

"JAFSIE" IS CONTINUING HIS EFFORTS

Dr. Condon Renews Negotiations With Lindbergh Baby Kidnapers.

ANNE'S COLLAPSE IS NOT VERIFIED

State Police Say There Has Been No "Perceptible Change" in Her Condition.

WASHINGTON, April 13 (AP)—One of the twenty dollar notes paid to the Lindbergh kidnapers was reported here today to have been passed in New York City and turned over to the New York police department by the stock service.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, April 13 (AP)—Police received orders today to search the city for the kidnaped Lindbergh baby. Pictures of the missing child appeared on the front pages of all the newspapers.

HOPEWELL, N. J., April 13 (AP)—Dr. John F. Condon indicated today he had renewed negotiations with the kidnapers of the Lindbergh baby, to whom he has already paid a \$50,000 ransom, and police disclosed they had received a "mysterious message" telling where definite information of the baby's whereabouts might be obtained.

"I'm convinced I had contact with the kidnapers and I still have contact with them," Dr. Condon, who negotiated with the criminals through a series of advertisements signed "Jafsie," said today after a mysterious night journey.

Later Col. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, superintendent of state police, announced the latest clue.

"A mysterious anonymous message was received," he said, "advancing the definite information of the kidnapers and the whereabouts of the child would be available on a boat on or near the property of the A. A. C. and Company of Chrome, N. J."

Troopers Search Boats
"Details of troopers, together with detail of the Carteret police, searched all boats in and near the A. C. dock and found only six barges. Two barges had just unloaded coal and four empty barges were about to be filled with fertilizer. All other boats at neighboring docks were examined but nothing of any importance was discovered.

"This investigation is being continued," Fletscher in Canada said.

Col. Schwarzkopf also said that H. Fletscher, Detroit gangster sought for questioning about the kidnaping was reported planning to

WARM WAVE IS LIKELY TO END HERE THURSDAY

The weather prediction issued at Portland this morning for Oregon indicated that the present summer-like weather is doomed to end tomorrow. The forecast is for cloudy skies with colder weather in the interior.

Seven New Firemen Appointed to Force

Seven new members of the La Grande volunteer fire department were appointed and one member, who was among eight who resigned some time ago, was reinstated at a special meeting of the department last night. The department has been returned now to full strength of 18 men.

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Cloudy tonight and Thursday, with showers in west portion tonight or Thursday; cooler in the interior Thursday; fresh southeast winds offshore.

WEATHER TODAY
7 a. m.—48 above.
Minimum: 38 above.
Condition: Clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 76, minimum 45 above.
Condition: Clear. Range—31 degrees.

WEATHER APR. 13, 1931
Maximum 49, minimum 36 above.
Condition: Partly cloudy, rain 1/2 in. of inch, thunder and hail. Range—13 degrees.

Democrats Meet In Party Rally In Capitol City

Jefferson Day to be Celebrated — Roosevelt Absent From Speaking List For Session.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 13 (AP)—A gathering of Democratic notables swarmed into the capitol today for a tocsin-ringing rally of the party into a big drive to take possession of the government next year.

It was on Jefferson day they celebrated the birthday anniversary of the third president, who founded their party. But all thoughts were turned to the future. Eleven of the party leaders were on the list of speakers, with Alfred E. Smith, 1928's presidential candidate heading the list.

Conspicuously absent was Franklin D. Roosevelt, the leading candidate for the nomination, who with others not attending gave prior engagements as the reason for staying away. Speaker Garner, much talked of but unresponsive as a presidential nominee, was expected at tonight's banquet but was not down for a talk.

A six-point economic relief program, including abandonment of "prohibitive" tariffs and sharp reduction in the cost of government was advanced today by Senator Robinson of Arkansas, at the Jefferson day luncheon rally.

Joining Representative Rainey of Illinois, the house majority leader.

Pet Parade To Begin Marching At One O'clock

La Grande's second annual pet parade, scheduled for Saturday afternoon, Apr. 16, will be held at 1 o'clock, it was announced today.

The parade is being sponsored by the retail merchants committee of the chamber of commerce.

Plans are to have the paraders form a procession at the intersection of Washington and Hemlock at 12:30 o'clock. Every entrant is urged to be ready to fall into line at this time.

Between 12:30 and 1 o'clock, parade officials will be busy registering and classifying each entrant.

