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THE WEATHER
Oregon: unsettled with rain north and west portions tonight and Tuesday, continued mild. Strong southerly winds, at times gales on the coast.

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## LARGE CROWD HEARS TALK ON HOOVER

### Miss Maude Aldrich Discusses Campaign Issues at Saturday Meeting

### PROHIBITION AID TO U. S. SHE SAYS

### Speaker Declares America Must Guard Against Lowering Doors to Liquor, Immigration

One of the most enthusiastic of Hoover-for-president and Curtis-for-vice president groups of citizens ever assembled in La Grande met Saturday night in the Sacajawea Inn to hear Miss Maude Aldrich, who, in a forceful and straight-forward manner, addressed the audience of men and women, republicans and democrats on "Herbert Hoover."

J. H. Peare, La Grande, chairman of the Union county republican central committee, introduced Miss Aldrich as a woman fully qualified to speak on the subject of "Herbert Hoover," in view of her work as national lecturer for the child welfare service. Her work and the opinions she has made from her nine years in such service give her a viewpoint which is humanitarian in its major aspects in much the same way that Hoover is humanitarian in his ideas and policies, Mr. Peare said.

Miss Aldrich sketched Mr. Hoover's career with special emphasis on his work in Belgium and the other European nations during the world war.

**Discusses Campaign Issues**

At the meeting 59 women voluntarily joined the ranks of the club which brings the membership in La Grande to about 300 and the total membership in the county to about 500.

Miss Aldrich discussed the presidential campaign at length, bringing into the discussion the vital issues of the campaign, including immigration, tariff, prohibition and farm relief.

Believing the prohibition question to be of vital concern in the campaign, Miss Aldrich devoted a large share of the discussion to it.

She made an impassioned appeal to the citizens of the county not to place prohibition enforcement in the hands of a candidate who says prohibition cannot be enforced.

In spite of certain bodies in prohibition enforcement, the country is in an infinitely better condition than it was before the 18th amendment went into effect, she said, and quoted Henry Ford, who has expressed himself as an upholder of prohibition because of the edifying effect it has had upon the country as a whole.

**Points to Prosperity**

"American under prohibition has prospered," the speaker said. She pointed out as illustrative of the unsurpassed welfare of the nation the fact that of the 22 million automobiles owned in the world 18 million are the property of Americans.

She argued against local option, stating that several states have had local option and that it has been found inadequate.

Concerning the immigration

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## *BAND RESUMES REHEARSALS; PLAN CONCERT*

The La Grande band will resume rehearsals at the Elks' club tomorrow evening in preparation for a series of winter concerts, according to Andrew Laney, director. "We are going to endeavor to make these winter concerts more attractive than at any previous time," Mr. Laney said today. "We have some very fine numbers, never played before in La Grande, some of them just recently published for band."

Greater stress is placed on the winter concerts for the reason that the band has more opportunity to properly prepare the concerts and play them under more favorable conditions. Some of the newer publications secured are: "Finlandia" by Jean Sibelius, "Two Sketches from the Orient" by Cecil Burleigh, and "In a Persian Market" by Ketel Bey.

**WEATHER TODAY**
7:30 a. m.—54 above.
Minimum: 52 above.
Condition: clear.

**WEATHER YESTERDAY**
Maximum: 71, minimum 51 above.
Condition: cloudy.

**WEATHER OCT. 8, 1927**
Maximum 67, minimum 31 above.
Condition: clear.

## La Grande High Wins First Game Of Season, 8 - 0

### Ability to Deliver in the Pinches Give Tigers Victory Over Wallowa Eleven Saturday

The La Grande High school football team opened its fall season here Saturday afternoon, driving the Wallowa Braves to an 8 to 0 defeat. The game was close and hard-fought, with Wallowa making more yardage between the 20-yard lines. However, in the pinches La Grande delivered and Wallowa failed.

