

BYRNES ASKS TRANSFER OF FARM BOARD

Senator From South Carolina Makes Proposal as Economy Move.

DUPLICATIONS ARE HELD UNNECESSARY

"How Can We Justify Two Departments of Agriculture," He Asks in Speech Today.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 15 (AP)—Transfer of farm board duties to the agriculture department was urged before the senate agriculture committee today by Senator Byrnes (D., S. C.) as an economy move.

He said the country was in favor of his bill to abolish the board. Congress and the country, he added, are convinced that further crop stabilization efforts are unwise. He testified it was unnecessary to maintain the farm board to encourage co-operative marketing, contending that could be done by the agriculture department.

Calling attention to the demand from President Hoover and others for consolidation of departments, Byrnes asked:

"If we are sincere how can we justify two departments of agriculture?"

He said the department and the board were duplicating effort and that to maintain both was extravagant.

Byrnes cited similar duplication in the case of the federal and state departments as an example of duplication of efforts.

The board, he said, "has outlived its usefulness to agriculture," because farmers have lost confidence in it.

For that reason, he added, co-operative marketing could be encouraged with better effect by the department than the board.

Byrnes said the board had conducted a publicity campaign to gain support for its activities and had unjustifiably used public funds to prevent its abolition.

Senator Norris (R., Neb.) suggested that action on Byrnes' bill should be postponed until after the proposed investigation of the board.

Byrnes said he was so convinced of the desirability of abolishing the board that he did not believe it necessary to await outcome of the inquiry.

"But, if there is any member of the committee who is not convinced of the board's extravagance," he said, "then wait for the investigation."

Chairman McNary pointed out that the farm organizations are all supporting the board.

Senator Capper (R., Kan.) said he had received many letters from farmers asking for a thorough investigation of the board.

TEACHERS OF COUNTY MEET AT COVE, ORE.

The Cove school teachers were hosts to the school masters of Union county last night at Cove, a large group attended from La Grande, including Miss Kate Houck, director of training at the J. H. Ackerman Training school, who spoke on "Herbert Evans, of Riveria school, who gave a short talk.

J. W. Baxter, Jr., of Union, discussed manual training, and the hosts presented a group of musical numbers.

Miss Powder will entertain the Schoolmasters club on April 11.

Enterprise-Wilbur Ranch Deal Closed

ROSEBURG, Ore., March 15 (AP)—Schilling Brothers, of Wilbur, today announced the exchange of their 1,000-acre sheep and turkey ranch, located eight miles north of Roseburg, for a 165-acre alfalfa farm at Enterprise in Wallawa county.

The trade was made with L. E. Shinn, a resident of West Roseburg. Stock and equipment on each place was included in the exchange. Properties are valued at about \$20,000 each. The new owners will take possession April 1.

FISHING NO LONGER MAN'S SPORT IN ALABAMA WATERS

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP)—Bachelors who think they can escape the leap year menage by going fishing are due for a disappointment.

I. T. Quinn, commissioner of game and fish, estimates that 125,000 Alabama women will cast a line in Alabama waters this year. He bases his estimate on the fact that 100,000 women were regular patrons of the sport last season.

WEATHER FORECAST
Oregon: Generally cloudy and mild tonight and Wednesday; probably occasional rains in the west portion; moderate southerly winds offshore.

WEATHER TODAY
7 a. m.—35 above.
Minimum: 23 above.
Condition: Cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 44, minimum 33 above.
Condition: Cloudy, rain 10 of inch. Range—11 degrees.

WEATHER MAR. 11, 1931
Maximum 60, minimum 33 above.
Condition: Cloudy, rain 22 of inch. Range—27 degrees.

Midland Choir Delights Crowd At Tabernacle

A Cappella Choir From Fremont, Neb. Presents Concert in La Grande Monday Evening.

Sixty voices swelling to triumphant heights like the strains of a symphony orchestra filled the La Grande tabernacle when the Midland college A Cappella choir, of Fremont, Neb., presented a concert last night at 8:15 under the auspices of the Lutheran League of the Epiphany Lutheran church. The choir, under the direction of Oscar Lyders, compares favorably with the internationally famous St. Olaf choir, of Minnesota, and have received acclaim in the annual spring tour during which they have appeared in concert in the leading cities of the country.