To enter the parade it will be necessary to fill in an entry blank, which may be found on another page of this paper, and hand it to a parade official between 12:30 and 1 o'clock as the parade is forming.

In return for the entry blanks, the officials will provide each contestant with an identifying number which is to be worn on the back of each contestant to facilitate identifying prize winners by the judges. Three judges will decide the winners and their decisions will be final.

Seniors Lead In First Events Of Interclass Meet

Five events in the annual interclass track and field meet at La Grande High were run off yesterday afternoon, leaving the seniors far ahead—in fact, the seniors have 35 points more than the other three classes have together.

North Powder Man Hurt In Accident

NORTH POWDER, Apr. 13 (AP)—Hugh Erwin was badly cut and bruised about the head Monday when he was struck by a Utah car in Pyles canyon between North Powder and Union.

Jennings' Coupe Burns Near Here

Arley Jennings' coupe, which was stolen from near the Hannafield residence Monday night, was found—damaged probably beyond repair—near the airport east of here. The car had caught fire and was so badly burned that doubt was expressed whether anything could be done with it. It was covered by insurance.

Apparently the person or persons who stole the car drove it around until something went wrong and it caught fire, or else the thieves deliberately set it afire.

"JAFSIE"



This photograph, transmitted by telephoto from New York City, shows Dr. John Condon, university lecturer, who has been revealed as the "Jafsie" carrying on negotiations for the Lindbergh family through New York newspapers.

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS IS HEAVY

Few Changes to Opposite Party Noted — Books to Close April 19.

Registration of voters at the office of County Clerk C. K. McCormick in the court house has been quite heavy recently. On Saturday last upwards of a hundred persons qualified to vote. Although a full statement of the number of new registrations, changes of party politics, and gain of one party over the other in the registration will not be available until after the books are closed, during the past ten days the Republicans have a larger total registration, including changes of residence, than the Democrats, while the Democrats seem to have made a larger gain in registrations among persons not previously registered.

Registrations of voters changing party politics have not been frequent in Union county this year, although in some counties the changes have run into the hundreds. Less than 50 in Union county have thus changed. In the recent ten-day period, two Republicans changed to Democrat and three Democrats and one Prohibitionist changed to Republican, a two to one gain for the Republicans.

Six Days Remain
Only six days, including today, remain in which persons of voting age may register for the primaries. There will be no swearing in of voters at the polls on election day. The registration books will close Apr. 19 at 5 p. m.

Those who are required to register include persons who have or will have reached the age of 21 years since

DIRECTORS ARE NAMED TODAY BY ROTARIANS

The main feature of the program at the luncheon of the Rotary club today was the election of the board of directors and the club officers for the year beginning July 1. The new board will be composed of the following Rotarians: W. C. Perkins, Dr. J. D. Hain, B. F. Wyde, Clyde E. Bunting, Gene Walker, J. L. Ingie, Elliott Finlay, Ralph Clark, and George Walker.

Special Economy Board is Favored

WASHINGTON, April 13 (AP)—The senate expenditures committee today reported favorably on the Jones resolution to create a special economy commission as requested by President Hoover in a recent message to congress.

Italy Favors U. S. Disarmament Plan

GENEVA, April 13 (AP)—Foreign Minister Dino Grandi of Italy told the world disarmament conference today Italy favored the United States proposal for abolition of tanks, heavy artillery and gas warfare.

High School Band To Hold Final Rehearsal Tomorrow Before Trip

A final rehearsal of the La Grande High school band will be held tomorrow afternoon under the direction of W. W. Nusbaum, musical director, prior to leaving on Friday morning to participate in the annual State High School Music tournament at Corvallis on April 16. Thirty members have been chosen by Roscoe Hurley, president; Ned Jones, secretary; Billy Eakin, treasurer, and Mr. Nusbaum, from among the outstanding members of the organization to compete.

The state tournament is sponsored by Kappa Kappa Psi, band fraternity at Oregon State college. Only instrumental ensembles and solos are played at Corvallis on Saturday, Apr. 16, while the vocal solos and glee club events will be held in Forest Grove on April 20 and 30.

ROOSEVELT, HOOVER GET MORE VOTES

Mantles of Popular Favor Rest More Snugly on Their Shoulders.

GARNER, MURRAY RUNNING BEHIND

New York Governor Sets the Pace in Democratic Preference Vote in Nebraska.

