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SNOW FALLS IN NORTHWEST AREA TODAY

La Granders Find White Blanket When They Leave Beds Today.

WINTER RETURNS TO MOUNTAIN AREA

Montana in For Storms And Cold — Blizzard Descends Upon Utah And Southern Idaho.

Whether it was Old Man Winter's last defiant gesture or whether he intends to make March miserable for awhile was not known today, but at any rate La Granders found a light covering of snow when they left their beds this morning.

Throughout the morning, although the white blanket melted more or less rapidly, flurries of snow occurred. The temperature was noe far below normal, with a minimum of 29 above, only three degrees below freezing point.

The weather forecast indicated clearing weather but with freezing temperatures for Eastern Oregon tonight.

Elsewhere in the west worse conditions were reported

WINTER VISITS MONTANA

HELENA, Mont., March 25 (AP) — Montana, says the weather bureau, is in for a spell of winter.

With a storm pointing this way from the north, government forecasters sent out warning today to stockmen that a cold wave, with blizzard conditions, is in prospect west of the continental divide.

A snowstorm approaching blizzard conditions at Great Falls and ranging from that point southward through Butte, Helena, and Dillon to Pocatello, Idaho was reported by weather bureau and airways observers.

Sub-zero temperatures were reported from the Canadian provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

The past winter in Montana has been one of the mildest on record.

BLIZZARD IN UTAH, IDAHO

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, March 25 (AP)—A snowstorm of blizzard proportions descended upon Utah and Southern Idaho today but farmers depending upon irrigation for bountiful crops this year welcomed the precipitation.

Although the snow melted as it

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MASONS FORM CLUB; PLAN HOME-COMING

The different bodies of the Masonic order of La Grande met last night at the Masonic hall to organize a social club. Organizations included are the Eastern Star, Rainbow Girls, Masons, Chapter, Knights Templars, De Molay and their families.

Alfred Cook was elected president of the new organization, and Mrs. Andrew Loney Jr., secretary-treasurer.

Plans were started for a celebration of home-coming sometime during May in the new Masonic building, and the building will be completed with the group meets on April 15, at 7:30 at the Masonic hall, it is reported.

Invitations to join will be extended to all Masonic orders.

Negro Given $50 Fine Or 25 Days

Fred Warrior, negro, who was arrested the other night at Fourth and Adams after he chased another negro, attired in nightclothes, from his home, was found guilty of a disorderly conduct charge in muncipal court last night. Judge C. M. Humphreys gave him his choice of a $50 fine or 25 days in jail, and this morning Warrior had not raised the money.

Pioneer Stockman Passes at Baker

BAKER, Ore., March 25 (AP) —William H. Colton, 76, pioneer stockman of Eastern Oregon, and resident of Baker for 22 years, died at his home here yesterday.

He was for many years engaged in the sheep business in Pine Valley, where he moved after marrying Miss Caroline Thrasher in Umatilla county in 1881. She survives him. He also operated the Eagle sawmill in Umatilla ccunty for eight years.

Besides his widow Colton is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Charles Duby and Mrs. Phillip Eichmorn of Baker; Mrs. Wallace Richardson of Eagle Valley, Mrs. William Parker of Haines, and Mrs. John Schuman of Kellogg, Idaho, and by five sons, George of Parma, Idaho, Charles and William of Baker, John of Lower Powder, and Dan Colton of Henrietta, Okla.

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Fair tonight and Thursday, frosts in the west and freezing temperatures in the east portion.
Strong northwest winds, diminishing offshore.

WEATHER TODAY

7:30 a. m.—30 above.
Minimum: 29 above.
Condition: cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 51, minimum 30 above.
Condition: partly cloudy, traces of snow (during night).

WEATHER MAR. 25, 1930

Maximum 59, minimum 39 above.
Condition: cloudy

Ministers Make Plans For Holy Week Observance

Co-operative Service to be Held Following Palm Sunday — Public Asked to Attend.

Holy Week, beginning next Sunday, is to be observed in La Grande churches by co-operative services under the auspices of the La Grande Ministerial association, according to announcement made by that group. Each church is to have its own Palm Sunday program oz services on March 29, and beginning with Monday evening at 7:30, co-operative services at a different church each evening will be held and the ministerial association invites the public to a period of meditation and prayer.

A different member of the association will speak each evening on some theme challenging people to a finer Christian life, they state, and no pastor will speak in his own church. The meetings will continue throughout the week.

