

MCLAUGHLIN APPLIES FOR RADIO PERMIT

La Grande Man Would Erect 50-Watt Broadcasting Station Here.

HOPEFUL AS TO FEDERAL ACTION

Points Out Possibilities of Station, and Wealth of Talent Available For Programs.

WASHINGTON, April 27 (AP)—An application for authority to establish a radio broadcasting station at La Grande, Ore., was filed Tuesday by J. B. McLaughlin with the federal radio commission.

HOPEFUL AS TO OUTLOOK

J. B. McLaughlin, who has applied to the federal radio commission for permission to operate a 50-watt radio broadcasting station in La Grande, stated today that he was hopeful that the commission would grant his request.

As to when action may be taken on the application, Mr. McLaughlin could not say. "It might take place today or it might be weeks," he said. If the request were granted, it would take approximately 60 days before the station could be placed in operation, he said.

Mr. McLaughlin contemplates purchase of DeForest broadcasting equipment, approved by the federal radio commission, which would give a maximum efficiency to the 50-watt power sufficient to provide all of North-eastern Oregon with daytime reception. He is applying for permission to broadcast from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. and 5 p. m. to 11 p. m.

He pointed out the wealth of musical talent in this locality, headed up by the La Grande band, the Blue Mountain Wranglers, E. O. N. and L. H. S. musical organizations, local and district soloists, etc., and also pointed out the possibility of advertising Willows lake, the Mt. Emily scenic drive, the historical facts surrounding this section, the beauty of the Old Oregon Trail highway and other drives in this area, and expects no difficulty in providing

QUARTER INCH OF MOISTURE IS WELCOMED

Rain, totaling .23 of an inch, fell in the La Grande area last night, accompanied by thunder. The moisture was generally welcomed by those with growing crops, although where planting is still under way, the showers were not so well appreciated.

The maximum temperature yesterday was 68 above and the minimum 44. The minimum early this morning was 45, three degrees lower than the reading at 7 a. m.

ESKIMOS SUFFER FOR WANT OF FOOD

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Apr. 27 (AP)—Eskimos living in the district between the mouth of the Yukon river and Hooper bay, where a tidal wave last December destroyed the natives' food supplies, are so desperately in need of "sustenance they are resorting to unprintable measures." Pilot Art Woodley said upon his return here yesterday.

Woodley had flown over the district with Rev. Francis Menager, superior of Jesuit missions in Alaska. The tidal wave carried ice blocks 20 miles inland and destroyed several native villages and food supplies over a vast territory.

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Somewhat unsettled tonight and Thursday, probably with showers in the northwest portion; cooler in the east and south portions tonight; moderate changeable winds offshore.

7 a. m.—48 above.
Minimum: 45 above.
Condition: Partly cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 68, minimum 44 above.
Condition: Partly cloudy, thunder, rain 23 of inch.
Range—24 degrees.

WEATHER APR. 27, 1932
Maximum 78, minimum 40 above.
Condition: Clear. Range—38 degrees.

27 Delegates At Missionary Meet At M. E. Church

Western District of Idaho Conference in Session — Miss Mabel Keech Speaks.

Twenty-seven delegates from Women's Home Missionary societies in the western district of the Idaho conference of the Methodist church are attending the 8th annual two-day convention which opened in La Grande last night at 8 o'clock at the Methodist church. Miss Mabel L. Keech, superintendent of the Manley Community center in Portland since last July, is the chief speaker of the convention.

The feature of the opening session last night was the presentation of a pageant, "In His Vineyard," by the Queen Esther group of the La Grande church. Two different homes are pictured in the production, that of Mrs. Richey who does not see the need of the outside world, and that of Mrs. Goode who realizes the need felt by world and who administers aid to the people. Mrs. R. F. Tyler and Miss Allie Klippel directed the production which was presented in costume.