The Tigers' touchdown came as a result of a break, coupled with enough punch to score from the seven-yard line on three plunges. In the last period, frantically attempting to score, Wallowa battered its way 60 yards down the field to a first down on the seven-yard line. With four downs over the ball rested about a yard short of the line and La Grande took possession, driving it out three yards before the gun ended the game.

**Tigers Score Safety**

The difference between the two teams may be summed up in the fact that La Grande had more punch in the pinches.

The first counter, a safety, came early in the second quarter. La Grande, with Keffer, Faus and Evans as spearheads of the attack, carried the ball from La Grande's 31-yard line to Wallowa's 20-yard line, losing it on downs. Wallowa gained only five yards on a punt, but a fumble put the oval back another five. From the 30-yard line, Roe took a pass but fumbled on the 5-yard marker. La Grande was penalized 15 yards and Wallowa fumbled, La Grande scoring a first down on the 11-yard line before the first quarter ended.

After a two-yard gain, Keffer broke through for five, but here the Wallowa line held and the Braves took the ball on downs on their 1-yard line. Attempting to kick behind the line, the Wallowa fullback fumbled and recovered but Roe and Newlin tackled him before he could get on neutral territory. Following that Wallowa marched 60 yards down the field, only to have Faus intercept a pass on the five-yard line before the first half came to a close.

**Frequent Fumbling**

In checking up yardage, Wallowa made 14 first downs, two from penalties, and La Grande only eight, one from a penalty. However, La Grande resorted more to a kicking game than their opponents, who used forward passes and reverse end runs to gain most of their yardage. As for individual runs, Keffer zipped off one 13-

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## Fallows to Go On Trial Here Tomorrow Morn

Tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock the case of the State of Oregon vs. Eddie Fallows, will begin in circuit court. Fallows is to be tried on a charge of first degree murder in connection with the death of George Parry, of La Grande. Mr. Parry, a barber, was shot and killed Aug. 8, 1928. Carl Helm, Union county district attorney, is prosecutor and Green and Hess, La Grande, are attorneys for the defendant.

The trial of civil cases in the October term of court is expected to end tonight with the close of the case of L. Denham, admr. of the estate of Hodgkins, dec. vs. Frank L. Baker. Mr. Denham is suing Mr. Baker for $200 claiming Baker had converted and disposed of certain personal property belonging to Mr. Hodgins before he died.

The Union county juries during the past week have been conservative about allowing damages in several of the civil cases which were tried. In the case of Jennings & Shumaate vs. Fred Rohr, the plaintiffs asking for the sum of $129 alleged due on an automobile purchased from them by Fred Rohr, the verdict was in favor of the defendant. In a counter claim for damages filed in the same action by Rohr who asked the sum of $500, he was awarded $5.

In the case of J. A. Snyder vs. W. S. Ladd $5000 damages was asked and $50 was awarded.

The cases which have been set for trial in the October term of court, following the case of the State vs. Fallows are:

Tuesday, Oct. 11, at 9 a. m., state of Oregon vs. Holley and Kohler; Tuesday, Oct. 16, at 9 a. m., National Tank Co., vs. Julius Fisher. Court is being held in the I. O. O. F. temple.

## *Diphtheria Case Quarantine Lifted*

With the lifting of the quarantine for diphtheria at 1801 East Pennsylvania avenue over the weekend there remains only one case of contagious disease in La Grande. Several days ago a home was quarantined because of scarlet fever.

## LEGION HOST GATHERS IN SAN ANTONIO

### National Convention Opens in Texas City Amid Noisy Capering

### GREET PERSHING ON HIS ARRIVAL

### Louisville, Detroit and Miami Seeking 1929 Meet; Dirigible Los Angeles Pays Visit

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 8—(AP)—The rhythm of drums and the blare of bugles resounded through the streets of San Antonio until dawn and showed no signs of abating as delegates and visitors awaited opening of the tenth annual convention of the American Legion here today. Sessions will continue for five days.

