

FOWLER CASE JURY FAILS TO AGREE

NEW TRIAL IS EXPECTED DURING JUNE

Jurors, After 22 1/2 Hours of Deliberations, Hopelessly Deadlocked.

MRS. FOWLER WILL REMAIN IN BAKER

Unofficial Reports Say Vote Was Six For Conviction and Six For Acquittal.

Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles stated early this afternoon that he had called the grand jury to meet Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. It is understood that an investigation of the shortage of \$112,202.02 from the city accounts will be the grand jury's schedule of work.

Mrs. Emma Fowler, former La Grande city treasurer, having been indicted by the state grand jury with a charge of \$112,202.02 from the city of La Grande, was today in the county jail, awaiting a second trial which probably will be held during the June term of court in Baker. Yesterday at 2:40 o'clock, after 22 1/2 hours of deliberations, the jury returned to the court room and informed Judge Hall S. Lusk, of Multnomah county, that an agreement could not be reached.

Viewers, Court Go Over Court Go Over Mt. Emily Road

The Union county court, consisting of Judge U. G. Couch and Commissioners W. W. Stevens and W. R. Ledbetter, accompanied by three view-

ers, went to the Mt. Emily road today to view the damage to the road caused by the recent heavy rain. The road is in a very bad state of repair and the view-ers are expected to make a report to the court on the condition of the road.

BURKE INLOW TO REPRESENT THIS COUNTY

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 25 (Special)—High school orators who have been chosen to participate in the six up-state district finals of the national oratorical contest, on the constitution, sponsored by the Oregonian, were announced yesterday by Dr. Dan E. Clark, University of Oregon, after the manuscripts of the second championship had been passed upon by a board of judges from the university faculty.

The winners in district No. 8 follow: Ralph Bodin, Nye; Eugene Graham, Ontario; Burke Inlow, La Grande; Edna Mitchell, Burns; and Rose Marie Snyder, Enterprise. Burke Inlow is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Inlow.

District No. 8 is being handled by Robert D. Lytle, of Vale. The district finals contest probably will be held in Ontario.

O. S. C. Band Will Be Here Thursday

The Oregon State band, which will play in concert in La Grande Thursday, Mar. 26, passed through this city yesterday on route to Union, where the college musicians gave a concert. They will appear in concert at the high school auditorium and afterwards a selected college dance orchestra will furnish music at a dance at Zuber hall.

The band consists of 45 pieces and is being brought to this city under the auspices of the La Grande High school.

Tickets are now on sale and reservations may be made at Glass Drug Wednesday.

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Fair tonight and Tuesday but becoming cloudy in the west portion tonight.

Gentle east to southeast winds offshore increasing tonight.

WEATHER TODAY

7:30 a. m.—35 above.

Minimum: 26 above.

Condition: clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 49, minimum 34 above.

Condition: partly cloudy.

WEATHER MAR. 23, 1930

Maximum 50, minimum 35 above.

Condition: cloudy, rain 40 of inch.

Spring Cantata Features Choir Concert Sunday

Churches Active as Easter Nears—M. E. Conference Closes; C. E. Meets At Baker.

Spring entered the doors of the Presbyterian church on the wings of song last night when the Triad choir, under the direction of Mrs. A. L. Richardson, presented "The Herald of Spring," a cantata, as a part of one of the most difficult programs of religious music ever heard in La Grande. Soloists were Mrs. Paul Polman, of Baker; Mrs. W. H. Bohnenkamp Jr., and Mrs. Harley Richardson.

Mrs. Polman is a finished artist, having studied for a number of years under excellent teachers and her solos, "The Pentecost," by Van De Water, and "Sheep and Lambs," by Sidney Homer, both religious numbers, were impressive, her mezzo-soprano voice being especially well suited to the numbers.

Mrs. Bohnenkamp, contralto, one of La Grande's most popular artists, sang "Alas! Our Winter is Past," a number in the cantata in which John Hyatt Brewer visualizes spring; and "The Open Road," by Gertrude Ross. Mrs. Harley Richardson, both in her solos and accompaniments, caught the mood of the religious program.

Joyous Songs

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E. O. N. Baseball Squad May Turn Out on Tuesday

The crash of horsehide against wood and the thump of ball in catcher's mitt will be heard at the Normal school beginning tomorrow afternoon, if weather is favorable. Coach Bob Quinn today expected to coach a baseball team tomorrow.

