of the teams.

Oregon and Oregon State have lost four conference games, but the Beavers now are in second place by virtue of more games won.

CHAUFFEUR EXAMS DATED IN ROSEBURG

Glenn Brown, examiner of operators and chauffeurs, will be in Roseburg Tuesday, February 11, for the purpose of examining applicants for license to drive motor vehicles. Examinations will be held only one day at this time, due to the fact that Wednesday is a holiday. He will make his headquarters at the courthouse.



HIGH SCHOOL TRAGEDY

By MAXINE CANTY

SYNOPSIS

Julie Martin, at 17, becomes an "inside" observer of the police investigation of the murder of her former French teacher, the pretty Constance ("Connie") Sinclair, who had been shot dead in her apartment by a party thus far unknown. Julie is on the "inside" because after school hours she is office assistant to Principal Perkins and the latter has detailed her as stenographer for Police Inspector O'Brien, who is busy examining suspects and others. Among those questioned, or wanted for questioning, are Julie herself and her boy friend, Dicky Ward, who was with her when she returned a pen to "Connie" a few hours before the tragedy; Mrs. Sardon, manager of the apartment house in which "Connie" was killed; Principal Perkins; Melvin Wright, the school's "problem boy"; Hym, a Filipino janitor, who had been discharged for insolence since her death; Bruce Lloyd, her former fiancé, who refuses to say where he was on the murder night; and George Carrington, also reported to be a former suitor, who is now married. The latter seems to have a perfect alibi for the fatal night but he admits to the police that his wife has been molesting since that evening. Julie's father has become counsel for Lloyd. The authorities are anxious to find Mrs. Carrington. Meanwhile Inspector O'Brien urges Julie to keep her eyes and ears open but her mouth shut tight. After a conference with Principal Perkins in the latter's office, the inspector invites Julie to ride to her home with him. "I want to see your father," he says in the presence of the principal.

CHAPTER VIII

All the time I was putting on my hat I could feel Mr. Perkins looking at me. I think he suspected I was working for the inspector, but maybe it was my own guilty conscience. Anyway, I forgot about it on the way home as I was so excited over driving there with an officer.

I questioned Perkins rather thoroughly, but your tip on the book hasn't revealed much so far. He admits quite freely that he used to call on Miss Sinclair. He says that they had many interests in common, particularly in the way of books. He volunteered that as a matter of fact she had suggested that he read this book you saw, and that he supposed when she had brought it down to give to him.

"I pointed out that you and the teachers had seen it at her apartment the afternoon of the murder."

"What did he say then?"

"He frowned and he shook his head and said he was as puzzled as I." He stuck to his story that he found it at the school."

"Do you think that—that he was well—fond of Miss Sinclair?" I asked the question hesitatingly.

The inspector smiled at me. "Trying to get a romance out of it, little Julie? No, I don't think there was any romantic high school love affair. He seemed to feel quite casual about it. Just naturally distressed and pained at such a thing happening in his institution and to a person he liked."

I thought the inspector was hedging a little. No doubt he was not ready to trust me entirely yet. But his next remark indicated otherwise.

"Now, Miss Julie, I suggested this morning that you might be able to help me. I don't mean for you to go out with a magnifying glass and track down the criminal. I just mean that I have found out pretty name and pretty discreet thus far. It occurs to me that high school is boiling with excitement and shock over this crime; a public high school is a good cross-section of a town, that is, all classes are represented. Probably Miss Sinclair had some very important relationship that most there, I think that it is a good place to have a representative."

"Yes, sir."

"People, even when they are completely innocent, are cagy with the police. You are just a kid, someone whom they all take for granted. I believe that with a level head and some power of observation, you might pick up a little information now and then. Would you like to do it?"

"Oh, yes, inspector," I breathed.

O'Brien was pleased. He flashed a real Irish smile. "Very well," he laughed, "let's say that Sherlock Holmes O'Brien has acquired a charming Miss Watson!"