The frolicsome spirit of the veterans asserted itself throughout Sunday, but with the arrival of fresh throngs of visitors and delegates, including General John J. Pershing, the horseplay which has marked every legion convention to date suddenly came into its own. The pillow stunt, in which a large number of legionnaires cut holes in pillows and shake the feathers into the street, ushered in a night of carnival such as this city has not known since the old cowboy days.

**Plenty of Noise**

Fire crackers and torpedoes reverberated frequently from all sections of the city. Joyous legionnaires marched up and down the streets, shouting and capering and state delegations bantered each other in the tongue of the A. E. F. Wild cries of "Powder River" proclaimed the arrival of northwestern state delegations.

San Antonio is traversed by a meandering river which twists through the business districts under a number of steel bridges and many of the legionnaires devoted part of their time to walking the high curving arches on either side of the bridges.

"Black Jack" Pershing found more than 50,000 of "his boys" present when he stepped from his train last night and heavy police

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## KIRKWOOD TURNS IN CARD OF 35

### Shoots Local Course One Under Par at Exhibition Here Yesterday

Joe Kirkwood, professional golfer and trick shot artist extraordinary, lived up to all advance notices at the La Grande country club yesterday afternoon when the Australian wizard made the golf ball do everything but talk.

Paired with Jack Benner, he played a foursome with Professionals Arneson and Albert, of Pendleton, and Baker, he and Benner winning. The match ended after 16 holes because of darkness. The first nine holes found Kirkwood carding 35, one below par and within one stroke of the course record. This score was regarded as exceptional inasmuch as Kirkwood was playing on the course for the first time in his life.

Following the first nine holes Kirkwood gave a trick shot dem-

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## Observe Fire Prevention Week In Oregon--Luncheon Program Arranged

Beginning yesterday, the state of Oregon is observing fire prevention week by authority of a proclamation issued by Governor I. L. Patterson.

At the members forum of the chamber of commerce tomorrow at noon in the La Grande hotel, two speakers will address the luncheon. Gerald Tucker, U. S. forest service, will speak in connection with fire prevention week, and R. S. Hamilton, of the Oregon state chamber of commerce, will talk on "Land Settlement." A musical program has also been arranged.

The proclamation follows:

"The yearly drain upon the Nation's economic resources through the medium of fire continues appalling, and the State of Oregon shares in this great loss. While I am pleased to note that through intensive education and co-operative effort a substantial reduction of Oregon's losses was achieved in 1927 as compared to those of previous years, nevertheless, many of our communities have suffered serious conflagrations during the past year and the larger portion of this tremendous waste is charged to carelessness. For the purpose of awakening the people to the need of the exercise of greater care in the prevention of fire and protection and conservation of human lives and valuable properties, the week of October 7th to 13th has been set aside as National Fire Prevention Week.

"During this week I particularly urge all civic, commercial and fraternal organizations, all schools, churches and public institutions, the public press and all citizens of the State of Oregon, to give earnest thought and active aid to the humanitarian cause of Fire Prevention and Fire Protection, through appropriate programs and constructive teachings having for their purpose the elimination of fires and fire hazards.

"Now, Therefore, I, I. L. Patterson, Governor of Oregon, by the authority in me vested and in conformity to the proclamation of the President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the week of October 7th to 13th as Fire Prevention Week in Oregon, and I sincerely trust that the people of Oregon will co-operate to the fullest extent in the effort to stamp out this great economic waste.

"In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the State of Oregon to be hereto affixed this 25th day of September, A. D., 1928.

"I. L. PATTERSON, Governor."

## Alleged King Of Chiloquin 'Moon' Ring Faces Trial

### Government Will Attempt to Prove Liquor Operations on Klamath Indian Reservation

MEDFORD, Ore., Oct. 8—(AP)—Ben Mitchell, alleged king of the Chiloquin bootleggers, and six alleged associates in Klamath Indian reservation liquor operations, went on trial in the federal court today, charged with violation of the national prohibition laws.

