

THE WEATHER

Highest temperature yesterday 41
Lowest temperature last night 25
Precipitation for 24 hours .18
Precip. since first of month .9
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1935 27.62
Excess since Sept. 1, 1935 .51
Rain or snow; not so cold.

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HAUPTMANN

Although he still lives, what will be the ultimate fate of the condemned Lindbergh baby killer? There's big news ahead. Read the NEWS-REVIEW for information on developments.

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BRUNO HAUPTMANN'S EXECUTION DELAYED

SALEM WOMAN SLAIN BY DIVORCED HUSBAND

HARRY WALP, UNDER ARREST, ADMITS DEED

Forces Entry Into Home of Ex-Wife's Parents as She Is Alone and Shoots Her.

SALEM, April 1.—(AP)—Within two hours after Mrs. Martha Walp, 29, was shot and killed here last night, District Attorney W. H. Trindle filed first degree murder charges against Harry Walp, 32, her divorced husband, a Eugene resident.

Walp was arrested at a Salem hotel shortly after midnight by city police and Trindle said the suspect had confessed to the crime, giving as his reason that it was "just one of those things."

Walp told police he did not have steady employment but worked at "odd jobs."

The woman was shot at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Walker, when she entered the house alone shortly before 11 o'clock. Her assailant had entered the house previously by forcing his way through the back door, obtained a gun in a bedroom and was in wait for her. No one else was reported at home at the time.

Patrolman Carl Charlton, called to the scene by neighbors, found the body of the woman on the floor of the parlor. He stated it appeared as though the woman had been shot four times in the back. Arresting Officer William New said the gun was found under the pillow of Walp's hotel room. Walp, he said, at first refused to open the door and did so only upon threat of a tear gas attack. Leads as to his whereabouts were obtained by police from a woman companion of the man earlier in the evening.

Ex-Wife Avoided Him
Trindle said Walp arrived here (Continued on page 6)

PORTLAND SUED ON UNREDEEMED SCRIP

PORTLAND, Ore., April 1.—(AP)—One of the depression "cures" attempted by the city and county returned as a recovery headache today.

Lee Collings brought a circuit court suit to collect on \$14,000 of city-county scrip he bought to relieve financial stringency in 1933. A stamp was to be attached to each unit of scrip each time it was transferred and the sale of these stamps was to build up a redemption fund.

The scrip failed to circulate to any great extent, and only about 10 cents on a dollar was collected. Collings asked for the \$5135 held in the scrip redemption fund.

U. S. BUYS OREGON PRUNES FOR RELIEF

SALEM, April 1.—(AP)—Senator Charles L. McNary wired the chamber of commerce here that the federal government had purchased 2500 tons of Oregon prunes at \$4 a ton through the surplus commodities corporation.

"The government will purchase 6,000 additional tons of which 3,500 will be Oregon prunes, or so much as is needed for relief purposes," the telegram stated.

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
CHARLEY HORTON'S father went into the cattle business as soon as he got his ranch in the Poo valley established and after the Modoc war excitement died down.

The cattle business must have been a great business in those days. There was plenty of range (at least it seems that way, as compared with present conditions.) Ranch grass grew everywhere, and cattle would come off this bunch grass range in the fall rolling fat.

And it wasn't the kind of grass fat we know now. (Charley Horton is here being quoted, but his testimony agrees with that of others.) Beef fattened on this bunch grass was almost as hard and firm

Townsend Manager Margett Indicted

Roseburg Dog, Six Months Missing, Found at Eugene

Pat, a Boston bulldog belonging to Attorney and Mrs. R. L. Whipple of Roseburg, is back home after an absence of six months. The dog disappeared during the height of the recent dog poisoning activities here and the family supposed the animal had been one of the victims.

While Mr. and Mrs. Whipple were spending the weekend with their daughter, Lois Ann, a student at University of Oregon, a dog came tearing at them as they crossed the university campus. It was Pat, overjoyed at the reunion. He ran to the Whipple car, took his accustomed place in the rear seat and refused to budge until safe at home.

FRUIT DEALT BLOW BY HEAVY FROST

Peaches, Cherries Believed Heavily Damaged; Pears, Prunes Likely Hurt.

A minimum temperature of 25 degrees, equalled only once before in April, brought heavy frost and material damage to Umpqua valley orchards last night. The amount of damage cannot yet be estimated, according to J. Roland Parker, county agent, but it is safe to assume, he reports, that peaches and cherries have been hard hit, and pears and prunes have probably been affected through the checking of the flow of sap.

