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P. U. BILL IN FAVOR WITH GOV. MEIER

State Executive Clarifies Position on Public Utility Measure.

LEGISLATURE ON LAST HALF TODAY

New Bills Making Their Appearance — Police System Measure Expected Very Soon.

SALEM, Feb. 2 (AP)—Governor Julius L. Meier, in a statement to the press today, declared the public utilities bill, introduced in the house and which was the subject of a public hearing last week, was in accord with the platform upon which he was elected executive. The message further states that reports to the contrary were erroneous.

The governor, in his statement, also reiterated advocacy of repeal of the certificate of necessities act, which measure comes up for final passage in the senate today, adding that the Lawrence utilities bill again provides for the repeal of this law. A debate on the issue is expected in the senate.

New Bills Appear

The legislature started its final half of the limited 40-day period at 11 o'clock today, with many new bills presented in both houses. Reports were current that the new compromise sought on the port of Portland commission members choice failed, and the Crawford bill providing for the appointment of the members whose terms expire this year by the governor and election thereafter, would be reported out favorably by the senate Multnomah delegation.

The administration measure providing for a new state police system was expected late today or tomorrow.

Senator Bailey of Multnomah county introduced a bill that would require an affirmative order from the public service commission be-

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Y. C. E. GROUPS AT ELGIN FOR JUBILEE RALLY

A Jubilee rally was held yesterday afternoon and evening in the Presbyterian church at Elgin when members of the Christian Endeavor societies of La Grande joined the Elgin young people in their celebration. About 75 were present, 25 going from La Grande. The organization was started just 50 years ago today by Dr. Francis E. Clark in the Williston Congregational church in Portland, Maine, and is now found in more than 80 denominations and is worldwide in its scope.

Endeavorers from La Grande gave a presentation of the history of the organization, telling of the beginning of the first society and something of its far-reaching influence among the young people today. The Sunday school orchestra from the local Presbyterian church played two numbers and there were instrumental numbers by young people from Elgin. Among those who spoke during the afternoon session were Rev. Mr. Williams, pastor of the Presbyterian church in Elgin; Miss Hulda Anderson and Mrs. I. C. Bowser, of La Grande.

Following the afternoon meeting, there was a social hour when refreshments were served and most of the visitors remained for the regular Christian Endeavor prayer meeting held at 6:30.

Size of Store To Be Doubled Soon

"To have the finest store of its kind in Eastern Oregon" is the aim of Cecil Myrick who announces that he will double the size of the La Grande Book and Sationery store at 1114 Adams avenue by occupying the room formerly used by a music company. Carpenters are now taking out the cabinets and booths which were formerly used in the music store and new low fixtures will be installed to give a beter display of the merchandise and make it more accessible to the public.

The store, formerly Newlin's, has been in operation here 45 years, and was acquired by Mr. Myrick in the fall of 1928. Since that time it has grown steadily.

"The need of a good store of our type has been proved to me," says Mr. Myrick. "The book department will be considerably enlarged. The rental library will be added to and I hope to make the stationery and office supply departments a credit to any city." Along with the books and stationery, the gift and novelty section will be greatly enlarged.

"The store has done unusually well since I came to La Grande and I feel certain people in this section will welcome improvements of the type we plan to make," he adds.

The store will be kept open for business while the alterations are in progress.

WEATHER FORECAST
Oregon: Cloudy tonight and Tuesday, valley fogs in east portion tonight.
No change in temperature.
Moderate easterly winds offshore.

WEATHER TODAY
7:30 a. m.—21 above.
Minimum: 21 above.
Condition: clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 45, minimum 21 above.
Condition: clear.

WEATHER FEB. 2, 1930
Maximum 46, minimum 34 above.
Condition: cloudy, rain .03 of inch.

Mr. Ground Hog Predicts Six Weeks of Cold

It was a sunshiny day in February. Hardly a cloud appeared in the blue of the sky. It was this morning, in fact!

Ye newspaper reporter, anxious to be on the scene of important events, was stationed somewhere in the Grande Ronde valley, patiently hunting for news.

What ho! A rodent! Not a squirrel. Oh no, nothing so plebian as that. H. R. H. Mr. Ground Hog in person. And, strange to say, looking for his shadow. Walking straight toward the sun, it was some time before he saw it. But the newspaper reported made a noise, and Mr. Ground Hog looked back over his shoulder and CURSES! THERE WAS THAT SHADOW! He wheeled about and headed for his hole.