Members of Cast
The cast included Mrs. Richey, Lela Whitney; her daughter, Grace, Evelyn Ballard; Mrs. Goode, Bernita Hyde; her daughter, Mary, Marion Boyles; Sarah Reade, a friend, Helen Hertzog; Lola and Dickie Poorman, two little poor children, Jean and Paul Hyde; Helen Wright, a friend, Maxine Shellworth; deaconess, Evelyn Masten; Chinese girl, Clarice Taylor; Indian girl, Bernita Pierson; Eskimo girl, Margaret Davy; six heralds, Jean McKennon, Margaret Dixon, Doris Duncan, Margaret Austin, Fern Broomfield, Gwendolyn Hertzog; Columbia. Genevieve Adler; soloists, Eileen Boyles; interpreter, Ray Pierson; Queen Esther girl, Marylou Piper; Home Guard representative, Fern Egan; Missionary society representative, Mrs. Glenn Wagner.

Miss Keech described the Manley Community center and their activities in Portland. The center is a national institution of the Women's Home Missionary society of the church, situated in the Western Oregon city, and assisting Miss Keech, superintendent, are nine full-time members of the staff and many volunteer workers who spend several hours a week at the settlement. Both children and adults enjoy the

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Six Programs Of Music Arranged For Coming Week

Six excellent musical programs, in which La Grande's most talented musicians will perform, have been arranged for the local observance of national music week, May 1 to 7. Mrs. R. S. Eakin, chairman of the program, said today in discussing the programs. National music week in La Grande is sponsored by the Neighborhood club, and assisted Mrs. Eakin on the committee are Mrs. W. W. Nusbaum, Miss Jennie Peterson, director of music at the Eastern Oregon Normal school, and Mrs. S. B. Morgan, president of the club.

Programs to suit every musical taste have been arranged. The opening program of church music Sunday evening, at 8 o'clock at the L. D. S. tabernacle, to the performance of the Grande High school music department on Friday evening at the High school auditorium, closing the program. Monday evening the La Grande band and the music department at the Eastern Oregon Normal school will present a group of selections at the tabernacle; while on Tuesday, "White Enchantment" by Charles Wakefield Cadman, the third program of the week will be

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State To Open Bids Tomorrow On Highway Jobs

SALEM, Apr. 27 (AP)—Bids on approximately \$750,000 worth of highway work and on \$72,000 bonds for maintenance of the million dollar short term issue will be opened by the state highway commission at its regular meeting in Portland tomorrow. The contract work, if awarded, will cover the construction or improvement of 116 miles of state highways, construction or improvement of six bridges and letting of a ferry contract. The work will be done in 12 counties.

The bids, other than the \$172,000 bond issue, to be opened include

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Local Man Faces Burglary Charge

A formal charge of burglary not in a dwelling was placed against Walter W. Gardner this morning before Judge L. Denham in the court of the justice of the peace, and after waiving preliminary hearing, the man was bound over to await the action of the grand jury. Bond was set at \$1500, and upon failure to furnish bond, Mr. Gardner was committed to the county jail.

He was arrested between 2 and 3 o'clock this morning by city officers who allege that he had broken into a furniture store. Mr. Gardner had bruises and cuts about his hands when brought before Judge Denham this morning.

SUSPEND 200 STUDENTS OF SALEM HIGH

Membership in Unlawful Secret Societies Cause of Action.

DRASTIC MOVE IS MADE BY BOARD

One Hundred More Will Be Dropped From Classes if Membership Can Be Established.

SALEM, Apr. 27 (AP)—Suspension of the approximately 200 students of the Salem High school, now known to be members of forbidden secret societies, will be carried on by school authorities with as little disruption as possible, Principal Fred Wolf of the high school announced today. All if the students were in school this morning, but the process of suspension will be started this afternoon and be done as rapidly as possible.

SALEM, Apr. 27 (AP)—Two hundred students, members of secret high school fraternities, were suspended from school by summary action of the Salem school board here last night, and more than 100 more will be dropped from classes as soon as their affiliation with secret societies can be definitely determined. Members of the board required less than 30 minutes to pass a blanket resolution suspending all girls and boys belonging to about nine secret societies organized within the school. Their credits will be withheld until such time as they produce sufficient

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CALIFORNIAN HELD BY STATE POLICE

Harold R. York's Sanity Questioned—Arrested By Sgt. Robertson.