Peach trees are in full bloom, while other fruits are in the bloom or bud stage and it is believed that last night's unusually heavy frost brought widespread damage.

The low temperature, a record for April, except for an equally low mark April 3, 1918, was accompanied by clear skies, causing heavy frost and freezing.

PORTLAND, April 1.—(AP)—Springs pulled a real April fool's trick on Portland today and dumped nearly two and one-half inches of snow on the streets in seven hours.

It was an all-time April snowfall record here.

A department store, rising to the occasion, uniformed a Santa Claus and stationed him outside its establishment with a sign nearby:

"Do your Christmas shopping early."

The snowfall was general over northern Oregon and the Columbia river highway was treacherous. A number of motorists and truck drivers skidded off the icy pavement but none suffered injury.

The weather bureau predicted slowly rising temperatures for the state tomorrow and rain.

Continued cold gripped other sections of the state. La Grande, with clear skies, experienced a temperature of 11 above in the morning.

At Grants Pass it was 27 above last night. Tomato and pepper growers estimated a loss of 150,000 plants.

as grain-fed beef.

Practically all the old-timers agree on that point.

IF YOU'VE ever been out in the hills with a saddle and pack outfit and have been so fortunate as to run onto a patch of bunch grass and have seen your horses abandon the rank, lush grass growing along the banks of some creek and go after the sparse, dry-looking tufts of bunch grass you will understand what this desert forage meant to the cattlemen back in the days when it was abundant.

MR. HORTON bought cattle so far away as the Pineville country, and drove them back.

LOWDEN TO BE GOP KEYNOTER, PRESENT PLAN

Ex-Senator Edge Probable Choice for Chairman; Democrats Await F. R.'s Wishes.

By NATHAN ROBERTSON (Associated Press Staff Writer)
WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Former Governor Frank O. Lowden, of Illinois, was tentatively selected today as keynoter for the republican national convention at Cleveland.

Republican leaders were agreed upon the selection but had not obtained Lowden's consent. He was keynoter at last year's grass roots conference, however, and was expected to accept the new invitation.

To balance off Lowden, a mid-westerner, republican leaders were discussing selection of an eastern man as permanent chairman of the convention. Former Ambassador and Senator Walter Edge, of New Jersey, was said by high party officials to be a likely choice.

Both posts will be formally filled at a meeting of the committee on arrangements for the convention April 21 at Cleveland. The convention meets June 5.

Senator Borah decided today to extend his primary campaign for the republican presidential nomination to New Jersey.

Demo Choice Deferred

Democrats have not yet chosen any of their convention officials. National Chairman James A. Fairley said the selections would not be made until President Roosevelt returned from his southern vacation and had a chance to go over the prospects.

The democratic committee on arrangements will meet in Philadelphia late this month to select the convention officials. President Roosevelt's choices are expected to prevail.

High democrats said Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, democratic leader, was a likely selection for permanent chairman, with a western governor the probable choice for keynoter. Senator Wagner (D., N. Y.), may be chosen to nominate President Roosevelt for the second term.

HEARST SCORED IN MCKINLEY MURDER

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Seeking to show that President Theodore Roosevelt charged William Randolph Hearst with responsibility for the assassination of President McKinley, Senator Schwellenbach (D., Wash.), resumed an attack on the publisher before the senate today.

A member of the lobby committee which is engaged in a legal struggle with Hearst over seizure of his telegrams, Schwellenbach read from an address delivered in 1906 by Elihu Root, former secretary of state.

He said Root's speech quoted Hearst editorials as saying assassination is a good thing under certain circumstances. The editorials were represented as having been published prior to McKinley's death. Schwellenbach declared Root spoke with the authorization of President Theodore Roosevelt.

"Can there be any clearer delineation that President Theodore Roosevelt directly charged William Randolph Hearst with the murder and assassination of President McKinley?" the Washington senator asked.

OHIO RIVER FLOODS CITY OF EVANSVILLE

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 1.—(AP)—The Ohio river flood crest reached this city today. A stage of 44.4 feet, approximately ten feet above the flood stage, was recorded.

Approximately 50 city blocks were flooded. Most of the lowland residents had fled to higher ground.

Dogs Kill Lambs and Ewes on Farms East of Oakland

Douglas county faces a claim of \$200, under the reimbursement provision of the dog tax law, for the killing by three dogs of ewes and lambs on the ranches of George Hall and Roy Modley, east of Oakland. The claim alleges that four ewes and 56 lambs were slaughtered by the dogs. Deputy Sheriff Clifford Thornton, after a personal investigation, verified the claim as to 37 animals slain, with the possibility of a higher total.