Separate Easter Services

On Easter Sunday the pastors will be in their own churches giving the Easter message and directing local activities. The association urges a large attendance at every service.

There will be special music in keeping with the season, provided by the church that is host. Holy Week is of such significance in the Christian calendar that an hour and a half a day should be given to these services, it is said. The association,

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O. S. C. Band To Arrive In City Early Thursday

Attired in new and colorful military uniforms, the Oregon State college band will arrive in La Grande early Thursday, March 26, in time to make several public appearances before giving a concert that evening in the High school auditorium. The band will stage a street parade in full regalia some time during the day.

The concert in the evening is being sponsored by La Grande High school. A dance at Zuber hall with the selected college dance orchestra as music will follow the concert.

Forty-five of the best college musicians are in the band, which includes a saxophone quartet and an eight-piece collegiate dance band composed of band members and selected as the pick of the campus musicians.

The band program itself will feature such famous numbers as "William Tell Overture," "Semiramide," "Stars and Shripes Forever," including a number of college medleys used in Chicago. Ted Gilbert, of Albany, a radio singer of considerable experience and a member of the band will contribute several selections. Incidently he won the local audition in the Atwater-Kent contest last year and competed in the state contest in Portland. In addition to the regular concert numbers a varied program which includes vocal and instrumental solos, quartet features and two reels of campus life will be offered. Even the campus clowns will be at large.

During its stay in La Grande, the band will be quartered at the Sacajawea Inn.

Grand Jury In Session Today At Court House

Any new developments in the Fowler case and the reported shortage of $112,202.02 from the La Grande city treasurer between now and June, when Mrs. Emma Fowler is again scheduled to go on trial in Baker, are likely to come from a grand jury investigation that opened today, local officials believe.

The grand jury session, which began at 10 o'clock this morning in the court house, was called for today in an order issued Monday afternoon by Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles.

It is possible that other matters will be taken up by the grand jury but indications are that the Fowler case investigation will occupy most of its time.

Members of the grand jury follow: W. F. Brock, foreman; J. D. Smith, James Scott, Jay Breshears, John W. Davis, E. H. DeLong and Royal Conley.

Seek Suitable Place For Fair

A committee, consisting of P. A. Epling, E. H. DeLong, A. W. Nelson and H. G. Avery, was appointed yesterday afternoon at a meeting of the chamber of commerce and grange committees to find a suitable location for the Home Products show and Grange fair, to be held jointly this fall.

A general plan was discussed, and it provided for no charge for admission to the show. A committee from the grange is already making out a premium list and expect to have it ready for publication within a month.

Legionnaires Will Visit Elgin Post

Local members of the American Legion and Legion auxiliary will go to Elgin Friday evening to participate in a special social event planned by Hugh Brady, district commander, which will be attended by several prominent workers from other parts of the state. Both the La Grande and the Enterprise drum corps will be present, and the special guests will be J. M. Biggs, state commander; Mrs. Callie Heider, of Sheridan, state president of the auxiliary, and Mrs. Catherine Belcher, of The Dalles, district committeewoman.

There will be dancing, one or two brief addresses, and several entertainment features. Two men from Elgin will sing a duet, Raymond O. Williams, of La Grande, will sing a solo, and Norman Deslet will also participate in the program.

EAST OREGON FARMERS TO GET RELIEF

Senator Steiwer and W. P. Mahoney, of Heppner, Complain to Hyde.

LOANS, CREDIT TO BE RECEIVED

Former Governor Davis, of Idaho, to Hold Series of Conferences With Oregon Farmers.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25 (AP) —Criticism that Grand Forks, N. D., farm relief officers "are so ignorant of Eastern Oregon conditions that they are making a farce of this so-called relief," has brought the announcement from the department of agriculture that Oregon farmers will receive direct loans and immediate credit. Money will thus be available for summer fallowing.

The announcement was made by Secretary Hyde, who said ex-governor Davis of Idaho will confer immediately with Oregonians on their farm problems.

Steiwer, Mahoney Protest

Criticism by Senator Frederick Steiwer of Pendleton, Ore., and W. P. Mahoney, banker of Heppner, Ore., of inadequate service to Oregon, was met by Hyde's announcement.

Both declared there is no man on the "various administration boards with a knowledge of northwest conditions."

Mahoney declared the government has failed "to provide any immediate or permanent relief in any particular."

