

# GOVERNOR IS INSTALLED IN MUKDEN SEAT

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Shin-Yi as Executive  
of Fengtien.

## COMPROMISES ARE UNDER WAY, REPORT

New Japanese and Chinese  
Governments Negotiating—  
Still Some Scattered  
Fighting.

By The Associated Press  
Tsang Shin-Yi has been set up by the Japanese as governor of the Manchurian province of Fengtien, with his capital at Mukden. This appeared to be a move in the direction of establishing a new autonomous Manchuria. A conference was in prospect between the new governor and the governors of the two other Manchurian provinces but whether such an arrangement would command the loyalty of the country's 30,000,000 Chinese was a matter of speculation. No matter how it works out the Japanese intend to be the real governing power, it appeared.

## Some Fighting

There was still scattered fighting, with Japanese troops in action against Chinese bandits, primarily to protect investments in railways and farms. Tokyo and Nanking, where governments have been in the past few days, were negotiating compromises. The new Japanese regime is in the minority in parliament, but it appeared unlikely any attempt would be made to overthrow the government now in power.

With Chiang Kai-Shek out in China, a coalition government, with the Cantonese having the upper hand for the time being, seemed the most likely outcome.

Tokyo has dropped a proposal to send a new division into Manchuria because the Chinese general, Chang Hsueh-Liang, apparently was ready to withdraw from Chinchow.

## DENIES RESIGNATION

NANKING, China, Dec. 16 (AP)—High government and military officials denied today that T. V. Soong, finance minister in the government

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## HOUSE BURNS EARLY TODAY; LOSS \$1000.00

An unoccupied house at 2501 Spruce street was practically destroyed by fire at an early hour this morning. There was little furniture in the building, only a bed, a stove and a davenport, it is reported, and loss is estimated at only about \$1000. The origin of the fire apparently was in the basement, but the cause is unknown. Fire Chief C. T. Lindquist said this morning that ownership had not been learned as yet, or whether there was insurance on the house.

The alarm was at 1:50 a. m. with the recall at 3 a. m. One hundred fifty feet of hose was laid. The firemen were handicapped by a severe wind.

## Adoration Pageant Will Be Presented

The adoration pageant "White Gifts for the King," picturing the adoration in the Bethlehem story and challenging the conservation of life to Christ through gifts of self, service and substance, is being prepared by the Presbyterian Sunday school under the direction of Mrs. Turner Oliver and Margaret Anson, and will be presented to the public as the Christmas program, Sunday evening, Dec. 20, 7:30 o'clock. Rev. George Wahl announced today.

The pageant has been compiled by P. E. Davidson. It sets forth the story of the birth of the Christ, and is dramatic and spiritual in effect. The regular Christmas entertainment with Santa and treats for the children, will be held in the church on Thursday evening, Dec. 24, 7:30 o'clock.

## WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Cloudy and unsettled tonight and Thursday with rain and snow in the west portion; continued cold; increasing southwest winds offshore.  
WEATHER TODAY  
7 a. m.—25 above.  
Minimum: 4 above (reading at 7 a. m. Tuesday).  
Condition: Cloudy.  
WEATHER YESTERDAY  
Maximum 28, minimum 4 above.  
Condition: Clear. Range—24 degrees.  
WEATHER DEC. 16, 1930  
Maximum 39, minimum 28 above.  
Condition: Cloudy; snow two inches; precipitation .35 of an inch. Range—11 degrees.

# Half-Time Work Given 200 Men By The County

Employment Furnished on  
Four Road Projects—  
Payroll of \$8000 Distributed Monthly.

Four road projects, furnishing half-time employment to 200 men, are being carried on by Union county at present, Judge U. G. Couch, county judge, stated this morning. The county is furnishing employment to as many men as possible, and those who cannot get employment are being furnished with groceries and provisions until they are able to find work.

A payroll of about \$8000 a month is being distributed among the road workers, according to an estimate made by Judge Couch. The four projects are Minam hill, the highway between Island City and Conley, the Starkey road and the Union-Medical Springs road.