CHICAGO, Apr. 13 (AP)—The mantles of popular favor for the presidential nominations of the Republican and Democratic parties apparently rested more snugly today on President Hoover and Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Illinois surveyed the outcome of yesterday's primary elections and found the indicated trend definitely favoring the chief executive and the New York governor. From three states, two in the south and one in the west, came these expressions of political convention favor:

Kentucky pledged its entire Democratic delegation of 25 to Gov. Roosevelt.

Missouri for Hoover
Missouri's slate of 41 Republican delegates was instructed by the state G. O. P. meeting for President Hoover.

And to the president went Florida's 16 Republican delegates instructed for him by the state convention and the remaining four by district meetings.

Gov. Roosevelt set the pace in the Democratic preference vote in Nebraska and widened the margin he set early over speaker John N. Garner of Texas and Gov. William H. Murray of Oklahoma.

It was the first test of strength for the three in any one primary and tabulations from 1234 precincts of the state's 2049 gave Roosevelt 56,784, Garner 17,204 and Murray 15,096.

Only the name of former Senator Joseph I. France of Maryland appeared on the Republican preference ballots in Nebraska but the voters

Examinations At Health Round-up Without Charge

The Summer Round-up for all children who start to school next fall will be held in La Grande on May 2 from 9 to 12 o'clock under the auspices of the La Grande City Council of Parent Teacher associations. Several clinics will be held throughout the morning, and to conserve the doctors' time, given free of charge, specified buildings are used for each district. Examinations are given free but it is not compulsory for the parent to carry out the recommendations of the doctor, since the examination does not include treatment also.

If the recommendations of the examining physicians are followed, the child should be in good physical condition and ready to start to school in the fall, the sponsors believe. If medical care is necessary, parents may take their children to their own doctors for attention.

A series of health talks have been secured by Miss Alice Marquardt, county health nurse, and deal with the eyes, nose, throat, ears, immunization, malnutrition and teeth.

Teeth Important
Teeth are important factors of health, she states, since they are essential not only to the health but to the appearance of the child. Bad teeth are a menace to general health and draw attention to later life can not recommend for the effect of early neglect, she said.

Beer Thrust Back Into Tax Dispute

WASHINGTON, April 13 (AP)—Beer as a source of revenue was thrust back into the tax dispute today before the senate finance committee.

Urges Lower Rates

ALBANY, Ore., April 13 (AP)—Lower freight rates made possible by canalization of the Willamette river would stimulate farming in Linn county and other valley points, in the opinion of County Judge D. C. Woodworth of Albany.

Suit to Foreclose Mortgage Is Filed

PORTLAND, Apr. 13 (AP)—Suit to foreclose a mortgage given to secure a bond issue of \$550,000 on the Macleay Estate company was filed in federal district court here Tuesday by the United States National bank, as trustee.

AUTO WRECK AT TELOCASET KILLS WOMAN

Mrs. Jim Dalton, About 55, of North Powder, Dies of Injuries.

HUSBAND AND SON ARE HURT BADLY

Two Men at Hot Lake in Surgery—Extent of Injuries Unknown Early This Afternoon.

Mr. Dalton died at Hot Lake shortly after noon. Both deaths were caused by fractured skulls, Coroner F. L. Ralston announced.

Mrs. Jim Dalton, about 55 years of age, was fatally hurt and her husband and son, Wiley, all of North Powder, were seriously injured in an automobile accident at the Telocaset viaduct about 11 o'clock this morning.

Mrs. Dalton died while she was being rushed to Hot Lake in an ambulance from Cook Brothers at Union.

The extent of the injuries which caused her death were not known as the Observer went to press.

Her husband was in the surgery at Hot Lake early this afternoon and no details of his injuries could be learned, although it was feared he was critically hurt. Wiley, about 30 years of age, probably was not believed to be critically hurt. He was conscious while being taken to Hot Lake and was the only one in the accident who could tell anything about what happened at the time.

Wiley said his father was driving and when the car, on its way toward North Powder from Union, went onto the viaduct, it struck the guard railing and was wrecked. No other automobile figured in the accident.

POLING URGES SUPPORT FOR STATE DRY LAW

PORTLAND, April 13 (AP)—"This is an emergency, not a prohibition fight," said Dr. Daniel A. Poling, chairman of the Allied Forces for Prohibition, in addressing a mass meeting of prohibition workers here last night, after declaring that repeal of the Oregon dry law would be a severe blow to the dry cause.