Former Governor Davis will at once undertake series of conferences with Orego farmers, the secretary promised.

PLANS CONFERENCES

PORTLAND, March 25 (AP) — A series of conferences with Eastern Oregon farmers will be undertaken at once by D. W. Davis, former governor of Idaho, representing the agricultural credits division, with a view to making money available to farmers to carry on summer fallowing operations.

Davis, special representative for the department in the administration of farm loans, was here today for formal organization of the advisory committee for Oregon, to consist of W. H. Steiwer, banker of Fossil; D. N. Mackay, Condon attorney, and A. R. Altermatt, Shaniko banker.

Loans to Oregon farmers are to be made from the ten million dollar fund set aside for the nation by the department of agriculture.

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MILK POISONING FATAL TO CHILD

Middle-Aged Missouri Farm Woman Confesses Causing Baby's Death.

HARRISONVILLE, Ma., March 25 (AP)—Martha Kennedy, middle aged, unmarried farm woman, confessed today causing the death of 21-months-old Winfred York, by placing poison in milk supplied to the children of her farm tenants, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer York.

"I wanted to make them sick so they wouldn't drink so much milk," Miss Kennedy said. She pleaded guilty to a murder charge at her arraignment and was bound over to the circuit court.

Miss Kennedy and her two bachelor brothers, Alexander and William Kennedy, were arrested yesterday in connection with the death of the infant whose life ended in convulsions 30 minutes after drinking milk from the Kennedy farm.

Brother Recovering

The child's brother, Donald, tasted the milk and became ill. He is recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. York, South Carolina mountaineers, tenants on the 200-acre farm of the Kennedys, were arrested today in connection with the infant's death. Mrs. York, 19 years old, is an expectant mother. The charges against them are expected to be dismissed.

Miss Kennedy displayed no emotion as she related she had poured the poison into the Yorks' milk jar before it was filled. Officers said she also admitted she had poisoned a dog owned by the Yorks last February.

During the arraignment she sobbed on the shoulder of one of her brothers.

Cook Identifies Brothers as Man Who 'Ran Away'

Gangster Pointed Out in Court Room During Trial—Accused of Slaying Alfred Lingle.

CHICAGO, March 25 (AP)—The name of Frank Foster, Chicago gangster was brought into the Leo Brothers murder trial today by an eye witness who said he saw Foster and Brothers flee from the Randolph Street pedestrian tunnel after Alfred (Jake) Lingle, Tribune crime reporter, was assassinated last June.

CHICAGO, March 25 (AP)—Another finger was pointed at Leo Brothers today as a witness in his murder trial testified "there is the man that ran away after Alfred Lingle was killed."

Otto Swoboda, a cook who said he was standing outside the Chicago public library on the afternoon when Lingle, Tribune crime reporter, was killed, related rapidly with a decided Bohemian accent the events of last June 9.

"I saw a man standing near entrance to tunnel," he said. "He kept his left hand in his pocket and when he threw down a cigaret another man came up and lit a new one for him.

"I walked down in tunnel and pretty soon somebody run by, bumped into me and knocked my cigaret out of my hands. I look up and it was the same I saw up on sidewalk. Then I heard shot and this same man come running back. I run up the stairs to street and see him again, just before he start running across the street."

Identifies Him

"Do you see that man in the courtroom?" Swoboda was asked.

"Yes, there he is over there," answered the witness, and he pointed at Brothers.

Swoboda was the second witness to identify Brothers as the man who ran away after the assassination. Warren Williams yesterday pointed out Brothers as the man seen fleeing after the shooting.

Swoboda said he noticed two spots on the face of the man who jostled him in the subway and that these spots helped him identify the defendant.

Brothers looked directly at the witness as he made his identification.

In cross-examining Swoboda, the defense went into the witness' life in detail, bringing out he had been out of employment for long periods.

Swoboda said he was offered a job as a chef on a railroad soon after the Lingle murder but that Pat Roche, chief investigator for the state's attorney office, asked him not to take the job.

Prof. Jones Is Speaker Today At Rotary Meet

William Jones, professor of economics at Willamette university at Salem, spoke on the subject of "Politics" at today's Rotary club luncheon in the La Grande hotel. In an interesting way he explained why "the candidate we favor is not elected."

Prof. Jones stated that there are four characteristics that must surround a man in order that he may be successful in politics—he must be a "party" man, he must live in the right part of the country, he must have a good reputation (he said the party leaders are now building up men for the 1932 campaign), and he must have money or have men back of him who have money.