As the Christmas season draws near, provisions are being made by a number of organizations for extensive welfare programs.

Through the program of the county carried out by Miss Alice Marquardt, county health nurse, and Judge Couch, clothing and provisions have been collected and are being distributed to all families coming to the attention of the county officials.

## Special Session Of Court Called For Next Month

A special session of the circuit court will be called at Enterprise in January, by Judge Marvin, county judge of Walla Walla county, and Cecil Childers, Enterprise business man, who were indicted by a special grand jury in Enterprise Monday. Judge J. W. Knowles returned last night after more than a week spent there holding grand jury and today announced the special session.

The two prominent Walla Walla county men were indicted in connection with the recent closing of the Joseph State bank. Marvin was president at the time the bank closed, and Childers was cashier.

Marvin pleaded not guilty when arraigned, but Childers pleaded guilty to falsifying an entry of \$2500 although he pleaded not guilty to a charge of embezzling \$1000. Embezzlements amounting to \$5000 were alleged by the grand jury.

Judge Knowles will hold a motion day tomorrow at the court house in La Grande.

## Weather Turns Warmer; Mercury Up 24 Degrees

After a couple of cold nights, the weather moderated in La Grande Tuesday and last night and at 7 o'clock this morning the official mercury showed a reading of 25 above zero. The unofficial figure for last night was 15 above. The government thermometer ranged from four above at 7 o'clock Tuesday morning to a maximum temperature of 28 above, then dropped several degrees during the night and moved up to 25 above this morning.

The sky this morning was overcast and local observers were predicting snow. Only a small amount of snow has fallen in La Grande so far.

## Joel Richardson Will Lead Masons

Joel Richardson was elected high priest of the Royal Arch Masons at a meeting last night at the Masonic hall. He succeeds A. J. Cook. Last year Mr. Richardson held the position of high priest. During the coming year Lyle Kiddie will hold that office, while E. D. Towler will fill the position of scribe, formerly held by Mr. Kiddie.

Recently the various Masonic lodges appointed committees to prepare programs for any social entertainments or activities held in connection with the George Washington bicentennial celebration. Last night a meeting of the committee was called and plans were made for a social entertainment to be held Jan. 6, the anniversary of George Washington's marriage.

## Herzinger Speaks At Rotary Meeting

E. C. Herzinger was the main speaker at today's Rotary club luncheon at the La Grande hotel, telling of his early experiences in Nevada City, Cal., etc., in a very interesting manner. In closing Mr. Herzinger said the 30 years he has spent in La Grande have made up the happiest period in his life. The club voted to give \$10 per month for one year toward continuance of the La Grande band.

# CROP VALUE FOR YEAR IS 4 BILLIONS

Total Farm Value of Nation's  
Crops Held at  
\$4,122,850,000.

## ABOUT HALF OF YIELD FOR 1929

Less Acreage Tilled in 1931—  
Wheat Crop Worth  
\$395,600,000, Government  
Estimates.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—The total farm value of the nation's crops this year was reported today by the department of agriculture at \$4,122,850,000, as compared with the revised figures of \$5,818,820,000 for last year's crops and \$9,088,494,000 for those of 1929.

The total acreage of these crops was reported as 350,872,000 for this year, compared with 359,927,000 acres last year and 357,827,000 acres in 1929.

The 1931 production of each crop and its farm value follow: corn 2-556,863,000 bushels, value \$920,142,000; winter wheat 787,465,000 bushels, value \$341,458,000; durum wheat 18,395,000 bushels, value \$8,730,000; other spring wheat 86,411,000 bushels, value \$45,779,000; all wheat 892,271,000 bushels, value \$458,369,000; oats 1,112,142,000 bushels, value \$119,865,000 and \$70,119,000.

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# WEDELL ABANDONS FLIGHT TO EAST

Lands at Pueblo, Colo.  
Behind Schedule After  
Losing His Way.