The government in its opening statement said it would attempt to prove that Mitchell was the leading wholesaler and Jim Sinclair the leading retailer of the Chiloquin area, that Leland Parazoo, Richard (Lefty) Lorry, W. E. (Blacky) Bailey and Carlos Blair were operators of "beer joints" and salesmen of the ring, and that J. W. Hiatt was the driver of the rum car that brought in moonshine from Susanville, Cal., and Elko, Nev.

The government said it would further show that the ring boasted it handled over 50,000 gallons of moonshine on the reservation; and Carlos Blair, a former Indian agent, has told special agents he afforded protection to loads of liquor, and had assisted in securing a shipment that had been hijacked.

The government charges that the gang maintained three "beer joints" in the vicinity of Chiloquin and that they bid their beer supply in the Williamson river. The brew master, assistant District Attorney Francis Marsh told the jury, had fled, and was indicted under the name of "John Doe."

## *HOWARD SMITH IN TWO TALKS HERE SUNDAY*

Three services of particular interest were held in La Grande churches yesterday and another was held at the Island City Community church, all drawing large congregations.

At the Central Church of Christ, two out-of-town speakers occupied the pulpit. In the morning the Rev. Howard Smith, of the American Sunday School union, delivered the address, and in the evening Mrs. Clara G. Eason, Sunday School superintendent of the Churches of Christ in Oregon spoke on "The World's Sunday School Convention."

Then at the Baptist church, Mr. Smith spoke in the evening, delivering another very interesting talk.

Attendance in all churches yesterday was reported as being very encouraging.

At the Lutheran church in the evening the intermediate Luther league gave a "Bride's" program. Katie Keller represented Japan, Eleanore Dahl, Indi, Natalie Eberl, Turkey, Barbara Sittinger, Finland, Helen Hughes, Slovakia, Edna Jensen, America (1865), Juanita Sitzlinger, American Indian, and while the brides marched Emma Warf played a wedding march. Readings were given by Mrs. Fred Gehring, Miss Herrin and Woodrow Wilson Ostland, besides several other musical numbers.

## *Mother Kills Her Children and Self*

CHICAGO, Oct. 8—(AP)—The bodies of Mrs. Clyde Ryker, 35, and her three children were found in their gas filled home in Berwyn west side suburb, this morning. The mother apparently had slain her children and taken her own life by turning on the gas.

## HICKMAN TO HANG; APPEAL NOT UPHELD

### United States Supreme Court Turns Down Californian's Motion

### LAST CHANCE TO LIFE SEEMS LOST

### Jerome Walsh, Slayer-Kidnaper's Attorney, Is Making Every Attempt to Cheat Execution

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8 (AP)—William Edward Hickman, of Los Angeles, Cal., under sentence of death on Oct. 19 for the murder of Marion Parker, a 12-year-old school girl, was today denied an appeal to the supreme court by Justice Sutherland.

Jerome Walsh, of Kansas City, Hickman's lawyer, held a long conference with Justice Sutherland who has charge of cases in the Pacific coast circuit, explaining to him in detail the grounds for asking an appeal. He was unable, however, to convince Mr. Sutherland that there had been a miscarriage of justice. Had Justice Sutherland granted an appeal, Walsh intended to ask for a stay of execution.

**Walsh Still Active**

Walsh said that behad not abandoned hope of getting the case before the supreme court. He will be unable to take it before the court as a whole but he intends to call upon other justices in the hope of finding one who will grant an appeal.

Under the practices of the court it will be necessary for Walsh to explain fully to other justices the refusal of Justice Sutherland and in most instances that itself has been controlling. Those familiar with the procedure were of the impression that Walsh was not likely to find a justice who would give him an appeal after it had been refused him by Justice Sutherland.