But it was too late. The newspaper man, eager for an interview, had encamped directly over Mr. Ground Hog's hole, cutting off his retreat for a moment.

Mr. Ground Hog Interviewed.

Chagrined, somewhat frightened at the shadowy thing that followed him,

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Stearns, M'Lain Take Over New City Positions

Beginning this morning, four city offices were consolidated into two, authorization for this change having been made by the city commission during January.

The offices of city recorder and city treasurer were merged, with J. E. Stearns, former recorder, as recorder-treasurer. L. B. Moe has accepted a position as deputy in this department. Mrs. Emma Fowler, former treasurer, is closing up her books today.

The offices of street superintendent and city engineer were combined also, with A. H. McLain as engineer and street suprintendent. Orville Wright, former street superintendent, remains with the department, working under the supervision of Mr. McLain.

City Manager A. B. Cherry also announced today that the water department is "breaking in" a new utility man, who will become acquainted with the various positions in the department, and who will be ready to relieve any workman in times of sickness or emergency.

Box Canyon One Of Wonders Of Western World

Far back from the main roads of travel, inaccessible except by horseback or on foot, is the Box canyon of the Snake river. Box canyon, which is so little known outside of its immediate vicinity, is nearly one thousand feet deeper than the Grande Canyon of the Colorado, and while it doesn't display the gorgeous coloring of the Grand Canyon, it is an amazing spectacle of sheer cliffs and towering pinnacles, according to Harley Richardson, who has made a trip to view the gingantic gorge.

Box canyon is reached by going to Joseph and then to Little Sheep creek over a road which is completed. Then there is a makeshift dirt road from Little Sheep creek to Imnaha which is impassable during the greater part of the year because of the mud. The proposed road which is being endorsed by the chamber

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February Circuit Court Term Begins

The February term of the circuit court opened this morning at ten o'clock. The jury was drawn and the court then proceeded with the trial of the case of Anna Mayfield vs. Frank Hallgarth. The attorneys are Ivanhoe & Zurcher and R. J. Kitchen for the plaintiff, and Jesse Crum for the defendant.

George L. Williams, who was arraigned last week on a charge of larceny by bailee, was expected to plead this morning, but the case was resubmitted to the grand jury.

Six other cases are now scheduled on the court calendar. The case of W. A. Moore vs. Shell Oil Co. is set for Wednesday at 9:00 a. m.; State of Oregon vs. Chester Mason, on a charge of non-support, 9:00 a. m. Thursday; C. H. Finn vs. Erickson & Durland, 9:00 a. m. Monday, Feb. 9; State of Oregon vs. Walter Hall, on a charge of possession of a still, 9:00 a. m. Tuesday, Feb. 10; State of Oregon vs. Victor Seaborg, on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, 9:00 a. m. Wednesday, Feb. 11; and State of Oregon vs. Chas. L. Poffenberger, on a charge of possession of a still, 9:00 a. m. Monday, Feb. 16.

This list is subject to revision at any time.

U. S. GUNBOAT WINS BATTLE ON YANGTSE

Three-Inch Guns Prove Superior to Muzzle-Loading Cannon.

BANDITS ATTACK AMERICAN SHIP

No Casualties Suffered by Uncle Sam's Forces — Other Nationals Suffer Attacks.

HANKOW, China, Feb. 2 (AP)—American three-inch guns proved superior to ancient muzzle-loading cannon and the United States gunboat Panay yesterday defeated Chinese bandits in a brief but intense battle on the Yangtse river 275 miles above the port.

Neither the Panay nor an American boat the warship was convoying downstream suffered a single casualty, although both ran a veritable hail of solid shot, nails and scrap iron fired from red batteries on both banks of the river.

The Panay raked the shores with withering effect and quickly silenced the bandits' cannon.

Roving bands of so-called communists have harrassed shipping on the Upper Yangtse for several months. American, British, Japanese and Chinese shipping has suffered. These bands were blamed for the predicament of the American freighter Chita, aground in the river below Shasi. The gunboat Oahu hovered near the Chita to prevent reds from pirating the helpless vessel.

Authorities declared the Chita grounded when she lost her bearings because bandits had removed buoys marking the river channel.