Mr. Quinn is not certain as to how much material he will have, but he has a strong catching in Graham, who also plays tackle during football season; and Wilson and Coles are expected to try out for the twirling position. Lynn McCully, last year's pitcher, is expected to attend school this term.

Several veterans are with the squad this year, and indications are that the Mountaineers will have a strong infield and outfield. In general, if nothing happens, a fairly strong team is expected.

Games have been scheduled with the Whitman college nine and also two with College of Idaho. Both are northwest conference members.

Mr. Quinn also expects to schedule games with Monmouth Normal school and several independent teams, according to present plans.

Boone To Attend Secretaries' Meet

H. C. Boone, secretary of the Union county chamber of commerce, will attend the annual short course for chamber of commerce secretaries sponsored by the school of business administration of the University of Oregon. He will be in Eugene on March 23, 24 and 25, after which he plans to go to Portland to attend the meeting of the Oregon State Chamber on March 27.

The purpose of the short course at the university is to afford a place where the secretaries may exchange ideas and learn new ones and discuss problems of special importance to the state, such as internal organization, agriculture, marketing local products, publicity and finances.

Missing Aviator Safe in Colombia

WASHINGTON, March 23 (AP)—Verne Warren Harshman, chief aviator, missing since March 17 when he disappeared during naval flying exercises off the coast of Colombia, has been found and is now safe at Buenaventura, Colombia.

THE FAIREST



Alki Diplarakos, 19, fairest of all Europe, she is a Pacific coast visitor, lecturing on ancient Greek customs and folklore.

ALBANY COLLEGE DEBATES E. O. N. Tackle Brings Fleeing Youth To the Ground

Men's Team Leaves on Tour; Girls are to Board Train Tomorrow.

Two youths were held in the city jail today on an open charge following a thrilling chase last night. The two, who gave the names of Lamont and George, were charged with the theft of a car from the city jail. They were held in the city jail today on an open charge following a thrilling chase last night.

"DIGGY THREE" TO BE STAGED THIS EVENING

"The Diggy Three" in which Lawrence Pittenger, Ralph Byers and Harley Richardson, taking their way into the tickle box, is only one of the events of a program to be presented by the Knights of Pythias tonight at 8 o'clock at the hall. Mr. Pittenger is not only one of the chief actors of "The Diggy Three," but he is the author as well, and in charge of the entire program.

The public is invited to the free program after which cards and dancing will be enjoyed and punch served.

E. E. Dixon, grand chancellor of the lodge, will give an address as a part of the program, which will also include numbers by a quartet composed of Rollin Moss, Don Gally, Fred Miller and Paul Brace. The Blue Mountain Wranglers will play several of their old-time selections.

Other musical numbers on the program include the La Grande High school orchestra, under the direction of W. W. Kuehman; a quartet of little and big boys, accompanied by his sister, Miss Ruth Byers; and a duet, Don Gally playing the saxophone and Wesley McDonald, the violin.

Monologues will be given by Lawrence Graham and Ray Buell.

Golfers Try Out Permanent Greens

Yesterday was a big day at the La Grande country club because it was the first day this spring that the permanent greens have been in condition. Practically the entire membership played at some time during the day inspired by the sunshine and the light breezes that hovered over the course.

The tournament which was postponed because of the unsettled condition of the weather during the late part of the week, but it will be held next Sunday if the weather is satisfactory, according to Mrs. John Peterson and Dr. R. J. Murphy, chairman of the tournament committee.

DEATH TAKES USUAL TOLL OVER SUNDAY

Automobile and Airplane Accidents on West Coast Prove Fatal.

TWO ARE DEAD IN PORTLAND AREA

Four Lives Lost Within Period of 20 Minutes in Crashes in Los Angeles District.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 23 (AP)—Automobile accidents were held accountable for two deaths and seven injuries here yesterday.

Bob Stratton, 24, died shortly after two machines collided on the Oregon approach to the Interstate bridge over the Columbia river.

Glenn R. Churchill, 24, Eagle Creek, Ore., died in a hospital from a fractured skull suffered March 18 when he fell from an automobile running board.