**TO WITHHOLD NEWS**

SAN QUENTIN PRISON, Cal., Oct. 8—(AP)—Failure of an appeal to the United States supreme court on behalf of William Edward Hickman, Los Angeles slayer of little Marion Parker, will not be communicated to Hickman until official notification of the denial is received, Warden James B. Holohan said today.

Preparations for the slayer's execution, set for October 19, will be made at once. Invitations to the execution have not yet been issued but hundreds of requests for permission to attend have been received.

## Umatilla Fair Music Is Given By L. H. S. Band

The La Grande High school band with Director W. W. Nusbaum furnished the official music at the Umatilla county fair last Friday and Saturday. The band was well liked, Mr. Nusbaum said. The La Grande band was chosen in preference to other bands partly because it is a high school organization and to offer encouragement to the high schools in other sections of Eastern Oregon by showing them what high school bands can do.

The La Grande band is composed of 34 members. All but four are veteran players having been with the organization last year. It is expected that the band will be better this year because of the previous training. The members meet two times a week, on Monday and Thursday afternoons, for practice.

They made the trip to Hermiston by automobiles. While there they played at the fair and at the Hermiston-Hermiston football game Saturday afternoon.

## *W. C. Alderson Kills Self in Portland*

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 8—(AP)—W. C. Alderson, for many years county superintendent of schools and a candidate for re-election this fall, committed suicide today.

He shot himself and fell across the grave of his daughter in Lincoln Memorial Park cemetery.

## *Radio Board Will Postpone Action*

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8 (AP)—The federal radio commission today postponed until Jan. 31 the order restricting the broadcast of chain programs in cases where the transmitting sets were not at least 400 miles apart.

The original order made the date Nov. 11. The commission said that it was not convinced that the plan was the most practicable to regulate the chain program system.

## GEHRIG STARS

Acme Photo

**Big Babe Ruth hasn't hit a home run yet this year in the world series but his teammate, Lou Gehrig, has made up for his deficiency with three circuit drives. Two of Gehrig's homers came yesterday, figuring strongly in the Yankees' third straight win, 7 to 3.**

## FOURTH GAME OF SERIES HALTED

### Because of Rain, Yankees and Cardinals Are Not Playing Today

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 8 (AP)—The fourth world series game between the St. Louis Cardinals and the New York Yankees was postponed until tomorrow by Judge K. M. Landis, commissioner of baseball, because of rainy weather today.

A hard downpour shortly after 8 a. m. was followed by a drizzle, with overcast skies.

The forecast was for cloudy this afternoon and fair tonight and Tuesday.

Three defeats at the hands of the enemy and the early morning rain meant nothing in the lives of the dyed-in-the-wool baseball fans bent on witnessing a world's series game. As early as 7:30 a. m. about 200 pavilion and bleacher fans were on hand at Sportsman's park, holding paper cartons and newspapers over their heads and hoping for clearing skies.

Some 30 enthusiasts spent the night outside the park in order to be first inside when the gates opened at 8:30. Six small negro boys in the group of bleacher fans entertained with songs and interpretations of the "black bottom" until exhausted. Then they curled up in a large paper carton and went to sleep.

**BREAKING RECORDS**

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 8 (AP)—Any world's series the New York Yankees and their head man, Babe Ruth, participate in is bound to be a record-breaker. The current affair is no exception, with a least a dozen records shattered so far and half a dozen more in prospect, not the least of which would eventuate with another four-straight triumph for the disabled soldiers of Gotham.

Babe Ruth, who has been in more world's series than any other ball player, sets a record every time he scores a run, hits a homer or any other variety of extra base hit, bats in a run, receives a pass or strikes out.

The Daughton and his hitting partner, Lou Gehrig, also have designs on the high individual batting mark for one series. For three games their marks were .428 and .556, respectively, with Ruth especially having a good chance to displace the record of .545 made by Sargeant Hank Gowdy while catching for the Braves in their gallop over the Athletics in 1914.