"Let them win here, let the principal of withdrawal of support of the constitution, once pledged, be established," he stated, "and there is no prophet competent to tell where the work will end."

He said repeal of the Oregon law would be of greater consequence than repeal in New York because Oregon has been recognized as a dry state while New York never was dry.

Decoe Speaks For Payment of Bonus

WASHINGTON, April 13 (AP)—Dorold D. Decoe, national commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars, told the house ways and means committee today that "perhaps 98 per cent of the rank and file of the World War veterans" are behind the bonus payment proposal.

Decoe, who came from Sacramento, Cal., to sponsor the two billion dollar cash payment, said, "conditions are serious and the veterans need the money."

Walk on Grass Salem Signs Say

SALEM, Apr. 13 (AP)—Official Oregon believes in the enjoyment of its people. Contrary to the usual "Keep off the grass" signs placed around the beautiful capitol grounds, Secretary of State Hal E. Ross is preparing signs reading "Walk on the grass."

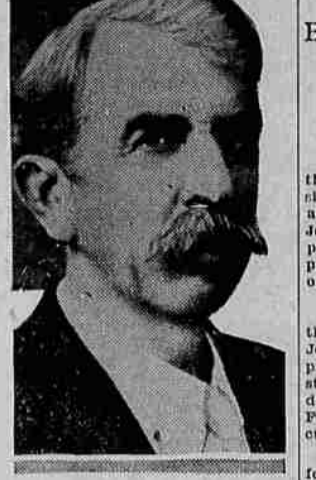
4-L Organization Asks Import Tax

PORTLAND, Apr. 13 (AP)—The 4-L organization has added its voice to those petitioning for an import tax of \$5 a thousand feet on all lumber entering the United States.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Apr. 13 (AP)—A low barometer in Texas which many traders took to indicate possible break up of the drought gave an irregular downward slant to grain values today.

GOING HOME



"Alfalfa Bill" Murray, governor of Oklahoma, who was reported missing in Oregon yesterday after failing to appear in three Western and Southern Oregon cities for speaking engagements, merely took the eastbound train for Oklahoma — without saying a word or even taking the trouble to cancel his engagements! He is a candidate for president.

WORK PROMOTION PLEDGES HIGHER

Total of \$17,810.50 Has Been Collected, Report Today Shows

A total of \$17,810.50 has been collected in pledges by less than 20 per cent of the solicitors who are soliciting in the La Grande Work Promotion Plan this week, according to an announcement from headquarters this morning. The plan was inaugurated here to stimulate business and to provide jobs for La Grande's 700 unemployed.

The pledges are being secured, not in money, but in promises to remodel, buy or build, giving the recognized wage in return.

WOMAN BURNS TO DEATH AT WOODSTOCK, ILL.

WOODSTOCK, Ill., Apr. 30 (AP)—There was a story of tragedy on the mail box near the home of Lizzie Furney, 65, yesterday.

Around the box was a pair of trousers and the rural mail carrier, making his regular rounds knew it was a signal that something was wrong.

Hurrying to the home he found the woman had been burned to death. Her two brothers, both blind and deaf, sensing that she was on fire, were helpless to aid her because they could neither see nor hear, and draped the mail box with the trousers to attract attention.

Investigators said it was apparent the woman's clothing had been ignited, when she tried to start a fire in a stove.

She had been taking care of the blind brothers for years, and had learned their sign language.

Everett Theatre Employe Kidnaped

HOQUIAM, Wash., April 13 (AP)—K. A. Swanson, Everett theatre man, told authorities here last night he had been kidnaped, robbed of \$25, drugged and thrown from his car which later was burned north of here.

Swanson said he picked up two hitchhikers while en route here and as soon as they entered his automobile, a sack was thrown over his head and his car commandeered.

The theatre man said he was driven into Hoquiam and after some time the two men drove about five miles north of here, where Swanson was pushed out of the machine.

Authorities investigating the fire found Swanson near the burning automobile, and revived him.

Body of Man Found

PORTLAND, Apr. 13 (AP)—The unidentified body of a man about 60 years old was found in the Willamette river here today. The body had been in the water three or four weeks, the coroner said.

A pair of eye glasses in the clothing bearing the name of a Portland optical company may lead to identification. The man was about 5 feet 10 inches tall, of medium build, with thin gray hair and gray mustache.