An intercity meeting has been arranged for 6 p. m. Saturday, Apr. 11 at Walla Walla, it was announced. The April program committee was appointed as follows: P. R. Finlay, E. F. McFadden and R. D. Scott. A new member, Dr. James Haun, was received. Visitors were Mr. Goodman and Mr. Rogers, of Walla Walla.

Breshears To Bring Back Jack Bacon

Sheriff Jesse Breshears, who went to Salem yesterday to take Thompson to the penitentiary, continued on southward today toward Redwood City, California, near San Francisco, where authorities are holding Jack Bacon, who is wanted in La Grande on charges of passing bad checks. The sheriff will take Bacon into custody and bring him back to La Grande.

Crew of Schooner Seek to Beach Her

SANTA CRUZ, Cal., March 25 (AP) —With the holds of the lumber schooner Tamalpais filling with water through gaping seams, her crew of 15 was trying to beach the little wood craft at Santa Cruz today.

The craft, carrying 205,000 feet of redwood lumber, grounded at Moss Landing Saturday night after her rudder was snapped off against a reef.

Spring Grid Practice Nears End; Track Men Already Loosening Up

Following 10 days of spring football practice, the squad was divided at La Grande High last night and two elevens battled through four 10-minute quarters in the mud. Torrence was head man of one team and Owsley, 1930, center, led the others. Torrence's team won 13 to 2, bucking two touchdowns over the line but yielding a safety.

Torrence played in the backfield, and both teams reeled off several long runs. Clifford Cochran, back, performed in excellent style and looks like good material for the 1931 first team. Richards Miller, who tips the scales at 200 pounds and who formerly played in the line, showed promise of developing into a hard-hitting fullback.

The line material looks much better on the whole than the backfield, and Coach Ira Woodie expects to have a crack bunch of forwards next fall to defend the Eastern Oregon championship.

Friday afternoon about 3:45 o'clock, the seniors, led by Faus, Conley, Parker, et al. will tackle the pick of the underclassmen, and the seniors are anxious to "hang it on" the younger men. The seniors have been practicing regularly of late and the battle promises to be plenty interesting. The public is invited and there will be no charge. This game will conclude spring practice.

Track Men Loosening Up

Track men, anxious to regain the Eastern Oregon championship from Pendleton, who last year broke a long string of La Grande victories, are loosening up and next week, weather permitting, will begin training in earnest. La Grande has several veterans on the squad this year, including Fred Nowland, crack hurdler; Corwin Beery, Eastern Oregon 220-yard champion, and several others.

The schedule has not been completed but it is doubtful if any interscholastic meets will be held here this spring. Mac-Hi or Baker will get the Eastern Oregon meet, which will come about a week before the state

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PHYSICIANS ON STAND IN BOWLES CASE

Evidence to Support Suicide Claims Introduced by the Defense.

THRUST OF KNIFE IS DEMONSTRATED

Scrapings From Spots on Floor of Kitchen Fail to Show Any Traces of Blood.

HILLSBORO, Ore., March 25 (AP)—The defense rested its case in the Bowles murder trial shortly after court convened after the noon recess today. The state immediately opened its rebuttal testimony.

HILLSBORO, Ore., March 25 (AP)—Evidence to support the defense contention that Mrs. Leone Bowles, young Portland society matron, took her own life after confronting her husband and his former secretary in the latter's apartment, was offered in the Washington county court house here today as the Bowles murder trial neared its conclusion.

Nelson C. Bowles, 34-year-old capitalist, and Miss Irma Loucks, 28, his former secretary, are charged with stabbing Mrs. Bowles to death.

Dr. Ernest A. Sommer, one of a half dozen prominent Portland physicians subpoenaed by the defense, was the first witness called to the stand today.

Lived 20 Minutes

Dr. Sommer testified Mrs. Bowles must have lived at least 20 minutes after the long-bladed breadknife had pierced her breast. He explained the blade penetrated to the peri-cardial sac and pierced the pulmonary artery. He told of flexing the muscles of the arm to see if it would reach to inflict such a deep wound, and said the position of the wound followed the natural arc of the arm.

Mrs. Bowles died in Miss Loucks' apartment. After discussing a divorce with her husband and Miss Loucks, the pair declare, she went into the kitchen for a glass of water. While there, they say, she suddenly picked

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CONFIRMATION OF SLAYING IS NOT RECEIVED

ENTERPRISE, Ore., Mar. 25 (AP) —Officials here were today inclined to doubt the report that a man named Cleve Montgomery had been shot to death in the wild Joseph creek country of Wallowa county, north of here.