The program was varied, with three soloists, a group of four types of music, the first devoted entirely to polyphony, and the others to presentations of difficult harmonizing of the melody. One of the most difficult of the polyphonic numbers was "All Breathing Life Sing and Praise Ye the Lord," the finale from the motet, "Sing Ye the Lord," by Johann Sebastian Bach. Difficult and intricate, the choir showed attention to the most minute details and intensive training in their ability to stay on the pitch. Polyphonic music is the purest type of music for choirs since they play without accompaniment and several tone parts progress simultaneously according to the rules.

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Winter Term At Normal School Closes Friday

Mabel Long, of Haines, and Victoria Warden, of La Grande, are completing their course at the Eastern Oregon Normal school and will graduate at the end of the term which closes this Friday. Examinations will begin Thursday morning, and continue for two days.

Inlow announced this morning. Registration for the spring term will be held Monday, and regular classes will open Tuesday at 8 o'clock.

Two hundred and thirty-four students have been registered during the present term, a 33 per cent increase over the corresponding period last year, and a substantial increase in the enrollment for the coming term is indicated at present, President Inlow adds.

No new courses will be added to the program, and work will again be offered in art, education and psychology, English, foreign languages for students desiring junior college credit.

Health and physical education, library practice, mathematics, social science, music and science.

The faculty at the Eastern Oregon Normal school, as listed in the 1931-32 catalog, includes: President H. E. Inlow; Ralph E. Badgley, science and mathematics; Miss Margaret Carstairs, training teacher; Edward G.

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Seven In Race For Sheriff In Wallawa County

By Bill Johnson
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ENTERPRISE (Special)—The following men have declared their candidacy for county offices: county clerk: D. B. Reavis, Democrat; W. H. Spencer, W. J. Orman, Republicans; county sheriff: Democrat, J. L. Stagg, C. C. Boswell, F. R. Asher, A. B. Miller, Republicans; E. W. Collinsworth, P. D. Zollman, E. R. Humphreys, county assessor: Republicans, T. F. Lathrop, W. W. Zuercher, Democrats, C. F. McArthur, Justice of peace: A. B. Conaway, Democrat; county school superintendent: J. C. Conley, Republican; county treasurer: Ella R. Clayton, Democrat; Eva Falconer, Republican; county surveyor: Glenn Jacob, Republican; county commissioner: S. A. Blevans, Democrat; Duane Lathrop, Republican.

L. E. Allen, of Wallawa, has announced himself a candidate for reelection as representative in the state legislature.

Corvallis High To Play In Tourney

CORVALLIS, Ore., March 15 (AP)—The entry of Corvallis High school in the state high school basketball tournament at Salem, opening Wednesday, was assured this morning upon the election by the Corvallis school board of James (Mush) Towson as permanent coach and teacher at Corvallis for the rest of the school year.

A protest was filed last week by R. R. Turner, principal at Dallas, that Towson was not a full-time member of the Corvallis faculty. This protest caused the state athletic board to suspend Corvallis until this situation could be corrected.

Quarter Licenses Available Mar. 28

March 28 is the first day for securing quarter-year licenses at the office of Jesse Breinhart, sheriff, according to announcement made recently.

The sheriff's office has been overwhelmed with applications for quarter-year licenses since a notice appeared some time ago, it is stated.

THOMAS MANIX III

PORTLAND, March 15 (AP)—Thomas Manix, Portland attorney, whose personal feud with the late Senator George W. Joseph, attracted much attention, was said to be critically ill here today.

Manix underwent an appendicitis operation last week. He did not rally as had been expected. He showed some improvement last night, but later his condition became worse.

8000 SLAIN IN SALVADOR REPORT SAYS

American in Mexico City Tells of Bloody Communist Rebellion.

EXECUTIONS ARE STILL CONTINUING

Government Forced to Dismiss 2000 of its Soldiers—Cruel Slaying is Described.

MEXICO CITY, Mar. 15 (AP)—An American who has lived in San Salvador three years and who returned here recently said today Salvadoran army commanders declared 8000 communists were slain in the revolt there a little more than a month ago. He refused to permit the use of his name for personal reasons.

"The executions are continuing at the rate of 10 to 25 a week," he said, "but in spite of it the danger to the government is grave for, according to government information, more than 25,000 persons now belong to the communist league and the recruiting is still going on."