Prosecution In Fortescue Trial Begins Its Work

Blood Stained Clothing Introduced in Honolulu Murder Case—Darrow Acquiesces.

HONOLULU, April 13 (AP)—A hint that Mrs. Thalia Massie might possibly have been an accomplice in or an accessory to the lynching of Joseph Kahahawai, one of her supposed attackers, was made by the prosecution today in the trial of four others for the killing.

HONOLULU, April 13 (AP)—Weaving the details into its version of how Joseph Kahahawai was lynched, the prosecution introduced Tuesday blood stained clothing of the victim in evidence at the trial of Mrs. Granville Fortescue and three navy men accused of the killing.

Clarence Darrow, leader of the defense, accepted the offerings as evidence without further identification, thus apparently indicating he would not contest prosecution efforts to point to the defendants as the slayers.

The clothing was found in the automobile containing Mrs. Fortescue, Lieutenant Thomas H. Massie and E. J. Lord which was speeding toward Koko Head with the body of Kahahawai when stopped by police.

William Seymour, part Hawaiian motorcycle officer, the prosecution's first witness Tuesday, described in detail the finding of Kahahawai's body. He said it was wrapped in a white sheet, which was wet and bound with a rope.

Seymour said Mrs. Fortescue, Massie and Lord were near by when he arrived at the scene. A length of half-inch hemp rope was handed to Seymour by Public Prosecutor John C. Kelley.

"That is the rope," Seymour said.

Empire Holding Trial May Take Ten Days Time

DALLAS, Apr. 13 (AP)—Cross-examination of George Robinson, formerly a salesman of the Empire Holding company and the company's first temporary president, was continued today when the trial of Frank Keller Jr. was resumed here today. Keller Jr. was accused of the murder of the first day of the trial yesterday. Selection of the jury was completed the day previous.

The legal battle in the state's charges against Keller, sales counselor for the Empire Holding company, of devising a scheme to defraud, gave indications of extending for ten days or more. All defendants jointly indicted with Keller are in attendance at the trial. They are former Chief Justice Oliver P. Cowburn, J. H. Petty, W. R. Adams and Jay Stockman, former officials of the holding company.

During the day Attorney Barnett H. Goldstein for the state probed virtually every phase of Robinson's connection with the Empire organization, while Frank Longenecker, defense attorney, offered repeated objection to evidence introduced. Judge Arlio G. Walker in most instances ruled with the state holding that a wide latitude must be allowed the plaintiff in showing the devices Keller is alleged to have used in the promotion of Empire stock.

Senator Harris, Of Georgia, Is Better

HOUSTON, Tex., Apr. 13 (AP)—John A. Mobley, lawyer and capitalist killed when he fell or jumped from the ninth floor of the Hotel Pennsylvania in New York, was known to his associates as a sleep walker.

He registered at a hotel last night with a friend, John H. Shary, of Mission, Tex., who took an adjoining room. The two men, Shary said, visited at a local club last night, returning to the hotel early today.

First Forest Fire Of Season at Bend

BEND, Ore., April 13 (AP)—Ten acres of timber burned Tuesday in the lower Metolius river country before a forest service crew from Sisters tramped it after a hard battle. It was the first forest fire of the season.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Apr. 13 (AP)—A low barometer in Texas which many traders took to indicate possible break up of the drought gave an irregular downward slant to grain values today.

Exporters were represented as buying wheat futures at Winnipeg, however, and there were estimates 750,000 bushels of Canadian wheat had been purchased for shipment over seas. Profits taking by recent speculators buoyant was a feature of wheat trading here.

Wheat closed unsteady, 1 1/4 @ 1 1/2 lower than yesterday's finish, corn 1/4 @ 1/2 down, oats 1/4 @ 1/2 and provisions unchanged to 5 cents decline.

NO INSTALLMENT OF "KITTY FRKW" TODAY

Because of lack of space, the Observer was unable to print today's installment of the serial "Kitty Frkw." Today's installment will appear in the regular edition tomorrow.

PORTLAND, Apr. 13 (AP)

cash and futures wheat showed a reactionary tone in the final of the domestic markets today. On the Portland futures market with sales of 27,000 May, that option lost 1/2, July 3/4 and the September was off 1/2, but on the merchants exchange cash wheat lost 1/2, barley was off 5/8, ton while a similar advance was shown in millrun.