The killing of the sheep occurred within a period of three days, it is reported. The dogs involved in the depredation were of mixed breed. They belonged to a neighbor of the sheep owners and he killed them when advised of the raid.

SLUGGER LOOTS OSC FRATERNITY HOUSES

CORVALLIS, Ore., April 1.—(AP)—A campus prowler stole \$250 worth of watches and \$98 in cash from four fraternity houses at Oregon State college early today and escaped by slugging Robert A. Lee, student from Glendale, Calif.

The thief was believed the same one who burglarized several University of Oregon fraternities last week.

Lee said he was asleep in his study room when he awakened and noticed the intruder about 4:30 o'clock. He grabbed a heavy flashlight, followed the thief and ordered him out of his car.

Lee broke the flashlight over the burglar's head, but was dazed by a blow in return, suffering a gash which required several stitches but was able to go to classes.

Police obtained a good description of the man who they said was about 21 years of age and traveling in a (Dodge or Plymouth) coupe.

Two years ago a pair of fraternity robbers was captured and sent to the state penitentiary.

The houses burglarized were Sigma Nu, Delta Upsilon and Phi Gamma Delta, where Lee was living.

HARRY A. YDSTIE DIES IN PORTLAND

Word was received here today of the death Monday at Portland of Harry A. Ydstie, 48, formerly train dispatcher for the Southern Pacific company here. Funeral services will be held at Portland tomorrow.

FROM THE HEADLINES

By Deacon Richmond
"German Voters Approve Hitler" In the days before the ballot had given folks a VOICE, all matters of the government were left to royal CHOICE.

The king just simply stated the things he wanted DONE and didn't ask opinions of hardly ANYONE, but now they have the ballot in almost every LAND and, in government matters, the people take a HAND.

They're asked to mark their ballots with a "yes" or "no" and then the people will decide the way that things shall GO.

But when they vote in Germany, as they did the other DAY, they systematize the ballot in a most efficient WAY; they either vote for Hitler, or their ballot isn't COUNTED, so it isn't any wonder that the vote for Hitler MOUNTED.

There's room for some improvement in the good old U. S. A., and we can see politicians for all they do and SAY but, when we have elections, we can vote on either SIDE; though often we're disgusted, when we see the matter TRIED. So we ought to be most thankful for the kindness of our PATES and be most loyal citizens of our own UNITED STATES.

THREE COUNTS PREFERRED BY HOUSE GROUP

Two Alleged Grand Larceny, 3rd Taking Earnings of Prostitute; Ouster as Cop Claimed.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—A written statement by Dr. F. E. Townsend that "it looks to me as if there might be millions in it" was submitted today to the house committee investigating the Townsend plan.

The statement was made in a letter to Robert E. Clements, resigned national secretary and co-founder of the movement. In the letter Dr. Townsend urged sending out organizers to "obtain membership wholesale."

James R. Sullivan, the committee's counsel commented that the reason Dr. Townsend did not want to replace Edward J. Margett, San Francisco area manager, as suggested by Clements, "was because Margett was one of the best producers."

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Three indictments returned against Edward J. Margett, San Francisco area manager of the Townsend, old age pension organization, were submitted to the house investigating committee today by James R. Sullivan, its counsel.

Sullivan said two indictments charged grand larceny and the other, in King county, Washington, charged him with "accepting the earnings of a common prostitute."

Robert E. Clements, resigned national secretary, said he had no knowledge of the nature of the indictments, but conceded, under questioning, they probably were the basis of complaints he had received about Margett.

Representatives Tolan (D., Calif.), Collins (R., Calif.), and Hoffman (R., Mich.), voted against admission of the indictments.

Chairman Bell (D., Mo.), and Representatives Lucas (D., Ill.), (Continued on page 6)

G. A. R. AFFILIATES TO MEET IN JUNE

EUGENE, Ore., April 1.—(AP)—The annual encampment of societies affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Medford June 16, 17, 18, it was announced here today by Frederick K. Davis, Eugene, commander of the Sons of Union Veterans.

Other groups participating are Daughters of Union Veterans, Women's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., and the auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans.

No regular encampment of the Grand Army will be held this year, but it is expected many of the old soldiers will attend the encampment of the affiliated societies at Medford.