American gunboats have been at-

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TIGER FORWARD'S WRIST FRACTURED

Eaton's Removal From Squad Hurts Chances—Wallowa Wins Saturday

La Grande High school's basketball stock dropped at least 35 per cent Saturday night when, during a game with Wallowa High here, Steve Eaton, sophomore forward, suffered a fractured wrist which will keep him out of play the remainder of the season.

Coach Ira Woodie has been shaping up a team which many believed would be ripe for a district championship by the time of the Union tournament, but with Eaton, one of his fastest men, definitely out, championship hopes have been almost obliterated.

At the time of the accident, the Tigers and the Wallowans were playing nip and tuck, but in the second half, with a new combination made necessary by Eaton's injury, the visitors ran away with the game, winning 37 to 25. As a matter of fact, the contest slipped from an exciting basketball game into a rough contest that at times resembled football, the change taking place soon after Eaton's injury.

11 Fouls in Last Half

During that hectic last half five fouls were called on La Grande, sending Shepherd and Faus from the game, and six fouls were called on Wallowa, sending Hanson from the game and when the contest ended, Hawkins was in a precarious situation.

Wallowa built up a 4 to 0 lead as the game opened but La Grande rallied and a basket by Shepherd a little later gave the Tigers a 10 to 9 lead. Torrence brought it up to 12 to 9, and then Wallowa forged a point ahead. A foul shot by Faus evened the score at 14 all and then Hanson shot a field goal to give Wallowa a two-point lead. Eaton was injured just before the half ended, Conley replacing him.

Tigers Weaken

Early in the second half Conley caged a field goal that tied the score and Torrence sent the count up to 19 to 16 for La Grande. But Wallowa's superior speed began to tell and after Posey tied the score at 20-20, the visitors forged steadily ahead, holding La Grande to three free throws in the final period while they were accounting for 11 points.

Two games are on schedule for this weekend in La Grande. Milton-Freewater will be here Feb. 6 and Enterprise comes to La Grande on Feb. 7.

Reports received here state that

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COMPROMISE BONUS PLAN IS SUGGESTED

Increase by 50 Per Cent of Loan Value Would Please Leaders.

PATMAN RECALLS VANDENBERG BILL

Early Meeting of Finance Committee to go Ahead With Legislation is Being Sought.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 (AP)—Representative Patman told today of compromise offers having been discussed by some administration followers as a settlement of the issue over cash redemption of veterans' bonus certificates.

The Texas democrat, one of the original sponsors of the cash redemption plan, named Senator Vandenberg. He said the Michigan republican had expressed a belief after a White House conference that an increase by fifty per cent on the loan value of the certificates and a reduction in the interest would meet administration approval.

"While most of the compromise [illegible] have discussed it quietly, [illegible] said, "I have definite information that they would be only too willing to accept such a compromise.

"It would please Secretary Mellon and the administration, I know. The proposal has been discussed with nearly all of us who are advocating a one hundred per cent cash bonus."

Involves $1,700,000,000

Senator Vandenberg has proposed a measure allowing loans up to 50 per cent face value of the certificates. This ultimately would involve a total outlay of $1,700,000,000, if all veterans took advantage of it. The government already has a $700,000,000 fund for this purpose.

Senator Harrison, leading the democratic forces in the senate dispute over the cash bonus, said he would urge Chairman Smoot to call an early meeting of the finance committee to go ahead with legislation. The republican forces expect the house to insist on starting the legislation, however.

Meanwhile, George W. Shaller, Iowa banker, today suggested the increasing of loans on veterans certificates for relief of pressing need. He testified before the house ways and means committee.

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BON MUIR TO MEET DONOVAN HERE MONDAY

Bon Muir, popular Australian champion, and Wild Bill Donovan, Los Angeles wrestler, will meet in La Grande next Monday night according to Ray McCarroll, matchmaker. The two men, both weighing 205 pounds, will meet in the main event of a wrestling card scheduled to start at 8 o'clock at Rex hall.

Muir wrestled here against Charley Hanson a week ago and had the Seattle man nearly out when he ran into a body slam. Recently Donovan wrestled Hansen to an eight-round draw in Seattle, and has met many of the other top-notchers. Whirlwind Marshall, for awhile hailed as the only man who appeared likely to stop Gus Sonnenberg, also wrestled Donovan to a draw in Los Angeles, in a three-hour, no-fall affair.