Harold R. York, of Delano, Cal., who told officers he heard "voices" that told him what to do, is being held in jail today pending an official examination as to his sanity. A local physician examined him last night and expressed the opinion that he was mentally deranged and dangerous to be at large.

York, driving alone, was arrested on the highway west of La Grande yesterday by Sergeant J. A. Robertson of the state police, after the officer had followed him for some time. He became suspicious because of York's unusual driving tactics.

The man admitted that he tried to drown himself in the Big Sandy river near Portland, but backed out because the water was too cold after he waded out to his neck.

Officers are checking up further on the story he told, pending official examination of the man.

His folks are reported to live at Custon, Iowa. The man was apparently well educated and of some means, as he had some money with him at the time of the arrest, and

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Darrow Making Plea In Behalf Of Defendants

By William H. Ewing

HONOLULU, Apr. 27 (AP)—Before the strangest jury he ever faced in his long career, Clarence Darrow made his plea today for vindication of Lieutenant Thomas H. Maske and three others accused of second degree murder in the lynching of Joseph Kahahawai.

Mrs. Thalia Maske, wife of the naval officer; Mrs. Granville Fortescue, her defendant mother, and the accused enlisted men, Albert O. Jones and E. J. Lord, filed into the court room just before 9 o'clock to witness what they expected to be the last day of the trial.

Mrs. Fortescue, in whose name the killing occurred, stood beside her sister, Mrs. Helen Ripley and talked in

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Ward Holden On Trial in Baker Before Knowles

Defendant Accused of Slaying Milton Hopkins — Drinking Party Described in Court.

BAKER, Ore., Apr. 27 (Special)—The slaying of Milton Hopkins by Ward Holden in the Holden residence at Grove and Estes streets in the early morning of March 8 was described in detail Tuesday afternoon by Charles Betsy during Holden's trial on a charge of second degree murder in circuit court with Judge J. W. Knowles, of La Grande, presiding.

Testimony revealed before a crowded court room that Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins, Ward Holden, his former wife Gwendolyn, and several others had gathered at the Bay Conklin residence at 1170 Walnut street, a few blocks from the Holden residence, to attend a dance in the country. While at the Conklin house, Mrs. Holden was struck over the head by Ward with a half gallon jug of whisky. Holden left the house and was followed by Hopkins, Chester Blankenship and Herbert Brown in a car. They went to the Holden residence, where the shooting occurred. Betsy reached there first on foot.

Shooting Recounted
Betsy testified that he was admitted to the house by Holden and soon afterwards Ward admitted Hopkins and Blankenship.

Betsy asked Holden, "What's the trouble?"
Holden replied that "I don't think there is any."

When asked to return to the Conklin residence Holden said, "Maybe I will."

Betsy quoted Hopkins as saying, "Why did you break up the party?"
Holden replied, "Well you broke up my home and I'm going to get you."

Betsy said Holden fired three shots at Hopkins and the victim turned half around and fell to the floor part way out the kitchen door.

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Eastern Oregon Stockmen, O. S. C. Men at Meeting

By Mrs. L. Z. Terrill (Observer Correspondent)

UNION (Special)—A group of prominent Eastern Oregon stockmen and representatives from Oregon State college assembled at the apartment station at Union recently and spent a day discussing various livestock problems. Among those in attendance were Fred Phillips, of Baker, president of the Oregon Wool Growers' association, and Walter Holt, of Pendleton, secretary of the same association. Both the president, Herman Oliver, and C. L. Jamison, secretary of the Oregon Cattle association were in attendance from John Day. Representatives from the state college were Dean W. A. Schoenfeld, Dr. B. T. Slim, college veterinarian, and Prof. G. R. Hyslop, prominent livestock men who attended the meeting were K. O. Warner and son, sheep growers from Pendleton; J. G. Barrett and W. P. Mahoney, from Heppner; Melvin Fyll of Pendleton; Wayne Stewart of Fallville; Sherman Gutzidge of Arden City; Herbert Chandler, John Dinsley, and Homer Holcomb, of Baker; and E. E. Miller and George Benson, of Union. County agents who came to the meeting were R. G. Johnson, Canyon City; P. T. Fortner, Baker; and Walter Holt from Pendleton. Dave Stephens, superintendent of the experimental station at Moro was also a visitor.