PUEBLO, Colo., Dec. 16 (AP)—J. R. Wedell landed here at 11:03 a. m. Mountain Standard time today and called off his transcontinental flight record attempt because of the slow time made to this point. The New Orleans racing pilot took off from Los Angeles at 5:09 a. m., Pacific Standard time.

He said he would leave this afternoon for New Orleans with his brother W. W. Wedell, who was in charge of refueling arrangements here.

At New Orleans, he said he would begin immediately to prepare for another attempt to break the record next spring.

Wedell said he encountered strong winds that reduced his speed to 90 miles an hour. He had lost his way for a time, he said.

The little, sandy-haired Southerner expected to cruise at 245 miles an hour. It is the same ship in which he recently set a record of 6 hours, 40 minutes between Agua Caliente, Mex., and Vancouver, B. C. He also took second place in it at the Thompson Trophy race in Cleveland last fall.

## TWO FLIERS RESCUED

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Paul Zimmerman and Eddie Moolde were

## JUDGE EKWALL GUEST TODAY AT LUNCHEON

With a large group of associates in the bar association and brother Elks assembled at the Sarajewo Inn this noon, Judge William A. Ekwall, of Portland, district deputy grand exalted ruler of the Elks for Oregon North, was honored at a luncheon shortly after his arrival by stage at 11:55. Judge Ekwall is prominent in the state of Oregon, both in his capacity as Elks leader and as circuit judge of the fourth judicial district, Multnomah county.

A special meeting of the Elks has been called in honor of the visitor tonight by Exalted Ruler Sherwood Williams, and will be held at 8 o'clock. Judge Ekwall will deliver an address and initiation will be held.

## Normal School Fall Term To End Friday—Nine Students Graduating

Harrassed looks on the faces of some of the Eastern Oregon Normal school students today marked the closing of final examinations. The fall term will close on Friday, with examinations continuing for the remainder of the week. President H. E. Finlow stated today. Nine seniors will complete the standard normal school course at the end of this semester.

# WESTERNERS CONTINUE TO FIGHT MOSES

Senate Adjourns Today in  
Deadlock After Nine-  
teenth Ballot.

## STEIWER IS GIVEN COMMITTEE POST

Protocol For American  
Adherence to World  
Court Laid Aside By  
Senate Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—The senate adjourned today after the nineteenth ballot of the session failed to break the deadlock over re-election of George Moses, of New Hampshire, as president pro tem.

The Western Republican independents opposing Moses switched their votes to Senator Herbert, Republican, of Rhode Island, and again there was no election.

Before resuming the balloting the senate discussed and laid aside the only bill before it—a measure for protection of wild life.

The first vote today resulted: Pittman, Democrat, 42; Moses, 32; Herbert 12; McNary 1.

## STEIWER GETS POST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—The senate Republican "young guard" and a western independent, will direct the party's steering committee charged with formulating the legislative program.

Senator Watson, of Indiana, the Republican leader, today named Senator Vandenberg, of Michigan, chairman. Other members are Hastings, Delaware; Kean, New Jersey, and Steiwer, Oregon, all members of the former "young guard" group, and Frazier, North Dakota, a western independent.

## INVESTIGATION ORDERED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—The tariff commission was ordered by the senate today to investigate the effect of depreciated value of foreign currencies upon importations of wood pulp and pulp woods.

A resolution introduced by Senator McNary, Republican, Oregon, calling for such an investigation, was adopted unanimously.

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# MULTNOMAH CO. SHERIFF DIES IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Dec. 16 (AP)—Thomas M. Hurlburt, 71, sheriff of Multnomah county, died at his home here today. He had been ill three weeks. Hurlburt was sheriff of Multnomah county for the past 17 years and had been in public life in Portland for the past 44 years. He served as city engineer, city surveyor, county surveyor and United States examiner of surveys.

Complications which developed from a severe cold which the sheriff contracted on a trip to his beach home at Ocean Park, Wash., on Nov. 25 caused his death, his physicians said.