Two men and a girl, riding with Stratton, were badly cut about the face, hospital reports said. They were Arthur C. Schoote, 27; James Price, 21, and Jean Harris, all of Portland.

In the other machine, which deputy sheriffs said was thrown 40 feet by the impact, were Glenda Mettla, 19; Bertie Black, 20; Dr. Fred Gould, 24, and R. W. Scafe, 23, who were cut and bruised. A third man was uninjured. The Multnomah county sheriff's office investigated. Churchill's injury occasioned an official investigation when it was found he had been placed in the jail "tank" as a drunk when first taken.

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FARM BURDEN THROWN BACK TO FARMERS

Federal Board Cannot Continue its Stabilization Operations.

WHEAT PRICES SLUMP

CHICAGO, March 23 (AP)—Wheat prices on the Chicago market tumbled to low ground unknown since 1895 today, sagging 3 to 11 cents a bushel on 1931 crop options.

The crash followed announcement by the government sponsored farm board that stabilization operations would end after the 1930 crop had been disposed of.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 23 (AP)—Prices for future deliveries of wheat slumped to the lowest level on the grain market here in more than six months today.

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WASHINGTON, March 23 (AP)—A renewed demand for the equalization fee plan of disposing of agricultural surpluses was voiced today by Republican Leader Watson of the senate in the wake of the loss of wheat crop.

WASHINGTON, March 23 (AP)—The prediction that optional use of the export debenture and the equalization fee would be substituted for stabilization operations came today from Charles H. Gray, director of the American Farm Bureau federation.

Gray, Washington representative of the organization, pointed to abandonment by the farm board of stabilization operations in wheat as the forerunner of a congressional move to strip the board of its power and substitute the two points of contention in the long campaign for farm relief.

"This will be done by friends of the act; not its enemies," he said.

Favored equalization fee

Sam H. Thompson, newest member of the farm board, was president of the American Farm Bureau federation until his appointment by President Hoover last week to fill the vacant position of the resignation of Alexander Legge.

Thompson long was an advocate of the equalization fee. No word had been received from him when he would assume his new duties.

Gray predicted 50 cent wheat as a result of the board's announcement of yesterday.

"The action of the board," Gray said, "means that the burden of taking care of crop surpluses has been thrown back on the farmer, who it always has been. Farmers don't always have been. Farmers don't always have been."

GIRL RELATES QUITTING JOB TO BE BANDIT TO BE BANDIT

DETROIT, March 23 (AP)—Sally Scott, 16, and demure, today calmly—almost nonchalantly—told police how she gave up being a nursemaid to adopt banditry as a profession.

The girl said she wanted more money than she earned as a nursemaid and had not the education to be a stenographer or bookkeeper.

So she borrowed a pistol, and on Friday night held up a drug store, getting \$25.

Early Sunday, she said, she walked into another drug store. "I said, 'Put up your hands,' but the clerk dropped behind counters. I shot at them. I was so angry. They ran out. Later I saw a restaurant with only a couple of waiters in it. I walked in and robbed the cash register."

A few minutes after this robbery Detective John Lawrence recognized the girl from a broadcast description and arrested her after a struggle.

Both her arms were tattooed with fantastic pictures and the legends, "Between the games and losing two."

Wife of Sabatini Is Given Divorce

LONDON, March 23 (AP)—Mrs. Ruth Good Sabatini was granted a divorce today from her husband, Rafael Sabatini, widely known novelist and dramatist. Sabatini did not defend the suit. The divorce was granted on grounds of misconduct. It was alleged that the marriage was an unhappy one and that the couple had been separated some time ago.

Anti-Dumping Order Signed By Mellon

WASHINGTON, March 23 (AP)—Secretary Mellon today signed an anti-dumping order against the importation of matches from Finland, Norway, Estonia, Sweden, Latvia, Austria, Holland and Poland. The edict is effective immediately.

TOO ROUGH



When two bandits attempted to hold up Mrs. Charles Powers in Pasadena recently, they reckoned without her shooting ability. She shot one of the robbers in a gun duel and routed the other.

BUTLER INDICTS U. S. POLITICS

"Unrepresentative Government" Charged by Columbia U. President

BERKELEY, Cal., Mar. 23 (AP)—Indicting American politics, Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, asserted today "we have achieved well-nigh a miracle of unrepresentative government."

