

GOV. MURRAY DISAPPEARS

SEEK WOMAN IN LINDBERGH KIDNAP CASE

Attempt Made to Pass \$20 Bill in Greenwich, Conn. Bakery.

POLICE SEARCHING FOR GREEN CAR

Authorities Say No Word Received From Kidnappers Since Lindbergh Paid \$50,000.

HOPEWELL, N. J., Apr. 12 (AP)—A child woman in a green town car became a quarry in the great Lindbergh kidnaping hunt today.

On the highways of many states, police sought her after a bakery proprietress in Greenwich, Conn., spotted a \$20 bill she proffered in payment for a strawberry pie as part of the \$50,000 ransom muled from Col. Charles A. Lindbergh.

The hunt intensified when detectives recalled that a green sedan was seen near the Lindbergh home on Sourland mountain on the night of the kidnaping of Charles A. Lindbergh Jr. on Mar. 1.

This development, and a theory that the person who took Col. Lindbergh's \$50,000 without returning the stolen child was an estranged member of the kidnap gang who no longer has the baby in his possession stirred the mystery to a new boiling point.

Move a Surprise
Police had expected the swindler or swindlers of the flying colonel to wait months before trying to spend the cash obtained by a double cross, but the Greenwich development, assuming the bakery owner got the number of the bill right, showed they had dared to throw discretion to the winds.

There was no indication as to whether the unknown woman actually was connected with the kidnaping or swindle, but the haste with which she fled when the number on the bill was pointed out, roused police suspicion.

The proprietress, Mrs. Ella Decorville, had pasted beside her counter a list of the numbers of the \$50,000, as sent out by the United States treasurer. A handsome, middle-aged woman drove up to her shop last night, she said, with a liveried chauffeur at the wheel, and made a small purchase.

Recognized Number
When she handed over the bill, Mrs. Decorville mechanically glanced at its number. It was K90387539A, the bakery woman said.

"Why this is one of the Lindbergh ransom bills," she said.

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BROTHERS TO ENTER PLEAS ON APRIL 21

James, David and Charles Fish were arraigned yesterday before Judge J. W. Knowles in the circuit court, facing two indictments returned by the grand jury, and will enter a plea on April 21. They are charged with possession of a still and possession of mash.

The three brothers were arrested on Mar. 3 by J. I. Zimmerman, federal prohibition enforcement officer, and Deputy Sheriff H. A. Klinghammer, at their home in an old quarry in a picturesque spot at the base of Rooster peak.

Infant Daughter Passes on Monday

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Warnstaff, of 2202 East Cove avenue, passed away Monday afternoon at the age of three days.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary. Interment will be in the Masonic cemetery.

WEATHER FORECAST
Oregon: Cloudy in the east and unsettled with rain late tonight or Wednesday over the west portion; mild temperature; fresh south-east winds offshore.

WEATHER TODAY
7 a. m.—49 above.
Minimum: 45 above.
Condition: Cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 75, minimum 41 above.
Condition: Cloudy. Range—34 degrees.

WEATHER APR. 12, 1931
Maximum 63, minimum 28 above.
Condition: Cloudy, rain 14 of inch. Range—35 degrees.

Murray Blames Speculators For Economic Ills

"Alfalfa Bill" Speaks at Portland While Stumping Campaign in Presidential Campaign.

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—Pleading for a chance to "lick the speculators," Governor William H. Murray of Oklahoma, spoke here last night in behalf of his candidacy for the Democratic presidential nomination.

He blamed speculators for much of the country's economic ills, he told an audience in his second Oregon speech here last night, and said that assurance of food and not changes in the prohibition law is what the people need.

To accomplish this he recommended a return to the Scotch bank system, naming banks are now run by the speculator.

"Andrew Jackson whipped the speculators once," he said, "and I would like to lick 'em again."

None of his opponents for the Democratic presidential nomination, Murray said, have a platform "worth mentioning." He described Franklin D. Roosevelt as "a weak candidate."

Food Paramount Issue
He said both major parties have injected prohibition discussion into the campaign to belound the issue.