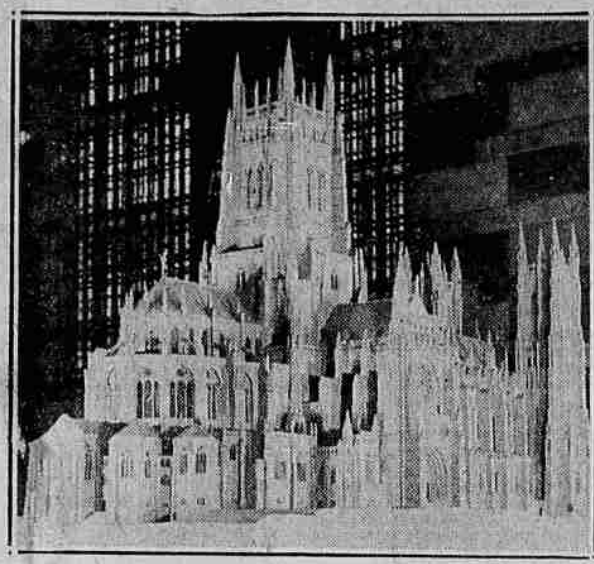
## Christmas Program Will Be Presented

A Christmas program, to be presented at the First Ward L. D. S. tabernacle Wednesday, Dec. 23 at 8 o'clock, is being planned and will be accompanied by music by the choir under the direction of Miss Barbara Hiatt. The program will be built around two living pictures, "The Christ Child" and "The Three Wise Men."

The choir will sing "A Stranger Star O'er Bethlehem" and "Silent Night, Holy Night," in which Miss Crystal Lamb and Mrs. Criselle Lester will sing an incidental duet. Miss Hiatt at the piano and Mrs. William M. Houghton at the pipe organ will play a duet. Dick Landay will play a violin solo, with organ accompaniment by Miss Hiatt.

Several other songs will be sung by the choir. The entire program will be announced later.

# HOW CATHEDRAL WILL LOOK



You're not looking at New York's new Cathedral of St. John the Divine. It hasn't been completed yet. This is just a model of the edifice, recently unveiled. The model weighs one ton, is nearly 13 feet long, seven feet wide and eight feet high.

# Ten Armed Men Rob Roachdale Bank Of \$4500

ROACHDALE, Ind., Dec. 16 (AP)—Ten men armed with machine guns and shotguns blew open the safe of the Roachdale State bank here early today and escaped with \$4500 in cash and bonds. The bandits severed telegraph and telephone cables and the town was cut off from communication with other places for some time.

Before entering the bank, the men kidnapped P. R. Jarvis, night telegraph operator of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, and locked him in the telephone office above the bank with Paul Smith, 18, operator, and her sister, age 7, who was spending the night with her.

The robbers then broke into the power plant and threw the switch.

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# S. P. Officials, Shopmen Unable To Make Terms

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16 (AP)—Their negotiations for conditional acceptance of a proposed wage cut having reached an impasse, shopmen's leaders returned home today while Southern Pacific officials were reported awaiting results of similar talks. A conference between railroad heads and the brotherhoods.

"We are so far apart in these wage discussions further conferences now are useless," a Southern Pacific official told H. C. Kinney, spokesman for the shopmen.

Southern Pacific shops over the entire western system from Portland, Ore., to San Francisco, Ogden, Utah and Tucuman, N. M., were ordered closed until Jan. 1, when the proposed wage cut would go into force. Railroad officials said closing of the shops was a seasonal occurrence.

At yesterday's conference the shopmen had provided the following conditions for acceptance of the wage cut:

That the company guarantee a minimum working week of four days. That if the railroad brotherhoods

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# Oregon Minister Elevated in Fargo

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 16 (AP)—Rev. Frederick Bethune Bartlett, who at Fargo, N. D., today was consecrated as Bishop of the Episcopal church for the district of North Dakota, began his ministry in the Portland diocese as a minister in Southern Oregon, with residence at Grants Pass.