Among the problems that were discussed at length were wool marketing and the disposal of this year's wool clip, and livestock marketing with special reference to marketing

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De Valera, Defeated, Refuses to Resign

DUBLIN, Irish Free State, Apr. 27 (AP)—The government of President Eamon D. Valera was defeated in the dail eireann today in a division on the unemployment issue. The vote was 76 to 66.

"Resign" the opposition members cried when the result of the vote was announced.

The president told them that anybody who wanted him to get out could put a motion of no confidence. This was accepted as an indication he had no intention of resigning.

Eastern Oregon Athletes to Make Assault of Track Marks Saturday

About 100 or more high school athletes, representing some eight or nine Eastern Oregon schools, will begin an assault on 14 track and field records at the annual district meet at Union Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. At that time preliminaries will begin, to continue until noon.

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JAPAN OPENS DRIVE AIMED AT REVOLTERS

Make Effort to Suppress Rebellion Against Henry Pu-Yi.

THREE BRIGADES TAKE THE FIELD

Rebel Forces, Estimated at 20,000 Men, Object of Sweeping "Pincers" Movement.

HARBIN, Manchuria, April 27 (AP)—Japan's Manchurian military machine opened today the greatest drive since the capture of Chinchow in an effort to suppress a Chinese revolt against the government of Henry Pu-Yi.

Three Japanese brigades moved by rail and river boats, in a sweeping "pincers" movement against the rebel forces, estimated at 20,000, along the eastern lines of the Chinese Eastern railway and in the lower Sungari valley.

Lesser Battles Occur
At the same time lesser Japanese forces sought to crush minor revolts in the Tungshu district, 125 miles east of Mukden and in the Tungliang region, on the Mongolian border, northwest of Mukden.

The main Japanese force is made up of Major General Murai's brigade, now near Imlenpo and Hengtaohotze, on the eastern end of the Chinese Eastern railway, ready to move northward toward Fang-Cheng and Sanhsin; Major General Yoda's brigade

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TAX CHANGES ARE NECESSARY HOOVER SAYS

RICHMOND, Va., Apr. 27 (AP)—As the sure highway to national recovery, President Hoover cited to the governors' conference today the "absolute necessity" of reduced expenditures, better distributed taxation and balanced budgets on the part of the government.

"Town councils, county commissions, state legislatures and the congress agree on these fundamentals, he said, but to accomplish them "we must have the intelligent support of the people themselves, that selfish vested interest and habit do not, by their organized sectional and group oppositions or individual action, defeat these high purposes."

He urged study of the tax problem with a view toward reorganization to distribute the burden more evenly, and cutting down duplication in taxation by the federal, state and local governments.

HOOVER VETO PLACED UPON PENSION BILL

WASHINGTON, Apr. 27 (AP)—President Hoover today vetoed a bill granting an increase in pensions to soldiers and sailors and in some cases granting new pensions.

He added it also contained some meritorious cases but he vetoed the bill because of a number of underserving ones.

Ask Recall of Two In Columbia County

ST. HELENS, Ore., Apr. 27 (AP)—Recall of County Judge Wellington Commissioner Mills of Columbia county is demanded in petitions for a recall election filed with the county clerk here Tuesday. The petitions allege, among other things, that the county clerk ignored the wishes of the taxpayers as expressed at a budget meeting.

Petitions requesting a recall for Commissioner Miller likewise were presented, but the county clerk refused to accept them unless the petitioners made a cash payment of \$1402 or posted bond assuring payment to reimburse the county for the cost of a previous recall election against him.

Reporter Wounded By Two Gangsters

CANTON, Ohio, Apr. 27 (AP)—Harry Bouklias, a reporter for the Ohio Examiner, a weekly newspaper, was shot and seriously wounded in front of his home here early today. Two men, who lay in wait, opened fire on him with a shotgun.