2000 Regulars Dismissed
He said the government was forced to dismiss two thousand of the 4500 soldiers of its regular army, because it feared they were secret members of the communist league, and officials considered it dangerous to allow them access to rifles and ammunition.

The revolt, he said, led to the finding of more than 200 home made bombs, 60 of which were discovered.

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WALTER PIERCE FILES AT SALEM

Formally Enters Contest For Seat in Congress—Mrs. Pierce to Help.

SALEM, Mar. 15 (AP)—Former Governor Walter M. Pierce, Democrat of La Grande, Monday filed his candidacy for representative in Congress from the second congressional district, Francis V. Galloway, of the Dalles, also a Democrat, filed for the office during the morning.

"I will faithfully represent those who are struggling to make a living," is the slogan dictated by Pierce. In his platform Pierce said he would use his "energy, ability and farm experience to secure political action relieving economic distress. I favor: Unemployment relief through federal funds, public works and guaranteed health and relief through grant export, debentures, tariff revision, lower land taxes, cheap money to redeem farms, adjustment loans made at inflated prices, utilization of farm board for benefit of farmer."

Other issues favored by Pierce included "tax relief by cutting govern-

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March Business Better, Colonel Ayres Declares

CLEVELAND, O., March 15 (AP)—Business conditions are better in March than they were in December, January or February, says Col. Leonard P. Ayres, vice president of the Cleveland Trust company and nationally known economist.

"This," adds Colonel Ayres, "despite the fact business activity is not greater now than it was then."

"The improvement," he explains, "is in the fundamental factors that are on the surface. It is present in fact, even though it is to but slight degree reflected in the figures."

"In recent weeks there has been a long series of developments that are either directly conducive to business improvement or are safeguards against continued decline. Even a partial list makes an impressive array."

"The Reconstruction Finance corporation is an effective operation, and has made a considerable number of loans to railroad and to financial institutions. The Glass-Steagall bill has been enacted into law, and has increased the flexibility of the federal reserve system. The voluntary wage adjustments of the railroad employees have been put into effect. Bank suspensions have greatly decreased. The hoarding of money has not only been checked, but the movement has been reserved, and

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Track Men to Begin Work Soon With Their Eyes on State Title

With the 1932 Oregon state championship as their goal, 100 Tigers held a preliminary track meeting at the high school yesterday afternoon with Coach J. S. Woodie. Enthusiasm was high and a decision was reached to begin outdoor training as soon as weather conditions are favorable.

Last spring La Grande High actually won the state meet with 27½ points against Grant High's 23, but because of a technicality that took four points in the javelin from Willie Torrence, high point man of the meet, Grant is on the records as winner with 23 against a recorded 22½ for the blue and white.

This year, with only Nosland and Conley absent from the point winners, the La Grande team has high hopes of scoring an Eastern Oregon championship—duplicating last spring's feat—and then following with a state victory.

Torrence was high point man of the meet last year even after his javelin points were stricken from the records, scoring first in the broad and high jumps and third in the high hurdles. Incidentally, the two men who beat him to the tape in the time trials, Nosland and Kilder, are graduates, and in the javelin, the 1931 winner, DeMarris, of Prineville, also is through school, leaving Torrence a potential first in any of the four events in which he competed.

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Four Burned To Death Early Today

JEFFERSON, Iowa, Mar. 15 (AP)—John W. Dorman, 31, his wife, and their two young sons were burned to death today in a fire which destroyed their home at the Greene County Coal company mine.

Dorman was a coal dumper. The other dead were Mrs. Dorman, 23, and Robert, 5, and Wilbur Dorman, 4.

Committee Heads For Year Named By Mr. McKinlay

Chamber of Commerce Discusses Advertising of Union and Wallawa County Scenery.

Announcement of committee chairman for the year and a general and somewhat enthusiastic discussion of advertising Union and Wallawa counties and their attractions to the rest of the country occupied the attention of the chamber of commerce at its monthly forum luncheon at the La Grande hotel today at noon.