He traveled a large circuit and became prominently identified with the religious life of the country. His next work was in the tenement district of Brooklyn, N. Y. Next he was dean of the northern convocation of South Dakota and rector of St. Marks church, Aberdeen.

Later he was director of field work in North Dakota, and in 1923 he went to Missouri as dean of the cathedral at St. Louis.

# Poli Negri III At Santa Monica

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Dec. 16 (AP)—Poli Negri, Polish film actress, who collapsed on the RKO-Pathe lot yesterday afternoon, is critically ill, her physician, Dr. Leo J. Madsen, said today.

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Dec. 16 (AP)—Uncertain as to whether she is suffering from ptomaine poisoning or from a recurrence of an appendix ailment, physicians today had Poli Negri, Polish film actress, under observation at the Santa Monica hospital.

# Body of Denver Official Found In Parked Car

Assistant District Attorney  
Battered and Mutilated—  
Police Hold to  
Gangster Theory.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 16 (AP)—Battered and mutilated, the body of Assistant District Attorney Joseph E. Graves was found in a parked car last night several hours after a stranger had appeared at his hotel apartment and threatened to "tear down the door" when denied admittance.

Deputy coroners said Graves had a fractured skull, a broken ankle, and that his body was covered with welts and bruises. He had been dead two hours when found. Although the coroner's office refused to advance a theory, police said they were investigating possibilities that Graves was killed by gangsters. It was also possible, they said, that he was killed in an automobile accident, or that he had been injured in a drunken fight. The assistant prosecutor was in charge of the case against E. B. Dill, accused swindler, recently arrested in Chicago. Police today were concentrating their search for the mysterious stranger who demanded entrance to Graves' apartment and became abusive when his request was denied. Hotel employees gathered from his conversation that Graves was injured and a bell boy hurried outside to be of assistance.

## Two Other Men in Car

The man then ran out and jumped into a car which was parked in the driveway and hurried away, the bell boy said. Two other men were in the car and one was slumped in a corner, he said. The car seemed to have been in an accident.

More than three hours later, Glen O. De Puy appeared at the home of Frank W. Allen, and told Allen that he and Graves were too drunk to go to a wrestling match with Allen as he had planned.

## Two Arrested

Allen, he said, suggested that Graves be invited in to get warm and that he went out to get Graves in the car. He found him dead. Although De Puy said Graves was alive when he left him, Deputy Coroner George Bestwick said he had been dead for two hours.

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# Culbertsons Go Ahead of Jacoby And Lenz Today

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Mrs. and Mrs. Ely Culbertson today had 410 more points than Sidney R. Lenz and Oswald Jacoby in a marathon test of rival systems of contract bridge.

The lead was accumulated during the seventh session of play which developed much argument as to whether each side was using its own system as stipulated and agreed. Eight rubbers were played and each team won four. But the Culbertsons converted a deficit of 15 points into a plus.

With virtually one third of the match—48 rubbers—finished the Culbertsons have won 23 rubbers, two less than their rivals. The plus of the Culbertsons for the series and for the seventh session is explained largely by the fact that the representatives of the "official" system have lost more by sets, especially when vulnerable. Earlier in the series Lenz and Jacoby often went down deliberately. That policy has ceased paying dividends for them.

1708 Ahead—Early Today  
It cost the Culbertsons' points also after 1 a. m. today. After the 47th rubber had been played they were 1550 ahead. Two more hands and their lead rose to 1700, the greatest

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# Associate Justice Johns Will Retire

PORTLAND, Dec. 16 (AP)—Associate Justice Charles A. Johns, of the supreme court of the Philippine Islands, soon will resign and retire to live in his Portland home.

This announcement came Tuesday from his home here where he has been confined to bed by illness.

Justice Johns, formerly a resident of Baker, was a member of the Oregon supreme court bench from 1918 to 1921 when President Harding appointed him to the Manila court.

# Postal Telegraph Boys Quit Today

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 16 (AP)—Between 30 and 35 Postal Telegraph messenger boys quit their jobs today, the company said, when representatives of the messengers informed the telegraph company the boys would strike unless guaranteed 30 cents an hour.