He declared the paramount question is to provide food for the starving. After this food has been provided, the governor said, "and they have money enough to buy over to buy a drink, then will be time enough to decide whether they'll buy that dram."

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School Men Of County Gather In North Powder

La Grande educators occupied the spotlight at the meeting of the Schoolmasters club held last night at North Powder, with Supr. J. T. Longfellow, principal Arnold Gralapp of the High school, Harold Kling, mathematics instructor, E. A. Mc-

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To Take Motion Pictures Of Pet Parade Saturday

Motion pictures of the second annual pet parade, to be held here Saturday afternoon under the auspices of the retail merchants' committee of the chamber of commerce, have been arranged for, it was announced today by Jack Wright, manager of the Liberty theatre.

The equipment necessary to take the pictures has been secured and the films will have their premier at the Liberty a week or so after the parade.

14 SCHOOLS TO COMPETE IN TOURNEY

Music Honors in Eastern Oregon to be Decided Here Saturday.

EVENTS TO TAKE PLACE AT E. O. N.

14 Schools Enter Soloists, Ensemble Groups or Both in Second Annual Contest.

A concert given by the winners of the second annual Eastern Oregon High school music tournament, to be designated by the judges, will be held Saturday evening at 8 o'clock, April 16, following the tournament which opens at 9 o'clock at the Eastern Oregon Normal school, President H. E. Injow, of the Normal school, announces. The tournament is sponsored annually by the Normal school.

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LETTERS AWARDED TO TIGER CAGERS

Class Players Also Receive Awards—Nominating Committee Named.

Eleven members and two managers of the "varsity" athletic squad of the La Grande High school were awarded their letters, a nominating committee to select candidates for the student body offices for 1932-33 was officially appointed at a student body assembly this morning at 9 o'clock at the La Grande High school. Principal A. L. Gralapp presided at the assembly and made the awards.

Numerals were awarded for participation in class competition this morning also, with sophomores topping the list with 35. Thirty freshmen, 25 juniors and 17 seniors received awards.

First team lettermen who were honored were Horton Andrews, Max Baxter, Gerald Burnett, William Cozay, Kenneth Feuerhelm, Glenn Fox, Howard Lyman, Percy Munsell, Lowell Stoddard, Willie Torrence, Kenneth Workman. Managers were Howard Owsley and Charles Walnum.

The nominating committee was appointed by the executive council of the student body, and will report at an assembly next Friday, Apr. 15, at which time additional nominations will also be made from the floor. Campaign speeches will be made on Apr. 19, and the election will be held on Apr. 20. Members of the nominating committee are Raymond De Long, chairman, Dorothy

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L. H. BRAMWELL MAKES KNOWN HIS PLATFORM

L. H. Bramwell, who seeks the Republican nomination for the office of sheriff, today issued a statement. At the time of filing for candidacy he announced his slogan but did not file a statement.

Mr. Bramwell feels that his experience and qualifications make it possible for him to properly fill the position of sheriff. He has been a resident of La Grande for 32 years and has been in direct touch with financial problems of this county for many years. Since the establishing of the state police the duties of the ordinary sheriff have been modified considerably, he believes, until now they are more of a financial and tax collection nature. However, Mr. Bramwell says that he will expect to be called upon to perform every duty necessary in the proper conduct of that office if nominated and elected.

Oregon Fishing Season Will Open Friday—High Water a "Blue Note"

Anglers are beginning to get the "spring fever." The season, of course, is that the Oregon fishing season opens on Friday of this week.

And over all the town fishermen are getting out their tackle, scrutinizing angle worms in the garden and assorting their files and wondering which will be the most effective this season.

Stock Exchange Leader Defends Its Operations

Senate Banking Committee Hears Additional Testimony Today From Richard Whitney.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12 (AP)—Determined defense of the stock exchange was continued in testimony to the senate banking committee today by its president, Richard Whitney.

He protested against "this hue and cry, perhaps helped by the gentlemen of the press in regard to loaning customers' stocks, that has been in vogue throughout the country for the last two or three years."

Senator Couzens, Republican, Michigan, remarked that any man who signs the customers' agreement which Whitney produced "must have been a goat."