A record players' pool of well in excess of $400,000, a mark never before reached, seems assured. The "pot" for the world's series per-

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## Cuba Asks U. S. To Repeal Old Protection Pact

HAVANA, Oct. 8—(AP)—Declaring that Cuba has outlived the usefulness of the Platt Amendment, placed in the Cuban constitution almost thirty years ago through an act of the United States congress, President Gerardo Machado intimated that Cuba would welcome its repeal in an address before the United Spanish war veterans convention which opened here today.

The Platt Amendment which was accepted by Cuba on June 12, 1901, as part of her constitution bound Cuba among other things not to incur debts her current revenues will not bear, to lease certain naval stations to the United States and establishing the right of the United States to intervene, if necessary.

## Planes Collide And Both Dive; Life Loss Five

### Pilot One Machine Fights Spectacular Duel With Death in Mid-air But Is Beaten

DETROIT, Oct. 8 (AP)—A spectacular duel with death in which the latter was ultimately victorious climaxed a crash between two airplanes 300 feet in the air here yesterday, which cost five lives.

The crash occurred over the Burns flying field when a plane piloted by Russell Paulger and carrying two passengers, collided with one piloted by Captain Clement W. Brown, of Detroit, who was circling the field with his fiance, Miss Marjorie Yuill, 27, of Vanderbilt, Mich.

**Flames Burn One**

Paulger's plane, in attempting to dive under the other ship, caught on the underpilling and was ripped apart. The plane dropped to the ground and burst into flames, carrying to their deaths, besides the pilot, Allen Sutton, 26, of Detroit, and an unidentified man.

Brown's ship, a small biplane, manufactured by a concern of which he was president, jerked free of the mid-air tangle, with a crippled wing and her underpinning gone.

**Duel With Death**

As the field ground crew with a few spectators looked on, the flier began to spiral, in an effort to straighten the damaged wing by wind pressure and finally succeeded in doing this. After getting the plane on even keel, he swooped down to attempt a landing, made perilous by loss of his lower gear. As the plane neared the earth, the wing folded, and the pilot, banking the plane, again descended. The drooping wing gradually straightened out under the air pressure.

After circling a bit, the second desperate effort at landing was attempted and as the crippled plane dropped slowly earthward it appeared as though the game try would be crowned with success. But when the ship was within 100 feet of the ground the broken wing collapsed and flapped against the lower parts. Out of control, the ship nosed down and ploughed into the earth. Brown and his companion were dead when witnesses arrived at the scene.

## Larry Semon Is Dead Today In Victorville, Cal.

VICTORVILLE, Cal., Oct. 8 (AP)—Larry Semon, motion picture comedian, died here today.

The screen actor first became ill several months ago after staging a long and losing battle against financial ill fortune. A few weeks ago he left his Los Angeles home and came to a ranch here where many film players have recovered their health. He was suffering from a nervous breakdown. A few days ago he contracted double pneumonia and his physicians soon gave up hope that he would survive.

His wife, Dorothy Dwan, screen actress, and her mother, Mrs. Nancy Smith, attended him during his illness.

The business of producing films was said to have led Semon into a program so ambitious that it swamped him financially. Last March he filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, listing liabilities of nearly half a million dollars.

## *Professor Frame Drowned in Sound*

SEATTLE, Oct. 8—(AP)—Swept from a small boat, Hugo C. Frame, professor of business administration at the University of Washington, was drowned in Puget Sound near Point Monroe, Sunday, during a gale that is reported to have damaged scores of small craft.

Three other men, H. V. Reynolds, of Bremerton, J. D. Bryce and D. Pulley, of Gig Harbor, were rescued from their gas boat, which was shipping water rapidly and threatening to sink, by a Sound ferry.

## *Predicts Wisconsin Will Vote for Hoover*

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8—(AP)—After a call upon President Coolidge during which Wisconsin politics were discussed, former Senator Lenroot said today that the reaction in his state to Governor Smith's speech in Milwaukee on prohibition had been unfavorable and that the state would go republican in November.