The company refused to meet the guarantee and said the boys' places were filled by unemployed men of the city.

# Narcotics Peddlers Escape From Prison

SEATTLE, Dec. 16 (AP)—Escaped from McNeil Island federal penitentiary two of Chinese narcotics peddlers, George Wong, 42, and Jim Eng, 33, was reported by prison officials in a long distance telephone message received here today.

# MFADDEN IS REBUFFED BY BEEDY, MAINE

Republicans Come to Support of  
Hoover in  
Moratorium Debate

## APPLAUSE RINGS THROUGH HOUSE

Storm Breaks Shortly  
After Undersecretary  
Mills Speaks—Stimson  
Also Urges Action.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—A strongly worded denunciation of the charges that President Hoover deceived the American people to aid Germany rang out today in the House. Representative Beedy, a Maine Republican, called the statement by McFadden, of Pennsylvania, another Republican "unquestionably a falsehood."

McFadden sat silent, listening, when Beedy said: "I never expected to live to read in the congressional record such an utterance from a man I believed to be a patriotic American citizen."

"I demand the proof that the president was an agent of the German government," he concluded.

## Republicans Applaud

The entire Republican side arose and applauded.

Representative Bankhead, Alabama Democrat, was applauded by both sides of the aisle when he called attention "that these (McFadden) charges—amounting in effect to an impeachment of the president of the United States for high crimes and misdemeanors, do not come from the Democratic side."

The storm of debate broke in the House shortly after Undersecretary Mills of the treasury told the senate finance committee that failure to ratify the moratorium would do irretrievable damage to the country.

Appearing before that committee at the same time Secretary Stimson was

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# MEXICAN FILM ACTRESS MUST PAY \$16,000.00

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 16 (AP)—For being "handyman" about the home of Dolores Del Rio, Mexican film actress, Gunther R. Lessing, an attorney, must pay \$16,000, in addition to \$4,000 already paid.

A judgment for this amount was awarded Lessing yesterday by a superior court. Lessing, who claimed his legal services were "special and extra," sued the actress for \$31,000.

Among the duties which Lessing said he performed for the actress was to arrange to decorate her dressing room, get an annulment of her secretary's marriage, prepare her relatives for immigration, arranged to have a Mexican tomato can named after her and protect her from adverse publicity. He described himself as a "handyman" about the actress' home.

# Utah Ex-Legislator Is Burned to Death

MARYSVILLE, Utah, Dec. 16 (AP)—William G. White, 70, former state legislator, was trapped in his bedroom and burned to death when his three-room home was destroyed by fire here early Tuesday morning.

The blaze was discovered by two youths and a volunteer fire department crew which responded to the alarm battled the flames in weather 16 degrees below zero for several hours. Firemen said they believed an over-heated stove had caused the blaze.

# Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Dec. 16 (AP)—In a remarkable display of strength, wheat prices rose late today to the topmost level reached since Nov. 24. Reports that temperatures as high as 100 prevailed in Argentina gave impetus to buying. There were also predictions France would have to enlarge soon the quota of foreign wheat allowed to millers. New export purchases of North American wheat totaled upward of 1,000,000 bushels, including some United States hard winter.

An overbought situation in the wheat pit, however, was disclosed just before the finish. Speculators started to sell, and found support lacking as a result of a quick price break at Winnipeg.

Wheat here closed nervous,  $\frac{3}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  lower than yesterday's finish, corn  $\frac{3}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  down, oats  $\frac{3}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  off, and provisions unchanged to 10 cents higher.

PORTLAND, Dec. 16 (AP)—The usual bearish anticipation of the government report to be issued after the closing caused the Portland futures market to slide off somewhat within the last few minutes but at that the market closed higher. Final December price was up  $\frac{3}{4}$  cent and May  $\frac{1}{2}$  cent. Total sales included 2,000 bu. May and 1,000 bu. July. On the merchants exchange cash wheat was unchanged.