In response to questions from Couzens, Whitney said "the minimum margin indicated as good business by the New York stock exchange is 25 per cent margin."

"Do they ever go lower than 25 per cent?" asked Couzens. "Not if we know our business."

"Absolutely," Couzens inquired. "Yes, sir," said Whitney.

To Adjourn Until Monday
A motion by Couzens to postpone further investigation after today until Monday to allow time to consider the Glass bank bill, was approved.

Whitney continued his testimony after the motion was carried.

Whitney gave the short interest as

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Boy Is Denied Admittance To Reform School

SALEM, Apr. 12 (AP)—Vernon Levey, Portland youth, was denied admittance to the state training school for boys by vote of the state board of control here today. Levey's case, now before the Multnomah court, was to be decided Wednesday and it was understood here that Levey wished to return to the Woodburn institution.

The motion to deny him admittance was made by Hal E. Hoss, secretary of the state, who stated the training school was not a penal institution and there were no facilities there to take care of "bad boys."

The board was unanimous in adopting the motion.

Levey was a former inmate of the school and was the storm petrel upon which investigations were ordered by the state of treatment of boys there and of the administration of W. H. Bailee, former superintendent of the school. Levey and his father filed complaints against the school charging use of the "Oregon boot" and that Levey had been severely burned in the removal of the alleged boot.

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BONUS BILL SUPPORTERS ARE HEARD

Detroit Clergyman Appears Before House Ways and Means Committee

STRONG PLEA FOR MEASURE IS MADE

If Government Can Provide Two Billion For Railroads, Why Not Aid Veterans, He Asks.

WASHINGTON, April 2 (AP)—Against the united opposition of administration and Democratic leaders in congress, advocates of a \$2,400,000,000 cash payment on the soldiers bonus today pressed their case before the house ways and means committee.

Father Charles E. Coughlin, of Detroit, was introduced by Representative Patman (D., Tex.), sponsor of the measure, and read a statement before a crowded committee room.

He said the Reconstruction Finance corporation was hurried through both the house and senate to make available \$2,000,000,000 public funds "for financing financiers and strengthening tottering railroads."

Coughlin, who conducts a radio program, said that within six weeks of the passage of the reconstruction act he received over 1,500,000 letters saying:

"If the government can pay \$2,000,000,000 to the bankers and the railroads to whom it owes no obligations, why should it not pay \$2,000,000,000 to the soldiers to whom it recognizes an obligation?"

Coughlin said to pay the bonus would enable millions of idle and part time veterans to purchase necessities. That would put \$2,000,000,000

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TRIO TO SERVE THREE YEARS IN STATE PEN

TILLAMOOK, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—Three men who participated in a jail delivery and in the hijacking of the Lincoln county jail of a large amount of liquor, were today under sentence to serve three years in prison for transporting liquor while armed.

The three, Paul Remaley, Sidney Garrick and Burt Chaplin, all of Portland, pleaded guilty Monday and were sentenced immediately. Judge Bagley who passed sentence stipulated that the terms are to run concurrently with any imposed in Lincoln or Polk county.

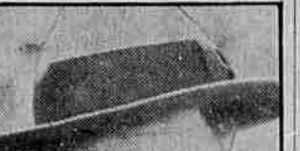
Soon after sentence was passed in Tillamook county the three men were taken to Polk county and at Dallas received similar sentences.

Trail of Missing Couple Picked Up

MEDFORD, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—A group of six men who are searching for the bodies of Edwin C. Brown and his wife, dead Indian district homesteaders who lost their lives last January in a mountain blizzard, reported last night that they had found tracks of the couple and had come across a place where the man and woman had attempted to build a fire.

Scorched bits of paper and matches were found beside a rotten stump. The searchers found tracks indicating the two were once within a hundred yards of their own cabin, but blinded by snow they had wandered into the deep forest.

ACCUSES MAYOR



Mayor George Watkins, of Tulsa, Okla., faces charges of assault and battery filed by Gus Fields, reporter on the Tulsa Tribune, who claims the mayor knocked him down when "angered by a question about the city's financial condition. Mayor Watkins, six feet tall, and a former sailor and football player, shown in top picture, once worked for the Tribune before entering politics. Fields is shown below.