The two men, Muir and Donovan, are both tall and rangy and use similar styles.

Three Post Office Buildings On List

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 (AP) — The allocations of $68,764,000 for construction of public buildings of which $49,515,000 is for cities and towns outside of the District of Columbia, was reported to congress today by Secretary Mellon.

The treasury secretary said no additional authorizations were needed for this construction, which includes nearly 200 buildings and additions. The appropriations for these allotments will have to be carried in the second deficiency bill yet to be drafted.

A total of $18,099,000 was allotted federal buildings in the District of Columbia.

The allotment included:

Marshfield, Ore., postoffice, $140,000.

Oregon City, Ore., postoffice, $115,000.

St. Johns, Ore., postoffice $65,000.

Local Red Cross Drive Will Be Launched Here On Thursday Morn

After protracted delay due to uncertainties created by agitation in congress for federal appropriations to the Red Cross for drouth and other national relief work, the La Grande Red Cross Campaign committee decided today noon to inaugurate the campaign next Thursday morning. Since it has now become apparent that congress will not take the situation in hand, the waiting public is indicating its anxiety to do its part immediately, according to the La Grande committee. Consequently, without further uncertainty the work will be carried on through committees previously set up, with the hope that the work will be finished within a week but to continue until thoroughly "mopped" up.

At a luncheon meeting of the committee today, a telegram was read from the San Francisco office throwing light on a situation that has caused considerable discussion in La Grande since a Portland paper published reports to the effect that the Red Cross had something like $20,000,000.00 in cash which it wasn't using. Sherwood Williams, local chairman, dispatched inquiries to headquarters which answered that over $11,000,000.00 of this amount is endowment, the interest alone being available to the Red Cross. Five million has already been used in the drouth area, over two million is required for general work other than relief, nearly two million is set aside for disabled veterans' relief and service, replacement of Red Cross buildings already condemned calls for nearly a million this year, leaving specifically $4,685,000.00 as "a safeguard against all other obligations," such as disasters that might occur and need instant relief in large sums. With this explanation from headquarters the committee feels that the questions brought up by a Portland news story is fully explained and that the need for subscriptions is as great as ever.

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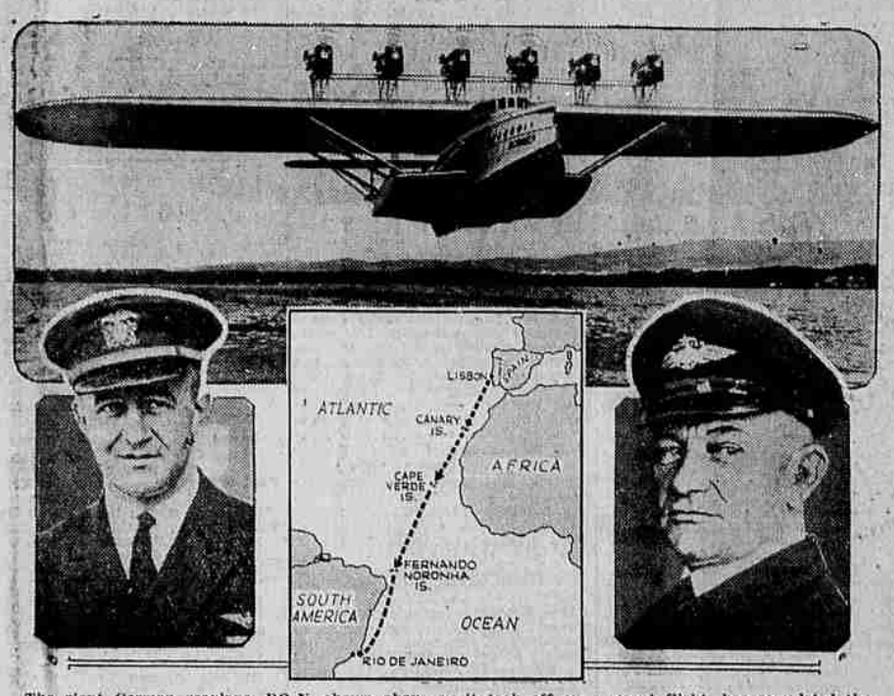
COMPLETE FIRST LEG OF FLIGHT



The giant German seaplane, DO-X, shown above as it took off on a recent flight, has completed the first leg of a flight to Rio De Janeiro from Lisbon, Spain. The craft, captained by Commander Friedrich Christiansen (right), reached the Canary Islands Saturday. Lieut. Clarence Schildhauer(left), an American, is a co-pilot and second in command.