After the ride with the inspector, I had a lot to think about that night and the next day. I really felt that I was entering a new era of my life, and I was truly grown up, and that perhaps I could impress the family with the fact, now that an important person like the inspector regarded me so highly. I could hardly believe that I was in my right mind, so absolutely overwhelmed was I by the idea of working on the murder case. Believe me, though I realize my duty and responsibility, I was terribly, terribly hard not to tell Dicky when I was quivering all over inside with it. I knew the first duty of anyone in my position was to be self-contained.

So I tried to go about studying as usual and reciting in classes. Once or twice I must have made funny answers for the teachers looked at me sort of queerly and the kids grinned.

I was preoccupied, of course. I had decided that besides keeping my eyes and ears open, I should also try to find out where I had seen Mrs. Sardon's handwriting. That strange sort of engraving haunted me; I was not satisfied that it was somewhat common as the inspector said, for I could see it on that same pale green background. She must use a very fine, steel pen, I mused, and write very slowly. It somehow did not fit into her personality very well.

I had seen her only that once when Dicky and I called on Miss Sinclair. As the Italian woman popped out of her door to watch us go upstairs, I got a pretty good look at her. She was not fat as many Italians are, but rather large, tall, deep-breasted, well-built. Her face was dark, without being swarthy with full lips and great brown eyes. She was wearing a wine-red wool dress that fitted her figure quite closely. I suppose one would say she was striking rather than beautiful. Dicky thought her good-looking, and I knew there were others who said she looked so too. She frightened me that day, coming out so suddenly, and I never could like her.

It may have been the expression on her face that I did not like. She seemed sullen, unsimiling, suspicious. Her knowing so much about so many people after-

U. S. POLITICAL OBSERVATIONS

By BYRON PRICE
 (Chief of Bureau, The Associated Press, Washington.)

If outward appearances alone were considered, it certainly would be appropriate to conclude that the long-predicted realignment of political parties was just around the corner.

The utterances of public men are drawing a more distinct line between the conservative and liberal schools of political thought, and this line runs directly through both major parties, not between them.

Mr. Roosevelt and his followers have committed themselves to policies which they hold to be in the interest of "the common people," and which are thoroughly repugnant to the other wing of the democratic party.

The break is so distinct that Mr. Roosevelt himself speaks of those who oppose him as "the powers of greed," and such eminent figures as Alfred E. Smith reply that the Roosevelt wing is bent on "communism."

Among the republicans Mr. Borah charges that "selfish and selfish interests" are seeking to control the party, and the wing about which he is talking retorts with charge of "Borah radicalism."

It would be the easiest thing in the world, if only surface indications were trusted, to decide that both parties were breaking squarely in two, and that the respective conservatives and liberal segments of each would unite to form two new parties, conservative and liberal.

Concessions Seen
 As a matter of fact, however, few practical politicians expect any such development.

For one thing, the public statements of public men frequently go a great deal further than the same men are likely to go when faced with the actual possibilities of party disruption.

Almost all political circles fully expect that both Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Borah will make certain gestures toward the rightist groups before the campaign gets completely under way. On the other hand, it is common knowledge that both conservative democrats and conservative republicans are willing to make concessions to the leftists.

Not that any one looks for real harmony in either camp. Both party high commands appear reconciled to the prospect of large-scale bolting among various groups of voters. But that is quite a different thing from complete party realignment.

After all, the pull of party is very strong. It was so strong among the democrats in the 90's that, in spite of the conservative bolt from Bryan, the party went right on. In fact, by 1904, when Alton B. Parker was the nominee, it had organized on lines so different that it appeared more conservative than the G. O. P.

The same pull was so strong among the republicans in the earlier decades of this century that the Theodore Roosevelt liberal bolt in 1912 did not interfere with a reunion eight years later, leading to a dozen years of republican rule.

Premature Talk
 Of course every year makes its own political precedents, yet it is difficult for political old-timers to see how either great party can be expected to give up its continuing identity in 1936.

It is hard for them to visualize a situation where Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Borah would be in the same party, and Mr. Smith and Mr. Hoover, for instance, in the other.