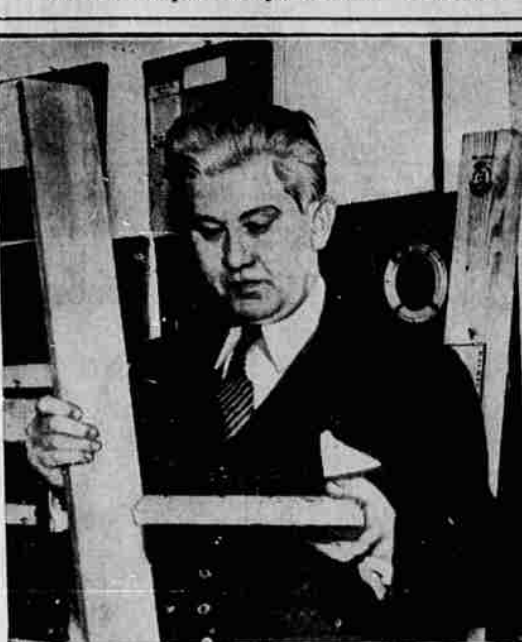
BIDS DATED FOR OVERHEAD AT GREEN

Bids are to be opened April 16 and 17 on highway projects which include the overhead crossing at Green Station. It was announced today at Portland. The highway commission has prepared plans for an overhead structure, preparatory to relocating the highway between Shade Point and Kelley's Corner. Grade widening and surfacing of an eight mile stretch of the Umpqua highway east from Reedsport is also to be included in the projects for April, it is stated.

METHODIST MERGER PREDICTED BY LOWE

PORTLAND, Ore., April 1.—(AP)—Bishop Titus Lowe predicted that in a few years the Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Episcopal South, and the Methodist Protestant churches would unite under the name "Methodist Union." He made the prediction to a church audience.

Wood Expert Says Bruno "Framed"



After comparison of the flooring of the attic in Bruno Richard Hauptmann's home with the lumber used in making the kidnap ladder, Arch Loney, above, wood expert, told Gov. Harold G. Hoffman that Hauptmann had been "framed" in the Lindbergh case. His statement precipitated an open clash between Governor Hoffman and Attorney General David T. Wilentz when the latter refused to agree to another reprieve to allow further study of the ladder by Loney.

Hauptmann's "Farewell" Letter to Governor Reiterates Innocence Claim, Scores Wilentz and Condon

TRENTON, N. J., April 1.—(AP)—An unidentified personage again was injected into the Bruno Richard Hauptmann case today by the "farewell" letter of the condemned man to Governor Harold G. Hoffman.

"All what I can do, is to give a description of the friend of Mr. Fisch, whom I saw the first time when I met Mr. Fisch. (Description I have already given, also all the circumstances)." he wrote the governor yesterday, a few hours before his scheduled execution was delayed.

The convicted Lindbergh killer made no reference to this man at his trial. Hauptmann in his trial sought to show that Fisch, his one time partner in a fur business, had left the ransom money in a box in his Bronx home, and that Hauptmann did not know what it was.

The first met Fisch, he said, at Hunter's Island, and later at the home of Greta Henckel on 127th street in New York.

C. Lloyd Fisher, one of his attorneys, explained that Hauptmann had told him of meeting a friend of Lador Fisch's at the New York public library. Hauptmann said he gave the man, who professed to be an employment agent, two applications for jobs and that he believed that, in this way, his handwriting was copied on the ransom notes.

State police officials said they knew of no description of the man, and knew of no formal statement in which Hauptmann mentioned him.

Anthony M. Hauck, Jr., Hunterdon county prosecutor, recalled that after Hauptmann's conviction in Flemington, he and Attorney General David T. Wilentz sent a message to Hauptmann asking him if he had anything to say.

Hauck said a guard quoted Hauptmann saying: "I know who did it. He was a friend of Fisch, but I don't remember his name."

The letter, copies of which were released from the governor's office two hours after Hauptmann got his stay of execution, asked why Dr. John F. Condon, the "Jafse" of the ransom negotiations, "hide so many things he know" and he criticized the "gentlemen of the prosecution" for not producing direct evidence such as fingerprints.

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SELASSIE LEADS ARMY TO DEFEAT

ROME, April 1.—(AP)—Italy's northern army smashed through to its first major victory over the troops of Haile Selassie led by the emperor himself—Marshall Badoglio reported today in an official communique.

Badoglio announced that 7,000 Ethiopians were killed and that the Italian forces had suffered more than 1,000 casualties.