So The Police Called Him "Bill Hershey"

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 2 (AP)—A dejected looking man was brought to the police station yesterday by an officer who said the prisoner had no visible means of support.

"What's your name?" asked the booking officer.

The suspect told him. The officer gasped.

"Spell it," he said. And here it is: "LLeisuszuieusszesszie Willihuminizzieszteizzie Hurrizzisszteizzi."

"Well," said the booking officer, "guess we'll call you 'Bill Hershey.' "

Vanderbilt May Talk; Italians Admit Audience

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 2 (AP)—Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr. may have "a good many things to say" concerning the difficulties between General Smedley D. Butler of the marine corps and Premier Mussolini, if circumstances "change sufficiently."

Vanderbilt, credited in some quarters with having supplied the material for General Butler's recent charge that the Italian premier was guilty of a hit-run motoring offense, made this known late last night.

His announcement came during discussion of a statement by the Italian foreign office that the young former newspaper publisher had once been granted a "brief audience" with Mussolini.

"Backing Down a Bit"

The foreign office statement concerning the audience was in the nature of an amendment to a statement issued by it last week to the effect that Mussolini had never met young Vanderbilt.

"They seem to be backing down a bit, don't they?" the young former publisher said.

Told that a visit he had with the Italian premier was characterized in the latest foreign office statement as a "brief audience such as hundreds of foreigners have been granted," he laughed.

"That audience, resulting in a published interview in 1926," he said, "was 4,000 words long. Anyone can exercise his own judgment as to whether 4,000 words is 'brief.' "

Asked if he ever would have anything definite to say regarding General Butler's story of the hit-run incident, which will bring the general before a court martial soon, young Vanderbilt said:

"I have nothing to say now, but if circumstances change sufficiently I may have a good many things to say."

COURT MARTIAL FEB. 16

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 (AP)—The court martial of Major General Smedley D. Butler, of the marines, will begin at 10 a. m., Monday, February 16, at the Philadelphia navy yard.

Secretary Adams made the announcement today after a visit to the White House.

He also had conferred with Judge Advocate General Sellers of the navy.

Upon leaving the president's office he said he called to talk about "naval affairs."

Asked if he had discussed the Butler court martial, his reply was that it was "against principles to talk about such matters."

Red Cross Drouth Relief At $5,069,000

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 (AP) — The Red Cross drouth relief fund today passed the half way mark, the total being $5,069,000. The goal is $10,000,000.

Car Flashes At 240 Miles an Hour

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Feb. 2 (AP)—Captain Malcolm Campbell, British contender for the world's automobile speed record, today attained an unofficial speed of approximately 240 miles an hour on a practice run over the ocean course.

Although Campbell's speed exceeded by nearly nine miles an hour the world's record of 231, it was not officially timed and was made only in one direction. Regulations provide that he must make two trials, one with the wind and the other against, which must be officially clocked.

HOME-PRESERVED PEAS KILL TEN

Botulism, Form of Food Poisoning, Takes Toll in North Dakota.

GRAFTON, N. D., Feb. 2 (AP)—The botulism toll here jumped to 11 late today when Genevieve Hein, 16, died.

GRAFTON, N. D., Feb. 2 (AP)—Ten persons, including four members of one family, were dead here today, victims of botulism, a form of food poisoning.

Home-preserved peas served in a salad and which are believed to have contained the poison, caused the deaths, physicians said.

The dead: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hein, at whose home near here the salad was eaten during a party Thursday night; their children, Elizabeth, 20, and Edward Jr., 15; Mrs. Thomas Chaplewski and her son, Harry, 15; Mrs. Elmer Stokke; Miss Marguerite McWilliams; Arthur Jorandry, and Arthur Lessard. All lived in this vicinity.

Genevieve Hein, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hein, and Joe Leach, who also attended the gathering and partook of the salad, were in a critical condition at a hospital and were not expected to recover.

Dr. G. W. Glaspel, public health officer, who investigated, said all twelve of the persons were first afflicted with dizziness and numbness and all suffered a paralysis of the throat.

The victims became ill late Friday. Three of them died Saturday and seven died yesterday.