In fact there is visible evidence to the contrary. Mr. Borah is attacking Mr. Roosevelt, and Mr. Smith says he expects to die "a democrat." Presumably that means that even if he "takes a walk" with the republicans this year, he means to come back later to his empty chair at the democratic fireside.

The more physical and mechanical difficulties of organizing a new party are far greater than any one would suppose until he has pursued the ramifications of party alignment down into the wards and townships.

Some members of the Liberty league, though a year ago that a truly "conservative" party, recruited from both old parties, could be organized in 1936 to oppose Mr. Roosevelt's reelection. They seldom mention such a possibility now. It has been a dream of the farmer-laborites for years to organize on a national basis as a truly "liberal" party, but not much has come of it.

During all this time there has been much premature talk about burying the republican and democratic parties. So far as can be learned at this writing, neither has made any appointment with the coroner.

OREGON EVENTS FLASHED FROM WIRE SERVICE

Squaw, 104, Prefers Teepee to Log House During Winter Spell

FORT HALL, Idaho, Feb. 5.—(AP)—If it comes to a choice between a teepee and a nice warm log house, Timbeah will take wigwam every time.

This despite the white haired Indian woman's 104 years.

Timbeah was once a British subject. When the Hudson's Bay Fur company established old Fort Hall on the banks of the Snake river, she was six years old.

The aged woman keeps house in her teepee near the log home of a daughter, refusing to take shelter in the more substantial structure even in the coldest weather.

The teepee is quite a social center. Elderly Indians drop in during idle hours to chat with Timbeah. They sit around the fire in the wigwam and drink tea or coffee and discuss reservation news.

MILTON-FREEWATER, Feb. 4—Minimum price-fixing by the board of directors won the endorsement of the Blue Mountain Prune Growers co-operative, members of which met in session here.

PENDLETON, Feb. 4—The First National Bank of Portland purchased from the city \$13,000 of sewer bonds paying 3½ per cent with a discount of \$5 per thousand. They are 30-year bonds, redeemable on any interest bearing date after 10 years.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—The man who was fatally injured in a traffic accident early Monday was identified as Edward Lightfoot, 55, miner who came here from the Cottage Grove area for treatment, Deputy Coroner Snook announced.

Benny Dotson, former pugilist, was charged with involuntary manslaughter in connection with the case.

ASTORIA, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—The Columbia river seiners' union will ask legislative abolition of limits on the extent of 150 feet in length and with more than one weo, officials of the union said.

The move would be a counter motion to action taken by the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective association in asking the legislature to bar fish traps and seines from Oregon waters.

HILLSBORO, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—Oregon's major business constitutes wealth from farms, with lumbering and tourist travel second and third, F. L. Ballard of the Oregon State extension department told the Washington county agricultural conference.

He said development of fruits and vegetables for processing constitutes one of the major steps contemplated by farmers of this state.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—Bean pickers in 1936 will receive 85 cents a hundred pounds—the same scale that has been in effect for three years, the state welfare commission decided at a session here.

MILTON, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—Maurice Cornfield of the Cornfield Co., St. Louis, Mo., announced intentions of establishing a prune packing plant here.

Modesty At Last Gets "Break" In Fashion Parade

By ADELAIDE KERR
 (Associated Press Foreign Staff)

PARIS, Feb. 5.—(AP)—Modesty as decreed as one of the first commandments in summer style today at the 1936 fashion openings.

Long, showing no reason why the shoulders or back should be uncovered to give a smart effect to evening attire, displayed gowns whose décolletés were far from low cut. Some models were even draped to the throat.

Other designers generally frowned on nude evening décolletés. Though some bare backs were seen, the fronts were cut fairly high, while the high neck prevailed almost universally in day frocks.

