

PROHIBITION AGENT SLAIN; SEEK KILLER

LARGE POSSE ON TRAIL OF J. E. COUSINS

Proebstel, Wash. Man Takes to Hills After Shooting Officers.

ARREST ATTEMPT CAUSE OF CRIME

Ballard Turner Dead and Ed C. Vlasich Probably Fatally Wounded, Officers Report.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 30 (AP)—While a large posse of men searched the wild and rugged country near Proebstel, Wash., for Jesse E. Cousins, who allegedly killed one federal prohibition agent and probably fatally wounded another, his brother, Louis, was in custody here today on an open charge.

Louis, arrested at the brothers' home early today by a posse led by Maurice Smith, federal prohibition administrator for the Pacific Northwest district, was brought here. He was taken to the hospital where Ed C. Vlasich lies probably fatally wounded. Vlasich, barely able to talk, said he was not the man who killed Ballard Turner and wounded him following an attempted raid on the Cousins' place last night.

Brother Blamed

Vlasich, when Louis Cousins was taken before him, was quoted by authorities as saying Jesse Cousins was the only man present and that it was he who did the shooting. Louis claimed he was in Portland last night and did not return home until early this morning.

The shooting occurred last night when the federal agents, who said earlier they had discovered a still on the Cousins place, went there and purchased some liquor. After the liquor had been delivered to the agents, Vlasich, barely able to talk, told Cousins he was under arrest. Cousins allegedly whipped out his automatic pistol, shot Vlasich three times and then turned on Turner.

R. W. Crowell and W. A. Kirby, two other agents in the raiding party, up when they heard the shooting. Turner was dead, Vlasich lying probably mortally wounded. Both Turner and Vlasich had their guns in their hands but not a shot had been fired by them. Seven empty shells were found on the ground. Cousins was not in sight.

DRY WEATHER NOT WELCOME TO FARMERS

With the aridness of the Eastern Oregon summer spreading over into the autumn season, farmers and stockmen in this section are anxiously hoping for rain.

Pastures have dried up prematurely and the soil is in such condition that it brings frowns of worry to farmers who expect to sow fall wheat. Some stockmen are reported to have resorted to feeding hay to their herds, and others fear this will be necessary soon unless soaking rains come.

The days during the last fortnight have been like summer. Thursday's maximum in La Grande was 86 above.

Tuckey Funeral To Be Held Saturday

Funeral services for E. C. Tuckey will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary. It was announced today that the funeral would be held at this time.

Arrangements were completed this morning after the arrival of Frank Tuckey, a son, from Cordova, Alaska.

Rev. Paul De F. Mortimore, of the Christian church, will preach the funeral sermon and burial will take place in the Masonic cemetery.

MRS. BORAH IMPROVING

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 30 (AP)—"Improvement continues slowly" for Mrs. William E. Borah, suffering from pneumonia or parrot fever, her physician reported today.

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Cloudy on the coast; fair in the interior tonight and Saturday; cooler in the east; moderate north and northwest winds offshore.

WEATHER TODAY

7 a. m.—50 above.

Minimum: 43 above.

Condition: Clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 86, minimum 42 above.

Condition: Clear. Range: 44 degrees.

WEATHER SEPT. 30, 1932

Maximum 78, minimum 40 above.

Condition: Clear. Range: 38 degrees.

Farm Prices At 59 Per Cent Of Pre-War Level

NO CHANGE ON SEPT. 15 FROM AUG. 15—SEVERAL PRODUCTS SHOW GAIN BUT OTHERS SHOW LOSS.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30 (AP)—Farm prices of agricultural products on Sept. 15 were reported today by the department of agriculture to have been 59 per cent of the pre-war level, with no change from Aug. 15.

On Sept. 15 of last year the index was 72 per cent of pre-war prices.

Farm prices of chickens and eggs were up 9 points from Aug. 15 to Sept. 15, but were 15 points below last year; cotton and cottonseed prices were up 6 points during the month and 10 points over 1931; grains were down 2 points and 9 points respectively; meat animals down 2 to 19 points; dairy products up 2 points in the month but off 5 points from last year; fruits and vegetables down 11 and 15 points.

The farm price of hogs declined 7 per cent during the month.

Prospects for a 1932 corn crop considerably larger than last year's production, larger receipts and continued poor commercial and feeding demand were reported to have combined to depress the domestic average farm price on Sept. 15 approximately 7 per cent under July's index.

A 3 per cent decline in the average farm price of wheat during the month was attributed to increased offerings of the large new crop of Canadian grain and to increased Russian exports.

Mountaineers To Open Season At Baker Saturday

The Eastern Oregon Norman school football squad of 26 men will leave tomorrow morning for Baker where the Mountaineers will play the Baker Independents at 2:30 in the afternoon. Coach Bob Quinn expects to use every man on the squad, and probably will base his lineup for the game next Friday night at Caldwell against College of Idaho on the showing of his players against Baker. The Baker team is composed of former college and high school gridsters.