GRANTS PASS INFANT SAFE AT HIS HOME

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Feb. 2 (AP)—Little Keithie Dale Husen, two years old, was ready today to continue a game of hide and seek, interrupted Friday evening when he became lost in the forest surrounding his mountain home.

For 30 hours he was sought by rescue parties numbering at least 200 men and women. He was found Saturday night, delightedly delving into a pile of pine needles he had come upon. The child was unharmed, appeared little fatigued, and as he smiled brightly at his rescuers they noted the absence of tearstains on his cheeks. He was three miles from home.

His chief interest for the moment was the heap of dry pine needles.

Keithie became lost while playing hide and seek with other children of the remote mountain neighborhood. He wandered for hours in the wilderness. Fear gripped the searchers when a giant bobcat was shot to death a few hundred yards from the Husen home.

But Keithie was home today after the greatest child hunt in Josephine county.

Bishop's Hearing Set For Tuesday

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 (AP)—Bishop James Cannon Jr., was in a hospital here today on the eve of hearings to be conducted by his church into charges against him, but his family said he would leave the hospital tomorrow to defend himself.

The Southern Methodist dry leader recently returned from Texas, where he recuperated from an illness which had confined him to bed for two months. His recovery, members of his family said, was not complete. The present trip to the hospital was to rest from the long journey from Texas.

Tomorrow twelve elders of the church will sit as an investigating body to hear charges filed against the bishop by four ministers.

ELDERLY CHINESE SUICIDES

BAKER, Ore., Feb. 2 (AP) — Hong Young, elderly Chinese of Baker, stabbed himself to death in the Chinese quarter here yesterday. He used a ten-inch knife which penetrated the body below the breast bone. Young died 40 minutes later. More than $300 was found in his pocket. He had tried to kill himself 18 months ago, police said, by slashing his throat.

Stunt Flier Is Killed; Parasol Plane In Crash

CHICAGO, Feb. 2 (AP)—The prediction of some of the acquaintances of Edward Heath, 45, a pioneer in airplane experimentation, that he someday would kill himself, came true yesterday. He died in a plunge from an altitude of about 200 feet while flying in a new plane of his own design near Marton Grove, a suburb.

Heath, who was widely known as a stunt flier and as the designer and manufacturer of the Heath parasol plane, had long been interested in aviation experiments. For twenty years his friends had said of him:

"Always trying something new; always taking a chance; he'll kill himself some day."

Of "Parasol Type"

The plane in which Heath died was a two-seater, low-winged monoplane of the "parasol" type. Apparently he encountered engine trouble, and the machine went into a tail spin. Fred Stoelting, a farmer who witnessed the accident, hurried to the field in which the airplane fell and pulled out the body before the wreckage burst into flames.

Heath was president of the Heath Aircraft corporation. He had been experimenting lately in the use of pontoons which enabled him to alight on and take off from small bodies of water. He was a consistent winner of prizes in contests for light airplanes. Some of his "ships" competed in the national air races and Ford reliability tours.

TWO FATALLY HURT

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Feb. 2 (AP)—Owen William King, 20, student pilot and son of a wealthy Montecito, Cal., family, and his flying instructor, James Ross, 22, of Santa Barbara, were fatally injured when a training plane crashed near here yesterday.

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Convicts Back In Penitentiary In Salem Today

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 2 (AP)—Because Lee Duncan and Dan Flynn smoked stolen tobacco in a schoolhouse at Jefferson, 16 miles south of here, they were back in the state penitentiary today. The two convicts climbed over a wall and escaped in a fog Thursday night.

Officers' attention was first directed toward Jefferson by the report of the burglary of a store there yesterday afternoon. Tobacco, clothing and a revolver had been stolen.

A half hour later, J. T. Jones, janitor, scented tobacco smoke in the school. George Vale and George Thomason, a state traffic officer, responded to his call.

They found the pair hiding in a woodpile in the basement. The convicts made no resistence. Duncan is serving 35 years for assault while armed, and Flynn 15 years for assault and robbery while armed.

King Frowns On Prince's Wedding

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Feb. 2 (AP)—King Gustave's frown has cast a shadow upon the romance of Prince Lenhart, his grandson, and Fraulein Karin Nissvandt, the daughter of a Swedish industrialist.