"Wisconsin is wet, but not as wet as Smith thought," Lenroot said.

**AERONAUTIC EXPERT DIES**

BERLIN, Oct. 8—(AP)—Major Georg von Tschudi, well known aeronautic expert and vice-president of the German Aero club, died today at the age of 66.

## PRISON FIRE FATAL TO 17; MANY INJURED

### Convicts Caught Like Rats in Trap When Dormitory Burns

### DEATH LIST MAY MOUNT, IS BELIEF

### Nearly A Score Burned, Some Probably Fatally; 275 Locked in Ohio Building at Time

JUNCTION CITY, Ohio, Oct. 8—(AP)—Seventeen convicts are believed to have been burned to death while an equal number were injured when fire at one o'clock this morning swept the wooden dormitory at the state owned brick plant near here. There were 275 prisoners locked in the building when the fire broke out.

A check of the prisoners after the fire revealed 20 missing, but of these, officials believe three escaped from custody of the guards during the confusion.

When the ruins had cooled sufficiently to permit a search to be started, officials said they could make out the charred remains of at least 11 bodies. None had been removed, however, before noon.

Twelve of the most seriously injured were taken to the central prison hospital at Columbus. All were expected to recover but some were said to have been burned seriously.

**Prisoners Discover Fire**

The fire was discovered by prisoners Peter O'Day, of Dayton, and Edward Tillotson, of Toledo, according to guards. O'Day and Tillotson had been listening in on the radio and had shut it off about midnight. Shortly afterward, O'Day said, he smelled smoke coming from the south end of the building where the commissary was located. He opened the commissary door and found the room filled with smoke. A moment later there was a burst of flame.

O'Day and Tillotson cried "Fire!" and the alarm was taken up [illegible] echoed through the dormitory where the 275 prisoners lay sleeping.

The confusion that followed was terrible, prisoners said. The great room with its double tier of steel bunks was in semi-darkness. Awakened by the cries, the bewildered prisoners ran about hopelessly, struggling futilely with each other between the rows of bunks, seeking to reach doors and windows that were barred.

**Convict a Hero**

At this juncture, William O'Malley, a prisoner from Cleveland, began his efforts to save the other men that made him probably the hero of the occasion. O'Malley and Tony Vacillo, also of Cleveland, are employed in the bakery at the north end of the building. When they heard the alarm they rushed to the huge bolted door that separated kitchen, bakery and dining room from the dormitory and attempted to open it. With the aid of Ex-White, negro, on the dormitory side of the structure, they succeeded in breaking down the door, opening another avenue of escape. O'Malley estimated 160 prisoners made their way to safety through that route.

Later O'Malley and White ran around to a side window of the dormitory where prisoners still were vainly struggling to escape and, using pieces of pipe as sledges, attempted to break open the window but were unable to do so.

Shortly after the fire was discovered, Captain D. H. Howell, commanding the guard at the brick plant, was awakened by the shouts. He came out immediately, and ordered the guards to open all the doors. There were five exits from the dormitory.

**Some May Die**

The prisoners who had escaped from the flame-swept dormitory were huddled in the office and in the garage. Chester Welch, of Cuyahoga county, serving time on

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## *TWO SISTERS KILLED WHEN PLANE DROPS*

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 8 (AP)—The death today of Charles F. Wilson brought to three the fatalities in an airplane crash Sunday in which two sisters, Mary Belle and Carol Begole, of Denver, were killed.

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 8—(AP)—A fall spin wrote death for Carol and Mary Begole, daughters of City Auditor George Begole, when one of the sisters "froze" to the extra control stick of an airplane Sunday, causing it at crash near here from an altitude of 2,000 feet.

Charles Wilson, pilot of the ill-fated plane, is reported in a serious condition and may not recover.

Mary Begole, 22 years, and her sister, Carol, 19, had planned for days upon the ride which ended so disastrously.

For several months Mary Begole had been a student flier.