No confirmatory information had been received here, although county officers were investigating.

Reports from Lewiston, Idaho, said information had been received there that Montgomery had been slain in an argument over cattle.

Pendleton Not To Play In Alaska

PORTLAND, March 25 (AP) — Pendleton's state championship basketball team will not have an opportunity to tangle with the Ketchikan, Alaska five. This was decided by John L. Gary, secretary of the Oregon state high school athletic association, who notified the Ketchikan chamber of commerce it would be unable to accept the latter's invitation.

The Oregon board has agreed it must maintain a constant policy, Gary said, and inasmuch as past intersectional games have not been approved, this one will not be.

Athlete Admits Kidnaping Couple

MINNEAPOLIS, March 25 (AP)—Police today announced Gordon A. Bjornson, Wahpeton, N. D., athlete, had signed a confession admitting he kidnaped Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Leach, Wahpeton, and extorted $25,000 from the banker.

The 23-year-old youth, who surrendered today, said he would waive extradition and return to Wahpeton to face charges of kidnaping and extortion.

Harold Boone Is Elected Director

EUGENE, Ore., March 25 (AP)—Leonard Gilkey, of Albany, was today elected president of the Commercial Secretaries Association of Oregon, at its eleventh annual conference at the school of business administration of the University of Oregon.

Other officers are: E. C. Bremer, Portland, vice president; E. G. Harlan, Portland, secretary.

Directors are Andrew P. Davis, Marshfield; Earl C. Reynolds, Klamath Falls and Harold Boone, La Grande.

Portland Gas War Continuing Today

PORTLAND, Ore., March 25 (AP)—Presaging further developments in Portland's gasoline price "war," one large east side station was today selling motor fuel for 12½ cents a gallon. The average price was 14½ cents, although many stations were retailing for 13½ cents. Filling stations owned or under lease from the major oil companies generally were displaying 15½ cents signs.

Reports of short measure were becoming prevalent throughout the city, and one large filling station today displayed a prominent banner, "full measure guaranteed."

FAVOR CONTROL

Mrs. Robert E. Speer, above, president of the national board of the Y. W. C. A. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller Jr., below, were signers, respectively, of minority and majority reports giving qualified approval by the Federal Council of Churches of birth control. Varying shades of opinion were revealed among the committee after several years of study, but all united that some form of control of the size of families is needed.

HERO OF WORLD WAR PASSES ON

Admiral Plunkett, Who Silenced "Big Berthas," Dead in Washington.

WASHINGTON, March 25 (AP) — Rear Admiral Charles P. Plunkett, whose efforts silenced "Big Bertha's" bombardment of Paris during the World war, is dead at 67, a victim of heart disease.

In command of the naval railway battery, he shattered the morale of the German army by putting powerful battleship rifles on wheels and trundling them up to wreak havoc along the front lines.

His persistence and aggressiveness resulted in placing of the "battleships on wheels," five mobile units suporting as many 14-inch naval rifles, in strategic positions. They formed a battery of long range guns called "America's answers to the big Berthas."

Admiral Plunkett, born in Washington, February 15, 1864, the son of an army major, graduated from the naval academy in 1884. He had 48 years of service and was retired for age on February 15, 1928.

Received Decorations

The distinguished service medal, the rank of commander of the legion of honor, and the Portuguese order of the tower and sword were awarded him, along with a citation, for his war record.

Although muzzling the long-range German guns perhaps was more picturesque, the most important work of the naval railway batteries was considered in the official naval history of the war as bombardment of Longuyon, Montmedy, Conflans and other centers along the German main line of communication west of Metz and Sedan.

General John J. Pershing wrote that "our highest hope was gained" in this work which left the enemy

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INDICTMENT IS RUSHED WEST BY AIRPLANE

WASHINGTON, March 24 (AP)—The grand jury of the District of Columbia late yesterday returned a murder indictment against George Pierce Tucker, held in jail in Los Angeles, charged with the murder of Miss Kirk, 68-year-old umbrella mender. She was killed in 1926.

Officials said the indictment, together with a warrant for Tucker's arrest, has been sent to Los Angeles by air mail to expedite procedure.

The indictment charges Tucker murdered the woman by suffocating her with a shawl, and strangling her.