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SALARY CUT TO BE DECIDED SOON

WASHINGTON, April 12 (AP)—The house rules committee agreed today that the legislative supply bill, pending in the house, should be the medium for an early decision whether federal salaries shall be cut.

The special economy committee, with the acquiescence of the rules committee, will offer an amendment to the legislative supply bill providing for an eleven per cent cut of all civilian salaries over \$1000. The proposal

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BRUCE STUART NAMED GRAND HIGH PRIEST

SALEM, Apr. 12 (AP)—D. Bruce Stuart, Corvallis, was elected grand high priest of the Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons, at the annual convention which opened here yesterday. He succeeds Milton M. Myers of Salem. Forty-five of the 50 chapters in the state were represented at the opening day of the convention.

The Grand Council Royal and Select Masons and the Grand Commandery Knights Templar open their sessions here today with addresses by E. P. Lewis, Marshfield, for the Masons and Norman L. Grout, Portland, for the Knights. The conventions close tomorrow.

The 1932 meeting of the Royal Arch Masons will be held in Portland, it was voted last night. Other officers elected at the evening session to head the Royal Arch Masonic group include: Percy R. Kelly, Salem, grand king; Herbert L. Toney, McMinnville, grand treasurer and D. Rufus Cheney, Portland, grand secretary, both elected; Carl W. Swanson, Marshfield, grand scribe; Lloyd L. Scott, Portland, grand captain of the hosts.

Appointive officers for the coming year include: Ernest P. Bands, Oregon City, grand principal sojourner; Lewis M. Snow, Portland, grand royal arch captain; Hugh R. Holman, Portland, grand master third veil; Clarence E. Wheeler, Baker, A. French, The Dalles, grand master of first veil.

American on Trial In Shanghai Court

SIANGHAI, Apr. 12 (AP)—Trial of Paul Crawley, American, "the man who introduced ice cream to China," was begun here today on a charge of exporting opium to San Francisco aboard the U. S. Naval transport Chaumont.

Disarm Plan Of U. S. Not Liked By The French

Gibson Proposes to Abolish Tanks, Big Guns and Gases; Premier Tardieu Replies.

GENEVA, April 12 (AP)—Premier Andre Tardieu, of France, representing his government at the disarmament conference, assailed today the disarmament proposals advanced yesterday by Hugh S. Gibson, American representative.

Mr. Gibson proposed that tanks, big guns and gases be abolished in the interests of security, but made no mention of battleships "the most obvious aggressive weapon," said M. Tardieu.

Abolition of certain types of aggressive arms will not necessarily provide security, he said, but might be disadvantageous to an invaded country. The only means to security, he declared, is common action against an aggressor.

This was generally accepted as a restatement of the French proposal for placing offensive forces at the disposal of the League of Nations.

In any case, the premier said, the disarmament meeting is under the auspices of the League of Nations, and he suggested non-members keep that in mind.

Litvinoff Renews Russian Plan
Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet commissar for foreign affairs, renewed the Russian plan for reduction of armies before the conference today.

Litvinoff proposed to reduce all armies of above 200,000 men, including Russia's own red army, 50 per cent. Armies of between 30,000 and 200,000 men he proposed to cut 5 per cent and leave armies below 30,000 men untouched for the present.

Portland men prominent in Democratic circles who were with the Okla-

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Search For Two Escaped Insane Men Continues

SALEM, April 12 (AP)—Trails to the whereabouts of Thomas Larsen and Andrew Swider, criminally insane men who escaped Sunday night from the state hospital, apparently grew warmer during the night. State police and local officials were alerted since late yesterday by two clues and the search was concentrated on roads leading north from the Marion county line.

Clothing, identified to be that belonging to the fugitives, was found in a box car near Brooks. No reports of thefts have reached here, and it could not be ascertained where they had obtained other clothing.

Later in the night reports that a light coupe had been stolen from near Brooks intensified the hunt. The car belonged to M. Oakes, and it was taken from in front of his residence.