President Harry McKinlay appointed the following men as committee chairman, each to select his own committee:

Publicity, Harold M. Finlay; advertising, A. W. Nelson; tourist travel, Harley Richardson; retail merchants, Homer Jeffell; membership, Gene Walker; aviation, W. C. Perkins; agriculture, Ernest DeLong; grange fair, Gene Walker; good roads, Charles Reynolds; resolutions, R. J. Green; finance, F. L. Meyer; and conventions, Lester H. Bramwell.

Discuss Advertising
Mr. McKinlay started the discussion of advertising with the idea of attracting people to this section both for their tourist dollars and the chances that some of them might be interested in settlement in Union and Wallawa counties. He read an editorial from the Oregon Journal written by B. F. Irvine in which this section was given some excellent publicity, and he expressed the opinion that "advertising is the 'out' for both Union and Wallawa counties."

He called upon J. H. Pearce for his opinion, explaining that probably little more could be done this year than lay the groundwork for future campaigns. Mr. Pearce said: "If ever things get back to their own money, I think that we will be well served."

R. J. Green declared that now is the time to look ahead, pointing out that "we have one thing—our scenery—which can never be taken away from us. If we go down to the La Grande a better town we've got to play for the future." He said he believed the chamber should put up billboards here and in Malheur county advertising this section, with the idea of increasing the number of tourists traveling the Old Oregon trail through La Grande and going from here to the coast.

Rev. Paul Mortimore, former resident of Pendleton and Portland, said that people in other sections of the state, even in nearby Pendleton, know but little of the attractions of here and near here. He said that most Portlanders go to South Oregon over poorer roads and for poorer hunting and fishing than is available in Eastern Oregon, and he

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CANNED FOODS REMOVED FROM TAX BILL LIST

WASHINGTON, March 15 (AP)—Canned foods today were stricken off the list of articles which the house ways and means committee proposed to subject to a manufacturers sales tax.

Representative Rye, Democratic leader, said the committee will offer amendments in the house to lift the 2½ per cent levy from canned fruits, vegetables, fish and game.

Ratney said the loss in estimated revenue by dropping canned foods taxes was \$11,000,000.

King Would Permit Indians to Handle Their Own Affairs

WASHINGTON, Mar. 15 (AP)—The chairman of the Indian Affairs committee in the house of representatives today said he would permit the Indians of the Klamath reservation in Oregon "to be better off if the hand of the government was removed and they were permitted to handle their own affairs."

Senator Clegg, Democrat of Utah, in an attack on the administration of Indian affairs.

Senator Clegg and Chairman Frazier of the Indian committee launched another attack on the Indian bureau and directed it specifically against administration of the Klamath reservation.

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Al Smith Not To Endorse Candidate

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 15 (AP)—Alfred E. Smith will not name the candidate a Smith-pledged Massachusetts legislator said today.

He is eliminated from consideration, he has revealed in a letter to Mrs. Jessie W. Sayre, daughter of the late President Wilson.

The former New York governor's letter also said he did not consider the League of Nations a political issue today and the attitude of the United States on this question would be determined by the rank and file of the people.

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Founder of First Alaskan Paper Dies

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 15 (AP)—Funeral services were held here today for Mrs. Margaret Stewart Russell, 55, who as a young woman founded the first daily newspaper in Alaska. She died here Sunday after a long illness.

In 1898 Mrs. Russell and her husband, Edward G. Russell, went to Alaska with a printing press. They purchased a weekly paper at Juneau and changed it into a daily. Largely through the woman's business acumen, her friends said, the paper prospered. They sold it in 1906. Mrs. Russell has lived here since.

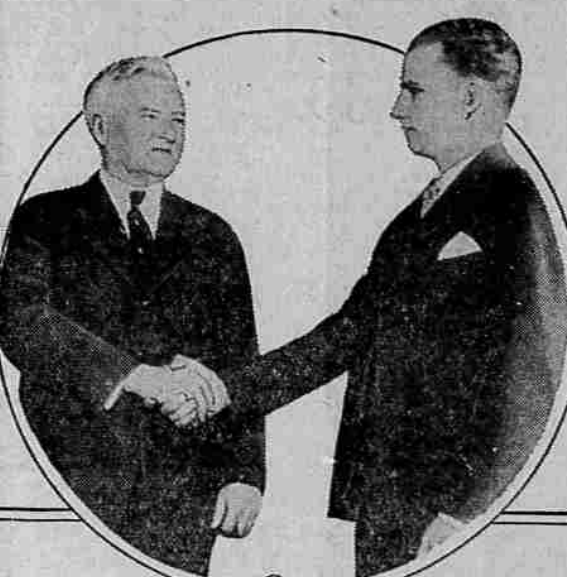
She was born in Baker, Ore., in 1877, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Reynolds.