The grand jury examined fingerprints of Tucker, which police claimed, were identical with those found on the lens of Miss Kirk's spectacles. The jury also had before it Tucker's purported confession which he later repudiated.

Hungry Wolves Menace Woodsmen

SAULT STE. MARIE, Ont., March 25 (AP) — Wolves, emboldened by hunger, are coming down out of the hills in Moran township, east of here and have become a menace to woodsmen and isolated settlements.

The scarcity of moose and deer and the lack of deep snow in which prey is easily brought down, have caused the wolves to venture to the edge of civilization in search of food.

Oak Ballantyne, of Bruce mines, riding in a cutter, was followed for several miles by wolves but his horse outdistanced them in a race to camp.

Virgin Islands Gives President Hearty Welcome

Hoover Spending Day at St. Thomas—Practically Entire Population Turns Out for Occasion.

U. S. S. ARIZONA, March 25 (AP)—President Hoover, completing a brief visit to Porto Rico and the Virgin Islands, sailed aboard the U. S. S. Arizona for Norfolk this afternoon.

ST. THOMAS, Virgin Islands, March 25 (AP)—President Hoover came shore on the Virgin islands this morning through a line of boats decorated with flowers and flags to receive an ovation from a large crowd gathered on the docks.

Going immediately to the governor's house he entered the reviewing stand to watch a colorful and interesting parade.

As the president landed, guns at the naval station boomed a salute and the president's flag was run up over the governor's house. Practically the entire population of the islands either watched or took part in the parade. The marching line included school children carrying flags, a number of bands.

Governor Boards Ship

Dr. Paul M. Pearson, new governor of the Virgins islands, held a conference with the president aboard the Arizona this morning before the party disembarked for lunch.

When the president came on deck he was greeted by scores of boats with diving boys circling the battleship. The boats and canoes were decorated with tropical flowers and the boys yelled "throw us some pennies!" Many of those aboard the warship did so but the president refrained.

Dr. Pearson was greeted by the governor's salute as he came aboard the warship, and the band played the "Star Spangled Banner."

As the president stepped ashore he was greeted by Leroy Nolte, chairman of the colonial council, who said "It gives me intense joy as a son of the soil of the Virgin islands to greet you. It is the greatest occasion in history for us. Long live democracy! Hail to the chief! Hurrah!"—the president bowed in response.

Views Historic Fort

From the reviewing stand at the governor's house the president could

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Fatal Riots In Spain and India; Red Banner Up

MADRID, March 25 (AP) — After a four-hour battle in which one policeman was killed and a score of police and students were wounded, rebellious students of the San Carlos medical school abandoned the fortified building today.

Police made no effort to detain the students who ran out a rear door and escaped through the streets. However, authorities surrounded the vicinity of the building to guard against further attempts at rioting.

The red banner of revolution floated openly above the school during the siege. Its roofs teemed with students watching the fray and the streets congested with other spectators. Occasionally the youths sallied forth throwing stones at their besiegers.

Shots Exchanged

The students barricaded themselves in the building early in the day and engaged in intermittent rifle fire with authorities. At first the police used air pistols to parry the attack. Traffic was suspended in the neighborhood.

Eight police were known to have been seriously wounded and perhaps 20 students. Two of the youths were

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Pinch Leads To Chase and Wound

NEW YORK, March 25 (AP)—Philip Lehiman, a 23-year-old salesman, knows now to what a little pinch may lead.

Mrs. Ida Cardell, who said she felt the pinch as she sat next to Lehiman in a talkie theatre, removed a shoe and banged him on the head with the heel.

Lehiman made a hurried exit. Mrs. Cardell followed. Ushers followed her. Just plain seekers after excitement followed the ushers.

The chase, in fact, assumed such proportions it attracted the attention of three detectives who were seeking shelter from the rain in a doorway. One of them shot Lehiman in the leg.

Prison doctors also treated him for a cut on the scalp where the high heel left its mark.

Father, Children Killed In Wreck

CHICAGO, March 25 (AP)—A father taking his children to school drove his automobile in front of a Soo line train in suburban Des Plaines today and three were killed. The dead: John Klinker, 50, Ferne 10, and Marie, 13. Roy, 8, was probably fatally injured.

ALASKAN VOLCANO ACTIVE

DUTCH HARBOR, Alaska, March 25 (AP)—An unnamed volcano on the east end of Umnak Island, 75 miles to the westward of here, was active today. So far there have been no casualties.