The king issued a communique today announcing that he would withhold his consent to the wedding but it was understood the prince was ready to abide by the consequences and marry the girl of his choice. Should he do so, he would lose his title of Highness and forfeit his right of succession to the throne. The marriage, however, probably will be indefinitely postponed.

60 Injured During Panic In Church

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 2 (AP)—Sixty persons were injured, several seriously, in a panic at the Sacred Heart cathedral in Quadalajara yesterday.

The panic was occasioned by collapse of a building adjoining the temple, which was crowded for noon mass.

The noise was audible in the church and, fearing that the church itself was falling in, the people stampeded for the exits, trampling upon those who fell.

BORAH TAKES FIRM STAND FOR RELIEF

Idaho Senator Sides With the Democrats in Senate Battle.

FIGHT TO FINISH SEEMS IN STORE

Burst of Applause Greets His Statement Today That "There Must be no Surrender."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 (AP)—Senator Borah, a leader of the Republican Independents, today joined with the senate Democrats in their battle on relief.

In reply to the "no compromise" statement of Representative Tilson, house Republican leader, he said: "I accept the challenge—let us have it out."

The Idaho Republican denied federal relief appropriations would be a "dole."

"There must be no surrender," he said. "I am willing to take the issue to the American people; I want to know if this government is to take care of its people when they are afflicted by an act of God.

"I am willing that not another appropriation should be allowed to pass this senate until the hungry are fed and relief provided and until the government has met its obligation to its citizens."

Burst of Applause

This statement was greeted by a most unusual burst of applause, not only from the galleries but from senators on the Democratic side, one of whom, Senator Ashurst, Democrat, Arizona, stood to do so.

Borah said federal appropriations under the emergency conditions would establish no precedent and characterized it "intellectual dishonesty," to call such a move a dole.

As Borah concluded, Senators Robinson, the Democratic leader, Barkley of Kentucky and McKallar of Tennessee, rushed from the Democratic side to grasp his hand.

Republicans Silent

Republicans sat silent through Borah's attack and through a more personal assault upon the house Republican leadership and upon President Hoover by Senator Caraway, Democrat, of Arkansas.

Borah's declaration appeared to some senators to assure a Democratic-Republican Independent coalition for the extra session fight which the Democrats have threatened. Such a coalition has had a majority in the senate heretofore and would make certain ability to force the extra session, if the deadlock on relief is not broken.

Attacking the administration's op-

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CORPORATIONS PLEDGE JOBS TO EMPLOYES

NEW YORK, Feb. 2 (AP)—Twenty-five corporations employing several hundred thousand workers pledged steady jobs to them all.

The Welfare Council Coordinating Committee on Unemployment, headed by Alfred E. Smith, has announced these pledges, supplementing similar assurances already received from the Consolidated Gas company, the Metropolitan Life Insurance company and the McCall Publishing company.

Fifteen of these concerns permitting the use of their names were:

The Standard Oil company of New Jersey.
The Bethlehem Steel company.
Travelers Insurance companies.
Equitable Life Assurance company.
American Surety company.
New York Casualty company.
Guardian Life Insurance company.
Bank of Savings.
Seamens' Bank for Savings.
Hamlin and Company.
Appleton and Company.
Allied Di-casting corporation.
New York Life Insurance company.
Home Life Insurance company.
American Fence Construction company.

Robber Runs With Job Half Finished

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 2 (AP)—If police here should see a man wearing one black shoe and one tan shoe, they would promptly arrest him on suspicion of having entered the Henry Kniss Jr. home with intent to commit burglary.

Kniss interrupted the burglar when he was just half through exchanging his shoes for a better pair. The burglar got away.

D. G. WOODWARD DIES

PORTLAND, Feb. 2 (AP)—Donald G. Woodward, 63, prominent real estate dealer here, died at his office today from a heart attack. He had been engaged in business here since 1887.

Woodward was born on a farm near Rochester, Minn., in 1868.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Feb. 2 (AP) — With the entire United States winter wheat belt bare of snow and with rainless skies intensifying drouth complaints, grain prices tended upward today. A smaller increase than expected in the corn visible supply also was a bullish factor. No attention was paid to department of agriculture reports suggesting somewhat lower prices for the 1931-32 corn crop than for the present crop.

Wheat closed irregular, ranging from ¼ cent decline to 1⅛ advance, corn ½ to 1 cent up, oats at ⅛ to ½ gain, and provisions 5-12 cents down.