Pu-Yi Recognition By Russia Likely

TOKYO, March 15 (AP)—News from Manchuria today led Japanese officials to express the belief that Soviet Russia will soon recognize officially the new Manchurian state under the dictatorship of Henry Pu-Yi, former Chinese boy emperor.

A dispatch to the Rengo news agency from Changchun, capital of the new state, said Russia "informally indicated" it would accept Dictator Pu-Yi's nominees for directors of the Chinese Eastern railway. Instead of the directors appointed by the Chinese national government at Nanking.

YOUNGEST CONGRESSMAN



Here's the nation's youngest congressman, being congratulated by Speaker Jack Garner upon his arrival in Washington to take over his duties. He is W. Carlton Mobley, 25 years old, of Georgia, chosen to fill a recent vacancy caused by a death. Mobley is at the right.

Girl Who Aided Kingsley Freed By Government

TACOMA, Wash., Mar. 15 (AP)—Congress unintentionally provided a "lucky break" for Anna Farrell, attractive 23-year-old Tacoma girl, and as a result she will not have to stand trial on charges of having aided her sweetheart to escape from the McNeil island penitentiary two years ago. The girl, secretly indicted 18 months ago, was arrested in Salt Lake City and surrendered herself to federal authorities here Dec. 1.

When her case came up before Judge E. E. Cushman Monday she took up her own defense, claiming that she had been deceived by her attorney, who showed that the "prison escape" law under which she had been indicted had been repealed meanwhile without

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Musical Comedy Will Be Staged Thursday, Friday

"Sonja, the Girl from Russia," a musical comedy in three acts, will be staged by the La Grande High school on March 17 and 18, and reserve seats will go on sale tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock at the Glass Drug company, 121 Broadway.

Business manager announced this morning. A dress rehearsal was held last Friday evening, and the costumes designed by Miss Ann Arnoldus, of the home economics faculty, were striking, both in the collegiate and the Russian.

Sonja, the heroine, is a Russian girl who is also directed by her father to return to Russia and try to free her father from exile. Her college friends accompany her and have a very exciting time when a Bolshevik revolution breaks out.

The lighting effects have been perfected under the skillful direction of Robert Zweifel and his assistants, Carl Doughton and Arthur Steffert. The blend of comedy and the colorful stage sets arranged by the stage manager, Howard Cantrell and his assistants, George Webb and George Courtney.

Miss Catherine Sartain, dramatics coach, is also directing the dances, which she states will be very lively, with a variety of intricate steps. The chorus have gained confidence in

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Safe Robbed Of Gems

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 15 (AP)—The robbery of a safe containing more than \$3000 worth of diamonds and other jewelry was reported to police today by the Burnett Brothers Jewelry company.

KIDNAP TRIAL ENDS; VERDICT UP TO JUDGE

WARREN, Ohio, Mar. 15 (AP)—The trial of Dorell Hargrave, 31, for the kidnaping of 11-year-old James De Jute of Niles was concluded today when the jury returned a minimum penalty of life imprisonment. Common Pleas Judge Lynn B. Griffith indicated he would render his verdict tomorrow.

The defense did not present testimony. Hargrave had waived a jury trial. The court overruled a defense motion to dismiss the case.

S. P. Mans, counsel for Hargrave, contended the state had failed to prove there was an attempt at extortion, and therefore the state had no case. He did not deny Hargrave's kidnapping of the De Jute boy, son of James De Jute Sr., Niles contractor.

Prosecutor G. H. Birrell pointed out that officers had testified that when asked about ransom plans, Hargrave told them:

"What are these things usually done for?"

International Banks Rapped By Johnson

WASHINGTON, Mar. 15 (AP)—Summarizing the senate finance committee's investigation of foreign loans Senator Hiram Johnson told the senate today that American losses were due to the "greed" of international banks and "smug complacency and supreme indifference" on the part of the government.

The California Republican, who sponsored the investigation of American losses in foreign bond issues, startled the senate with the ferocity of his attack on international bankers.