The starting lineup for tomorrow follows: Halverson, left end; Leslie, left tackle; Hoyt, left guard; Lowry, center; Pearson, right guard; Hodgins, right tackle; Carden, right end; Osterling, quarterback; Hansen, left half; Roe, right half; Lasse, fullback; Othman, center; Sayre, center; Grod and Jackson, guards; Cooke and Plank, tackles; Plass, Hogle and Miree, ends; Burnett, Worthley, quarterbacks; Sannar, Evans and Beery, halfbacks; Richards and Waddill, fullbacks.

Bonnie Jesse has been coaching the line during the last week, with Coach Quinn devoting much of his time to the backfield and to plays.

Fifteen men turned out for the freshman grid squad yesterday, with Cecil Posey as coach. Several players are expected. It is planned to schedule several games for the fresh lineup.

Wallowa Against Zorn-Macpherson School Measure

A. W. Nelson, Senator C. R. Eberhard, Harold Finlay and J. H. Pearce attended a meeting of the Wallowa chamber of commerce last night at Wallowa, and presented the argument in opposition to the Zorn-Macpherson school moving bill. They found that opinion among Wallowa and Enterprise men is strongly opposed to the bill but unable to ascertain the feeling of the remainder of the county.

Thirty business men from Enterprise also attended the dinner meeting.

Wallowa county residents who are growing beards to advertise the county fair which opens next week, now have some really remarkable beards, they stated upon their return.

Storm Death Toll Estimated at 300

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30 (AP)—Governor Beverley in a telegram to the war department today estimated property losses in Porto Rico from the hurricane at between \$30,000,000 and \$50,000,000.

Beverley's message said the number of dead now is estimated at 300 and the injured at 2500. The known dead at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, Beverley reported, numbered 204 and the injured 1605.

Babe White Climbs Six-Story Hotel

Babe White scaled the walls of the La Grande hotel last night and perched on a trapeze before a large crowd which was able to see all his movements through the aid of a powerful light. The "Human Fly," who claims he has climbed the Woolworth building, went up the side of the six-story structure with apparent ease, making the climb about 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Jasper Granted Audience With Pope Pius At Rome

Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Jasper have recently completed a tour of Italy which Mrs. Jasper, who was formerly Miss Constance Cleaver, has described vividly in a letter to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Cleaver. Dr. Jasper, who is studying in Europe, was one of the scientists who spoke before the International Congress of Physiology at Rome, at which noted physiologists from all parts of the world were present.

An interview with Pope Pius was one of the highlights of their visit in Rome. He granted an interview with members of the congress at which the former La Granderes were present. Mrs. Jasper states that his entrance into the audience was very impressive, led by the Swiss guards in scarlet costumes and a group of other officers. A cardinal in scarlet preceded the pope who was dressed in simple white. The congress found

34 MEN LOST WHEN NEVADA IS WRECKED

Only Pieces of Battered Hulk of Freighter Mark Death Spot

THREE SURVIVORS OF SEA TRAGEDY

Captain and First Officer, Both of Portland, Leap Overboard in Raging Waters.

SEATTLE, Sept. 30 (AP)—Pieces of the battered hulk of the Japan-bound freighter Nevada pounded today on a rocky shore in the Aleutian islands, marking the spot where 34 men went to their deaths in stormy seas but also signalling where deeds of heroism by crews of two other ships saved the lives of three survivors.

Aboard the liner President Madison, which has resumed its course towards Victoria, B. C., from Japan, the three men at first lay in a serious condition from exposure, able to talk a little, but recovered within a short time. They had fought their way to the shores of Amagigak Island when the Nevada grounded, while their mates drowned, and remained there without food and shelter for nearly two days.

Before their eyes, they said, their captain, T. W. Johansen, of Portland, Ore., and the first officer, E. T. Wendt, also of Portland, leaped overboard into the raging water, to disappear.

The three were: James Thorsen, a cadet, of Portland; Fritz Dewall, able bodied seaman, no address; and Lucena N. Decaney, ordinary seaman, Hiale, Manila, P. I.

Until told that all of their mates had been lost, they believed that the radio operator, William H. Robertson, of Redondo Beach, Cal., might still be safe on the vessel, or too badly hurt to leave. A lifeboat crew of the other rescue ship, the Oregon Maru, however, had approached the wrecked ship early yesterday and said no signs of life could be seen aboard.

With no further hope possible, the President Madison, under command of Capt. R. J. Healy, which had raced 300 miles to the scene to find the Oregon Maru already there, turned its prow southwestward at 4:30 p. m. yesterday afternoon. Both had stood by the Nevada, which had gone aground probably within a few hours after sending out an SOS late Tuesday night, for many hours, practically

WALLA WALLA TO PLAY LA GRANDE

Blue Devils to Meet Tigers Saturday in First Game of Grid Season.