The Examiner has been waging a campaign against organized crime in Canton and other Ohio cities and has carried many attacks against the Canton police and underworld characters.

The shooting of Bouklias came just six years after the slaying of Don R. Mellett, crusading Canton editor, who was assassinated while waging war against crime in the "jungle section" of the city.

TWO HEARTS



Here you see "two hearts doubled." Anyway, Oswald Jacoby, New York bridge expert, and Miss Mary Zita Melham, national public parks tennis champion of Dallas, Tex., were married the other day.

SENTENCING OF KELLER DELAYED

Found Guilty Yesterday Afternoon; Coshov Trial Next on Schedule.

DALLAS, Ore., April 27 (AP)—Sentence upon Frank J. Keller Jr., former sales counselor of the Empire Holding company who was found guilty by a Polk county jury late yesterday of devising a scheme with intent to defraud, will not be pronounced until the cases pending

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Lindy Reported Making Contact With Kidnapers

NORFOLK, Va., Apr. 27 (AP)—John Hughes Curtis returned here today from a trip made in the interest of negotiations for the return of the kidnapped Lindbergh baby. He referred all questions to Rear Admiral Guy H. Burgess, retired, spokesman for the three Norfolk intermediaries.

HOPEWELL, N. J., Apr. 27 (AP)—Charles A. Lindbergh Jr. was still missing today, despite a high official's declaration that Colonel Lindbergh is understood to have made a personal contact with the baby's kidnapers.

Another Mysterious Act

NORFOLK, Va., Apr. 27 (AP)—Another act in the mystery drama played by three Norfolk men attempting to recover the Lindbergh baby was believed to be drawing towards its close today with the sea as the probable setting.

John Hughes Curtis, Norfolk boat builder, is seeking a contact with the men believed to be the kidnapers or their representatives. Reports from Hopewell, N. J., indicate that Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh may join the Norfolk intermediary on a boat off the Virginia coast in the hope of bringing the negotiations to

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Wartime Tax Rates Are Turned Down

WASHINGTON, Apr. 27 (AP)—After rejecting a proposal to boost surtaxes to the war time maximum of 65 per cent, the senate finance committee today voted an increase in all income tax rates above the levies written into the new revenue bill by the house.

The committee almost unanimously adopted a schedule presented by Senator Harrison, Mississippi, ranking Democrat, calling for a maximum surtax of 45 per cent instead of the 40 per cent figure carried in the house bill.

Milwaukee Gives Gangsters The "Cold Shoulder"

And That is Why Crime in the Wisconsin Metropolis is on the Decrease; Here's How.

Editor's Note—Crime, the bane of most large American cities, actually is decreasing in Milwaukee. That situation has raised the question, "How does this Wisconsin metropolis thwart efforts of gangsters and racketeers to gain a foothold?" Here Milwaukee's methods of stamping out criminal elements are explained by the man who is chief prosecutor for the county.

By George A. Bowman (District Attorney of Milwaukee County, as told to R. S. Kleckner, Associated Press Staff writer.)

MILWAUKEE, April 27 (AP)—Gangsters? Racketeering? Not in Milwaukee county.

There's too much "heat" from city and county authorities and from Milwaukee's gentled saloonkeepers to permit racketeering to get a start. Gangsters were brought into existence by supplying illegal goods to persons who demanded those goods and were willing to pay for them. Gangsterism, offering opportunity for easy money, needed economic and legal contacts to succeed. There can be no organized gang without protection from police and courts and without "shyster" lawyers for go-betweens.

No Protection
Protection for those outside the law in Milwaukee county is unheard of insofar as local officials are concerned. It must be understood that Wisconsin has no state prohibition law, which eliminates much opportunity for graft in saloon operation. Hence the saloonkeeper is the

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Carl Helm Gives Talk at Rotary Club Luncheon

District Attorney Carl Helm addressed the members of the Rotary club at their luncheon at the La Grande hotel this noon, taking as his subject the problem of delinquency. He mentioned the now discarded theories of the causes of delinquency and methods of detecting criminal tendencies in individuals, such as psychiometry and intelligence tests. The average criminal, Mr. Helm said, scores as high on an intelligence test as the average law-abiding person. Such tests are unsatisfactory because they leave out of consideration the emotional factors which frequently overrule the intellect in a time of excitement.