In a scathing denunciation of their activities, he said they had given "no thought to the impoverishment of American citizens who trusted them and acted apparently only for the profits."

New Police Chief At Eugene

EUGENE, Mar. 15 (AP)—Eugene had a new police chief today. He is Carl Bergman, ex-A patrolman who last night was elevated to the post of chief to succeed R. W. Hall, resigned.

STREAMS TO BE STOCKED
WASHINGTON (AP)—Distribution of approximately 85,000,000 trout and 5,000,000 bass in streams throughout the country will be undertaken by the bureau of fisheries in the season beginning April 1.

Mrs. Lindbergh Tells Story Of 'Kidnaping' Night

Detailed Account of Hours After Baby Was Snatched From Crib Made Known Today.

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NEW YORK, Mar. 15 (AP)—When two weeks ago tonight the nurse Betty Gow cried out to Col. Charles A. Lindbergh "the baby is gone," his first act was to seize his rifle and rush into the kitchen to search for the kidnappers.

A detailed account of the hours after Charles Augustus Lindbergh Jr. was snatched from his crib by abductors, was made known today.

Mrs. Lindbergh, the former Anne Morrow, was one of the three persons most closely involved in the events of that night. The others were her husband and the baby's nurse.

Anne Tells Her Story
Mrs. Lindbergh's story, as learned from a trustworthy source, was as follows:

On Saturday afternoon, Feb. 27, she and the baby arrived for a week-end at Hopedale after a time of absence. Although the Lindberghs had made frequent weekend trips to Hopedale, they had stayed at the Morrow home on the previous two weekends. Col. Lindbergh arrived

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Congress Asked To Appropriate Sixty Millions

WASHINGTON, Mar. 15 (AP)—Threatened with exhaustion of funds to carry on contracts for important waterway and harbor construction, President Hoover has made a hurry call on congress for a \$60,000,000 appropriation.

The money normally would have been provided in the war department appropriation bill, as it covers projects previously authorized and now under way but unemployed because of the lack of funds.

Some of the projects, which have become tangled in the issues of disarmament and economy and was laid aside temporarily by the house, so its passage may not come until toward the end of the session.

In a special message sent to the house last yesterday the chief executive asserted not only disapproval of the construction work but that the money would be needed for the construction of the government to carry out its obligations.

One robber stationed himself behind a front door and as each employee entered he was ordered to hold up his hands. The employees were bound and held in a directors' room.

The men met Clyde Willets, janitor, when he opened a barred rear door to fire the furnace at 8:30 a. m. Willets was set at work around the office to allow suspicion of passing.

One robber stationed himself behind a front door and as each employee entered he was ordered to hold up his hands. The employees were bound and held in a directors' room.

The money, all in currency, was stuffed into a pillow case, and the men departed through a rear door. Police were told they entered a parked roadster believed to have carried a Kentucky license.

The loss was covered by insurance, officials said.

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STOCK MARKET STIFFENS IN CLOSING HOURS

NEW YORK, Mar. 15 (AP)—The stock market stiffened in the last hour today, after a rather brisk but short-lived selling flurry, centering in the rails. Some rails closed a point or two lower, but losses elsewhere were mostly negligible. The closing tone was steady. Transactions approximated 1,600,000 shares.

Last of Chippewa Headmen is Dead

ASHLAND, Wis., Mar. 15 (AP)—Shah-Bob-Da-Skong, who had the power but not the title of prime minister of the once proud Chippewa Indian nation, died here yesterday.

Shah-Bob-Da-Skong—his American name was John Driver—formed and headed the council which served to give a chief contact with the common government. He was a very capable headman when the position was one of dignity and importance.

By his death at his home in Odanah last Sunday, the north country lost one of its last human links with the vanished glory of the tribe.

15-Year-Old Girls Licensed To Marry

ALBANY, Ore., March 15 (AP)—Two 15-year-old girls in one family were given marriage licenses here Monday.

Samuel C. Rollins accompanied his daughter, Mae E. Rollins, and her step-daughter, Pansy Burr, to the county clerk's office and gave the clerk authority to issue the licenses.

Miss Rollins was married to David C. Petrie of Lebanon, and Miss Burr will marry Davis J. Walters of Foster.

Wheat Today