Speaking before the University of California on its Charter Day, Dr. Butler blamed the nation's political ills largely on complacency and self-satisfaction, coupled with too little knowledge "which take high rank among our national traits."

Party organizations and responsibility have disappeared, he said, and the government has been turned over to an office holding class from which the best elements of the nation exclude themselves. An interested, intelligent and informed electorate with returns to the ideals of liberty of the country's fathers is necessary for a restoration of representative government, Dr. Butler said. Unless this is done, he warned, the political organization of the country will give way to a new form, such as fascism or communism.

More Differences Here

"It would be no very great exaggeration to say that there is probably more political indifference in the United States than in any other of the larger nations," Dr. Butler declared.

"We hardly ever make any use of that principle of majority rule which is comfortably supposed to be one of the foundation stones of our political structure. Our holders of political office, even of very high office, in state and in nation, are really selected not by any majority of those eligible to join in making the choice, but by a few individuals."

CHILD BURNED TO DEATH IN DETROIT FIRE

DETROIT, March 23 (AP)—A 10-year-old girl was burned to death today when she was caught in a fire which swept a six-family flat on Alger avenue at 4 a. m. today. More than 50 persons were forced down a rear stairway and others on to the street.

The girl killed was Harriet Malach, daughter of Isaac Malach, who was picked up three younger children and made their way down the rear stairs, shouting to Harriet to follow. Firemen later found her body in the hall outside the door of the Malach apartment.

Those injured were Charles, Michael, Abe and Nellie Snider, grown sons and daughter of Nathan Snider, living on the second floor. Finding their escape out off, they hung from windows for a time and then dropped.

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Government Of Oregon in 1929 Cost Each \$13.55

Payments For Operation and Maintenance of General Departments Totaled \$12,702,671.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 23—The bureau of the census announces a summary of the financial statistics of the state of Oregon for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1929. The per capita figures for 1929 are based on an estimated population of 237,000. These statistics were compiled by Otto F. Kubin.

The payments for operation and maintenance of the general departments of Oregon amounted to \$12,702,671, or \$13.55 per capita. This includes \$451,028, appropriations for education to the minor civil divisions of the state. In 1928 the comparable payments for operation and maintenance of general departments was \$13.60, and in 1917, \$5.90. The payments for operation and maintenance of public service enterprises amounted to \$11.81 interest on debt, \$9,918,857, and outlays for permanent improvements, \$7,713,138. The total payments, therefore, for operation and maintenance of general departments and public service enterprises, for interest and outlays were \$20,334,607. Of this amount \$9,810 represents payments by a state debt.

Bowles Answers Questions Fired By Prosecutor

HILLSBORO, Ore., March 23 (AP)—Charged with the murder of his attractive, socially prominent wife, Nelson C. Bowles, young capitalist, stepped to the witness stand today, facing a prosecutor who was determined to break down his story that Mrs. Leone Bowles stabbed herself to death.

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Bowles With Prosecutor As Bowles Parried with the Prosecutor

As Bowles parried with the prosecutor, Miss Irma Loucks, former secretary to the young millionaire, and jointly accused with him of the murder, asserted each question and answer intently.

The state contends the two stabbed Mrs. Bowles to death. She died in Miss Loucks' apartment last Nov. 12, with a headknife in her heart. The defendants declare she killed herself after learning of their intimacies.

Bowles testified that he "probably had that thought in mind" when asked by Mowry if he intended marrying Miss Loucks if his wife divorced him.

He declared, however, he and the girl had definitely determined on Nov. 11 last to break their relation.

Miss Loucks, who died on Nov. 12, the district attorney then led the

OREGON RANKS SECOND AS TO FOREST FUNDS

PORTLAND, Ore., March 23 (AP)—Altogether \$14,477,000, Oregon will receive forest highway funds from the federal treasury in 1932, Regional Forester C. J. Buck has been notified.

California will receive the largest amount. The total to be expended in the 33 states is \$9,600,000, a like amount to that for 1931.

The work will be pushed to relieve unemployment, Buck said.

Believe It Or—Here's The Story

CHICAGO, March 23 (AP)—When your hat blows off while you are riding high in an airplane and falls down in somebody's backyard, the thing to do is to swoop down to where it lands, pick it up, and then fly on again.