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THURSDAY, FEB. 6
Morning Hours
 6:45—Early Birds Concert.
 7:00—Alarm Clock Club.
 7:30—News-Review on the Air.
 7:45—Alarm Clock Club (cont'd.)
 8:30—Devotional.
 8:45—Sacred Music.
 9:00—Louis Katzman's Orchestra Program.
 9:30—"Album of Music."
 10:00—Woman's Exchange.
 11:00—Tango Time.
 11:30—Modern Rhythm.
Afternoon Hours
 12:15—News-Review News Broadcast.
 12:30—Roseburg Motor Co. "Varieties."
 1:00—Sons Souss Turkey Show.
 1:15—"Friendship Circle."
 2:00—"From the Emerald Isle."
 2:15—Hotel Valley's "Familiar Melodies."
 2:30—Jesse Crawford Program.
 3:00—"Vanity Fair and World Bookman."
 3:15—Southern Serenade.
 3:30—Story Land.
 4:00—"The Editor Views the News."
 4:15—"The Sandwich Shop in Fun and Frolic."
 4:30—Musical Reveries.
 5:15—Del Rey "Entertainers."
 5:30—Famous Voices.
 5:45—Sign Off.

FRIDAY, FEB. 7
Morning Hours
 6:45—Early Birds Concert.
 7:00—Alarm Clock Club.
 7:30—Pacific Woodman Life Ins. with Wanda Armour.
 7:35—News-Review on the Air.
 7:45—Alarm Clock Club (Cont'd.)
 8:00—"Good Morning." J. M. Judd.
 8:15—Songs of the Range.
 8:30—"Devotional."
 8:45—At the Organ.
 9:00—Dorsey Orchestra.
 9:30—Music of Another Day.
 10:00—Woman's Exchange.
 10:45—"At the Piano" — Ruth Hoover.
 11:00—Melody Moods.
 11:30—Modern Melodies.
Afternoon Hours
 12:05—Copeo Agriculture Notes.
 12:20—News-Review News Broadcast.
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 1:15—"Friendship Circle."
 2:00—"America's Songs."
 2:15—"Hotel Valley's "Familiar Melodies."
 2:30—Arias from the Operas.
 3:00—"Vanity Fair and World Bookman."
 3:15—Down Memory Lane.
 3:30—Story Land.
 4:00—Editor Views the News.
 4:15—"The Sandwich Shop in Fun and Frolic."
 4:30—"The World in Music."
 5:15—"Tavern's Novelty Fun Fest."
 5:30—Fritz Kreisler Program.
 5:45—Sign Off.

FLOOD CONTROL JOB PROGRESS OPPOSED

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—United States army engineers recommended against any further channel or flood control improvement of the Willamette river between Springfield and Eugene at this time, Colonel Thomas M. Robins, division engineer, announced today.

It does not appear that the general benefits to be expected from the proposed improvement, either in the interest of navigation alone, or in the combined interests of navigation and flood control, are sufficient to warrant the undertaking by the United States at this time," the report stated.

Interested parties may appeal from the report made to the board of engineers for rivers and harbors at Washington. The final date for appeals is March 4.

OREGON REPLIES IN ISSUE OVER RIVER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—(AP)—The use of water from the Walla Walla and its tributaries for more than 50 years without protest on the part of Oregon growers gives Oregon growers permanent rights to the water, an Oregon brief presented to the supreme court held.

I. H. Van Winkle, Oregon attorney general, filed printed arguments yesterday in advance of oral arguments set for February 19. The dispute has been pending in the supreme court since 1931.

The court was asked to rule against Washington and approve the findings of the court's special master, William W. Ray of Salt Lake City, who was appointed in 1933 to take testimony and suggest a settlement.

Oregon and its citizens were diverting only their equitable portion of water, Ray's report held.

ROSEBURG PHOTO STUDIO IS MOVED

The Roseburg Photo studio, owned and operated by Mrs. Minnie Clark, is being moved from the Roseburg National bank building to Mrs. Clark's home at 429 S. Pine street. Mrs. Clark is equipping rooms in her home for studio purposes and will retain all of the photographic equipment now in use in her uptown studio at her new place of business. She intends to specialize, however, in home photography.

Postpones Vacation—Miss Dolma Grobe, clerk at the Style shop, has postponed her vacation for the time being and is continuing her duties at the store. Miss Grobe had previously planned to visit in Lebanon for a week.