Delinquency has run in cycles in La Grande, said Mr. Helm, and at various times local boys have been sent to the penitentiary or to reform school; but Oregon's system does not reform criminals, it educates first offenders to be professional criminals. There is great need of a better system for handling first

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Stimson to Sail For America On Vulcania May 4

GENEVA, Switzerland, Apr. 27 (AP)—Henry L. Stimson, the American secretary of state, is sailing for the United States next Tuesday. It was announced today.

It was understood the secretary of state would sail on the Vulcania from Cannes, France.

The Vulcania is due to sail en route to New York from Cannes May 4.

Twice within the week that the secretary has been in Geneva to attend

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Party Seeks Man To Bear Standard

OMAHA, Neb., Apr. 27 (AP)—Delegates to the national farmer-labor convention today scanned the file of their leaders for presidential timber and the names of Frank Webster of San Francisco and Mayor Jacob S. Coxey of Massillon, Ohio, stood in relief.

Among those mentioned as standard-bearer prospects, besides Webster and Coxey, was Thomas Mooney, the labor leader recently denied a pardon by California's governor. Coxey, the man who led the famous "Coxey's army" to Washington in 1894, addressed the convention yesterday, assailing America's money system and advocating that the federal government issue "enough money to pay the soldiers' bonus and put every idle man to work on public improvements."

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SMITH GAINS VOTES OVER ROOSEVELT

"This Will Put a Chock Under the Band Wagon," Al Remarks.

NOT FAR BEHIND IN PENNSYLVANIA

Roosevelt's Lead is Menaced—General Smedley Butler Beaten By Senator Davis.

SMITH MAKES COMMENT
NEW YORK, Apr. 27 (AP)—The first decisive check in the march of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt toward the Democratic presidential nomination drew from former Gov. Alfred E. Smith today the remark: "Well, I guess that will put a chock under the band wagon."

His slate of delegates-at-large from Massachusetts to the Democratic national convention defeated the Roosevelt slate overwhelmingly. Massachusetts has 36 votes in the convention.

In Pennsylvania's preferential primary, he was only about 2000 votes behind Roosevelt, whose supporters had expected him to show enough strength so there could be no doubt of his getting 66 votes out of the state's 78 in the convention.

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MILLS SPEAKS AGAINST CASH BONUS TODAY

WASHINGTON, Apr. 27 (AP)—Secretary Mills today issued a powerful administration offensive against cash payment of the soldiers' bonus.

He spoke before the house ways and means committee appearing as a witness in its extended hearings on the issue.

In language no less forceful than that which Charles G. Dawes employed before the senate committee a week ago, the new treasury chief drove home his opposition to the \$4,400,000,000 outlay, whether paid in borrowed money or through inflation of the currency.

"The measure now before you is designed to pay an obligation not due, in money that is not honest," Mills said.

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Girl, Hit By Ball, Fails to Recover

PORTLAND, Apr. 27 (AP)—Joyce Seaton, seven years old, was fatally injured here last Tuesday when an indoor baseball struck her over the head while she stood on a vacant lot watching some boys play baseball. Firemen worked over the child a half an hour but were unable to revive her. An examination disclosed the little girl suffered from leakage of the heart valves and the shock of the blow is believed to have killed her. The ball was thrown from the outfield to the catcher.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Apr. 27 (AP)—Influenced by relative strength shown by the stock market, late rallies in grain values today largely overcame early downturns.

A good part of the wheat trade consisted of spreading operations between the various deliveries. Crop reports as to domestic winter wheat were of a more mixed character than recently. What closed unsettled than recently, a yesterday's finish to 3/4c lower, corn unchanged to 1/4c off, oats unchanged to 1/4c off and provisions unchanged to 7 cents down.

PORTLAND, Apr. 27 (AP)—Both May and September wheat were lower on the Portland futures market today, the former closing with a loss of 3/4c and the latter 1/2c. There were no sales during the day.