Volcanic peaks in the Aleutians and on the Alaska Peninsula have been giving indications that a new period of activity has begun. Mountains which have been inactive for a number of years have been reported smoking.

JAVA VOLCANO ERUPTING

BATVIA, Java, March 25 (AP) — New eruptions of the volcano Merapi since Sunday, have caused authorities to order the evacuation of three villages on which reconstruction work had commenced after previous eruptions. The stream of lava is advancing about 30 yards daily.

DISPOSAL OF WHEAT PLANS ARE OUTLINED

Farm Board Says Matter Will Depend Upon Extent of Spring Planting

WILL DETERMINE POLICY OF GROUP

If Plantings Smaller Than Usual, Some Sales May Be Made — No Embarrassment Expected.

HUTCHINSON, Kan., March 25 (AP) —The amount of wheat planted this year will shape to a large extent the farm board's policy for disposing of its 200,000,000 bushels of stabilization purchases.

Chairman Stone, speaking today before a joint meeting of the Farmers' Cooperative Grain Dealers association of Kansas and the Farmers' Cooperative Commission company, said:

"What wheat growers do at planting time this spring and next fall will be an important factor in determining the sales policy for stabilization stocks."

Great Interest

Great interest has been expressed in how rapidly and through what channels the board would sell the cereal bought to maintain domestic prices. This was the first word in this connection since the board's announcement it would not support the market after May, and that the stocks would be sold so as "to impose the minimum of burden on domestic and world prices."

Should plantings be smaller than usual, the board is expected to make some sales. If the opposite should prove true, it may agree to hold its wheat for an indefinite period.

Defending resumption of stabilization operations last fall, Stone said it had been found necessary to protect the market and banks from an expected precipitate drop to a price of about 50 cents.

Tells of Discovery

"When wheat prices dropped about the fifteenth of November to a level close to 70 cents in Chicago," he said, "we found out definitely that if the market dropped another cent or two per bushel there were at least 40 to 50 million bushels of wheat held by various parties upon which money had been borrowed from the banks which would have been dumped on an unwilling market at this level to protect these loans.

"If this had been done, it was the opinion of some of the best informed grain men in the country that American wheat prices would have gone considerably below 50 cents per bushel at Chicago, which would have meant financial disaster not only to the farmers who still had their wheat on hand, but also hundreds of banks in the middle west.

"The damage this would have done is almost incalculable. It would have

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BLOODY HAT, GRUBBING-AX ARE STUDIED

HOOD RIVER, Ore., March 25 (AP) —The mystery of a blood-stained grubbing-ax and an old felt hat, its band smeared with blood, occupied the attention of Hood River county officers today.

Sheriff's deputies yesterday searched the old shack on the Edmund Gehrig farm in which the articles were found, without discovering any additional clues to the "murder" mystery.

Matted hairs found on the bloody ax, and similar hairs found in that hat, were said by the coroner to have been from a human being. The hat, blood-smeared and with a slash in the crown such as might have been made by a blow from the ax, was found beside a pool of blood on the cabin floor.

No one in the vicinity has been reported missing, however, and the coroner said no further steps will be taken until he receives a report from the Oregon Medical school as to whether the blood was let from a human body. If it is human blood an intensive search will be made of the entire country side, both for the body of the victim and for the slayer.

Woman Walks 30 Miles to Safety

TIMBUCTOO, Upper Senegal, Africa, March 25 (AP) — Missing for more than four days on a return flight to Germany from West Africa, Fraulein Elly Beinhorn has arrived here afoot after a 30-mile hike across the burning desert sands.

The fraulein explained that after completing most of a 450-mile flight from Bammaku, from where she took off Thursday, she was forced down in the desert by an oil pipe leak. She managed to land safely, but had unsufficient runway for taking off again, so she trudged on here to get help.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, March 25 (AP) — Wheat rose today 2½ cents above yesterday's bottom level, but ran into profit-taking that wiped out much of the advance. The strength shown was largely associated with moves by the grain stabilization corporation that apparently precluded anxiety about any dumping of wheat holdings on the part of farm board allies. Trade was of liberal volume as a result also of the farm board's announcement of a hands-off policy regarding the 1931 crop.

Wheat closed irregular, ½ cent lower to 1¼ higher, corn ⅜-1⅛ up, oats ¼-½ advanced, and provisions unchanged to a rise of 10 cents.