The fascist commander-in-chief said the Ethiopian king of kings fought personally in the battle yesterday in the Lake Ashangi sector, 30 miles south of the former principal Italian front lines at Amba Alaj.

GRAND JURY'S WENDEL QUIZ STILLS CHAIR

Warden of Prison Sets New Death Date of Friday, April 3, or Later.

Wendel Repudiates Alleged "Confession," Declaring He Was Compelled to Talk by Torture.

By DALE HARRISON (Copyright, 1936, by the Associated Press)

TRENTON, N. J., April 1.—Col. Mark O. Kimberling said today he would delay the execution of Bruno Hauptmann to the full extent of his authority as long as any legal actions that might affect Hauptmann's status in the Lindbergh baby murder case were pending.

The warden, who halted the execution last night just at the hour Hauptmann was scheduled to die, set a new death date of Friday night at 8, but made it contingent upon developments, with an especial eye toward the "runaway" Mercer county grand jury which is still undecided whether to indict another man, Paul M. Wendel, for the same crime.

Kimberling said the delay was ordered in the expectation that the jury might reach a decision in its investigation of the case of Wendel.

Kimberling reiterated his statement that an indictment of Wendel, who has repudiated three "confessions" to the crime, would not in itself be sufficient to prevent execution this week.

Torture Charge Made

An associate in the defense of Wendel said today the department of justice had started an investigation of the case with regard to Wendel's claim that he was kidnapped in New York, tortured and named against his will, before he made "confessions" to the Lindbergh kidnaping.

Persons close to Attorney General David T. Wilentz said the attorney general was confident the grand jury would not find facts warranting an indictment against Wendel.

John Kafes, Wendel's attorney, announced today that Wendel had asked the grand jury for permission to appear before it today, and that he believed he could show the alleged "confessions" were untrue, and that there had been "a conspiracy to obstruct justice."

Kafes said Wendel was ready to waive immunity.

Should an indictment be returned, Kimberling said, a court order or a decision from some competent authority would probably be necessary to carry the execution beyond this week.

The order of execution, signed by Supreme Court Justice Thomas W. Treachard, fixes the date as "the week of March 30."

Kimberling was not certain whether the week ends legally at Saturday midnight or Sunday at (Continued on page 6)

UTILITY DISTRICT PLAN DISAPPROVED

Linn County Project Holds Costly Hazards, Oregon Commission Finds.

SALEM, Ore., April 1.—(AP)—The state hydroelectric commission today advised the sponsors of the proposed Linn county people's utility district that an attempt to build and operate a competing power utility would "be a hazardous undertaking."

The report of the commission was made following a series of hearings held in Linn county several months ago on creation of a utility district. Under the law the commission must act upon the matter before further moves are made.

While the report did not specifically deny the application, it did set out the difficulty in the construction and operation of a competing utility within the Linn county area. However, the commission stated, the matter rests with the people for final action by election should they desire, but that "the commission does not recommend this project at this time."

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BYLLESBY REPORTS ON COPCO PAYMENT

SALEM, April 1.—(AP)—The Byllesby Engineering and Management corporation, Chicago, received \$54,741 in engineering and supervision payments from the California Oregon Power company and Mountain States Power company during 1935, a report filed with the state utilities commissioner revealed.

Of this amount \$35,966 was paid by the Copco company and \$18,775 by the Mountain States Power company.

The Byllesby company provides management and engineering services for subsidiaries of the Standard Gas and Electric company.

During the year the Copco company acquired \$11,000 of common stock in the Byllesby corporation while the Mountain States company acquired \$10,000 of this stock, the report showed.

ZIMMERMAN RAPS 2 MAJOR PARTIES

SALEM, April 1.—(AP)—Senator Peter Zimmerman, an independent candidate for governor two years ago, attacked both the major parties in an address before the newly formed Farmer-Labor organization here last night.

While disclaiming any wish to run for office again, he said he "was willing to tell the truth to the people of the state if no one else can be found to tell it."

The senator charged "the republican party not worth saving. The quicker it sinks the better." He said the outlook for the democratic organization was exceedingly disheartening.

Commenting on the Townsend pension plan the Yamhill county senator said that taking money from one class and giving it to another would not solve the country's distress, stating "production for use with profits banned" was the "way out" of the country's "economic morass."

The new farmer-labor organization was declared by its leaders not a political party, but emphasized their desire to encourage a "movement toward independent political action."