J. V. Neill, an aviator, trying out a new plane, did this today. The yard in which the hat landed is 20 feet wide and 100 feet long. After he reclaimed his hat by landing in the restricted space, he jumped it on a bit tighter and took off from the yard, and sailed high into the heavens again after dodging a few telephone wires.

He had a passenger with him.

Rowboat Overturns; One Man Drowned

BARLOW, March 23 (AP)—The storm swelled waters of the Molalla river today claimed one life and placed a second in jeopardy when the rowboat containing Earl M. Lane, about 26, of Woodburn, and his employer, was overturned, and Lane went to his death. The accident occurred about 9:10 a. m. First reports had it that Jess Higdon, Lane's employer, was the other man in the boat. He reached shore only after a mighty struggle.

Paul Kassay Held On Grave Charge

AKRON, Ohio, March 23 (AP)—Paul F. Kassay, 37, Goodyear Zeppelin employee, who is alleged to have made a remark which showed he intended to commit sabotage against the giant navy Zeppelin, Akron, was indicted by the Summit county grand jury today on a charge of violating the state criminal syndicalism law.

PORTORICO HAS WELCOME FOR HOOVER

Ponce in Holiday Regalia When President of U. S. A. Steps Ashore.

ADMINISTRATION IS GIVEN PRAISE

Porto Ricans Visualize Pan-American Commonwealth Under the Stars and Stripes.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, March 23 (AP)—Thousands welcomed President Hoover here at 12:30 this afternoon. The president went immediately to the governor's palace upon his arrival, pausing only long enough to receive a salute from the 65th regiment of the army.

Ponce, Porto Rico, Mar. 23 (AP)—The battleship Arizona, with President Hoover and two members of his cabinet aboard, anchored outside Ponce harbor at 8 a. m. today and began immediately to debark the president's party by motor boat to the quay here.

City Welcomes Executive

The city was bedecked with flags, bunting and banners which screamed the word welcome—in Spanish "Bienvenido"—and a large triumphal arch had been erected across the entrance to the city from the sea. The occasion, the city was enjoying a double holiday. The emancipation fête which fell yesterday having been carried over until the week day.

From Ponce, where Governor Roosevelt and island officials and political leaders were assembled to meet the president, the party was to go in a caravan of 26 automobiles across the island to San Juan where Mr. Hoover planned to make an address in answer to his welcome.

Enthusiastic Welcome

The president stepped ashore at 7:59 a. m. and was given an enthusiastic welcome by the great crowd which had awaited his arrival.

Mr. Hoover was the second president of the United States to visit Porto Rico.

FLIER UNHURT; RESCUE PLANE IS CRACKED UP

HORSE ISLAND, N. F., March 23 (AP)—Pilot Bob Pegg, who flew from Concord, N. H., in a biplane, crashed on Horse Island today.

The plane was damaged, but neither Pegg nor his companion was seriously injured.

RESCUE SHIPS FREED

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., March 23 (AP)—Rescue ships freed from the grip of ice floes for nearly a week, were freed today and steamed off the coast of Newfoundland. It was expected that they would arrive here about eight o'clock tomorrow morning.

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Search Continues For F. H. Peacock

ASTORIA, Ore., March 23 (AP)—While the search continued for Francis Peacock, survivor of the master here, who disappeared last week, post office inspectors were expected today to reveal the extent of the alleged shortage in the mails accounts. Postmaster C. V. Haderman said the audit of his accounts will be completed today.

Peacock disappeared shortly after federal inspectors arrived for the annual audit. Preliminary checks indicated, they said, that a shortage of from \$6,000 to \$10,000 exists in the books of the office.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, March 23 (AP)—With traders actively operating on assumptions that to get an adequate export outlet for the 1931 crop, United States wheat prices would have to undercut the Winnipeg market, wheat plunged down here today more than 11 cents a bushel in some cases. Sell in Chicago was largely against purchases at Winnipeg. Chicago quotations went below any witnessed since 1905, when July wheat sold at 50 1/2 cents, the bottom most level ever touched since trading in monthly future delivery contracts was first adopted.

Formal announcement by the United States farm board that price stabilization operations in this country would not be extended to the 1931 domestic crop was the immediate occasion of severe breaks, ranging from a shade to 2 1/2 cents down except July delivery which finished 9 cents off.