P. E. Roberts, hospital attendant who was badly beaten up when the two inmates had saved their way out of their cell and made their escape, was improved today, and authorities stated he would recover. The men encountered Roberts and after knocking him unconscious took his keys and completed their getaway.

Swider, 39, escaped previously from the institution as well as from a Minnesota hospital. He was committed from Multnomah county, Larsen, 19, was committed last year from Columbia county. He was previously in the feeble minded institution here. Both men had occupied the same cell.

Taylor and Curry had been life long friends and the report they plotted their escape was erroneously stated it had been Gov. Curry who had died.

NO TRACE OF ALFALFA BILL THIS MORNING

Governor of Oklahoma Fails to Keep Engagement at Klamath Falls

LAST SEEN MONDAY BY OSWALD WEST

Democratic Circles Dismayed by Disappearance—No Word of Explanation of Absence.

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—Suddenly and without explanation abandoning a series of speaking engagements in Oregon, Governor William H. (Alfalfa Bill) Murray, of Oklahoma, had mysteriously disappeared today. With him was Ed McDonald, secretary of the Oklahoma highway commission, who was his traveling companion.

Neither was seen after taking a cab from a lecture hall here last night where Murray spoke in the interest of his presidential campaign. They had left, ostensibly to take a train for Klamath Falls where Murray had an engagement at 10 a. m. today.

They were not on the train when it left Portland and did not reach Klamath Falls. The governor was to have gone to Medford for a 3 p. m. engagement today and to have spoken at Roseburg at 8 o'clock tonight.

Democratic Heads Dismayed
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SELECT JURY AT DALLAS TO TRY KELLER

DALLAS, Apr. 12 (AP)—Three women and nine men will hear the case of state against Frank J. Keller Jr., one of the five officers of the Empire Holding company charged with devising a scheme to defraud. The selection of the jury was completed yesterday, followed by the opening remarks of both state and defense attorneys.

First witnesses for the state will take the stand when the case is resumed in Judge Arlie G. Walker's court here this morning. Barnett Goldstein, special prosecutor for the state, and Frank Longenecker, for the defense, made the opening addresses before the court yesterday.

The jury is composed of Dora Goodman, Monmouth; Hazel Hollingsworth, Dallas; M. Conger, Sizer; F. E. Clark, Airtie; Amos Renton, Dallas; O. G. Hinesman, Dallas; W. S. Beck, Sheridan; May Coats, Dallas; John H. Keller Jr., of Dallas; J. N. Holman of Dallas; Roy D. Biblow, Independence; and E. A. Dunckel, Independence.

Former Governor Very Much Alive

HILLSBORO, N. M., Apr. 12 (AP)—Former Governor George Curry, of Hot Springs, erroneously reported dead last night, was alive and en route here today to attend the funeral of his close friend, Lafayette M. Taylor, pioneer Indian fighter who died here Sunday.

Taylor and Curry had been life long friends and the report they plotted their escape was erroneously stated it had been Gov. Curry who had died.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Apr. 12 (AP)—Wheat rose late today to the highest price level attained since last February. Crop reports from the south central section of Kansas were construed as sensationally bullish, contrasting with the fact that this region had the best prospect in the state on April 1. Predictions were current that unless rains came soon Kansas would fall far short of the official estimate.

It was announced Spain had authorized imports of 50,000 tons of wheat because of pronounced shortage of supplies.

Wheat closed nervous, 1 1/2 cents above yesterday's finish. Corn 1/4 cent advanced, oats 1/4 cent up, and provisions unchanged to 7 cents down.

PORTLAND, Apr. 12 (AP)—Wheat continued to advance today on the domestic market despite the discouragement offered by Liverpool. Chicago was higher and affected other futures market. On the Portland futures market there were sales of 48,000 bu. for the day, the greatest for an extended period. Most of the business was in May. Closing for May was at an advance of 2 1/2 c. July 1 1/2 c. and September 1 3/4 c. bu.

On the merchants exchange cash wheat gained 2c. bu. all around for the day. Efforts of the local trade to sell wheat at the higher prices quoted at Seattle were reported a failure with more or less talk of forced advances.