HOW THEY'LL START (Probable starting lineup)

Bean, left end

Howard, left tackle

Munhall, left guard

Oswley (Capt.), center

Feuerhelm, right guard

Sloop, right tackle

Twinn, right end

R. DeBoie, quarterback

Saller, left halfback

Roe, right halfback

Munell, fullback

Others expected to see action against Wa-Hi: Hogenson and Kimball, ends; Corey and Peterson, tackles; Lilly, Alvey, Thompson and Halley, guards; Enberg, center; Bud Reynolds, quarterback; Floberg and Webb, halfbacks; E. DeBoie, fullback.

A light workout this afternoon and tomorrow at 2 o'clock the La Grande Tigers, the only hope to stop Enterprise this fall in the Savages quest for a second consecutive Eastern Oregon title, will open their season against the strong Walla Walla High school eleven at the L. H. S. athletic field.

The Blue Devils, off to a running start by an 18 to 12 victory over Pasco last week, are likely to make the football fly here tomorrow, and the Tiger is expecting an unusually interesting afternoon. It is generally reported that the Wa-Hi players on the shelf because of operations, etc., are not first team regulars, so local fans may be assured that Coach Harold Dimick will have practically his full strength on the La Grande field.

Tough Opener

In Walla Walla, the Blue and White football machine will find one of the toughest opening opponents in years, and the Interstate game is billed as one of the biggest of the season. But Coach Ira Woodie, after scouting the game with Pasco, is convinced that his team has a chance to win.

A large crowd is expected, as this is one of the two big high school

Glenna Vare and Virginia Van Wie In Golf Finals

PEABODY, Mass., Sept. 30 (AP)—Glenna Collett Vare, of Philadelphia, and Virginia Van Wie of Chicago, two of the most consistent golfers in the country, qualified today to battle for the 36th women's national golf championship.

In the semi-finals Mrs. Vare overwhelmed Ada MacKenzie of Toronto, former Canadian champion, five and four. It was the seventh time since 1922 Mrs. Vare has qualified for the final.

Miss Van Wie gained the right to meet Mrs. Vare in the 36 hole final tomorrow by defeating Charlotte Glutting of Short Hills, N. J., four and three.

Willcock Funeral Sunday Afternoon

Funeral services for Frederick B. Willcock will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary, with Rev. J. George Walz, of the Presbyterian church, officiating. The Odd Fellows will have charge of the services at the grave. Burial will take place in the family plot in the Masonic cemetery.

Four Bandits Raid Bank

WHAPETON, N. D., Sept. 30 (AP)—Four bandits raided the Citizens National bank of \$5800 today, slugged the cashier and took two women, an employee and customer, 25 miles into the country before leaving them in an abandoned farm. The women were wounded.

Miss Ruth Whippa, bookkeeper and Miss Doris Stock, customer, were suffering from gunshot wounds, and brought to a hospital. Officers said they apparently were caught in gunfire exchanged between the raiders and pursuers, who took up the trail.

The bandits, who were armed with machine guns, were reported south of Breckenridge, Minn., across the Red river from here.

The sheriff's office declared unfounded a report that the raiders

F. R. Talks On Taxes, Mortgages

HUGE RUSSIAN POWER DAM COMPLETED



Airmail Planes May Stop Here For Dedication

Further details in connection with the dedication of Rankin field, the new airport east of La Grande, were worked out at a noon meeting of the airport dedication committee today, and it was announced following the session that indications were that the airmail planes, due over La Grande about 11:15 o'clock, probably would stop at the field.

If this results, it will add additional color to the dedication ceremonies, which are expected to be witnessed by a huge crowd.

Stunt fliers and parachute jumpers are expected to be present and the number of Oregon aviators, as well as fliers from neighboring states, are expected. The program will begin about 11 o'clock in the morning.

The dedication will be held on Sunday, Oct. 9.

FARMER HAS DAY AT OREGON FAIR

Attendance Yesterday 14,765; J. E. Reynolds Elected to Directorate.

SALEM, Sept. 30 (AP)—Those to whom agricultural fairs are dedicated—the farmers—had their day at the Oregon State fair today. Organized groups featured on the next to last day of the week's schedule included grangers and members of the farmers' union. Albany and Linn county shared the honors at the event.

Attendance at the fair yesterday augmented by Corvallis and Benton county delegations, was announced as 14,765. Tomorrow Portland will have the day and the closing period of the 71st annual event is expected to set new Saturday records.

The pet and costume parade for boys and girls will also feature Saturday. This is a new event for the fair and entries are being listed by the hundreds. The parade is scheduled for 1 o'clock.

Tom Maddox, of Clackamas county, was announced as the champion showman of the livestock in the boys' and girls' 4-H club department. Randall Grimes of Harrisburg, Linn county, was second; Hans Leuthold, (Continued From Page Four)

LETTER CLUE TO BOMBERS, POLICE BELIEF

WORCESTER, Mass., Sept. 30 (AP)—A letter and a postcard, the former received by Worcester police and the latter intercepted by a postal clerk at Quincy, today held the attention of authorities investigating the bombing of Judge Webster Thayer's home early Tuesday morning.

William P. Finnegan, superintendent of Worcester detectives, said the letter received in Worcester was written in Italian and "pertained to the Thayer case." Its contents were withheld.

Meanwhile Boston authorities were spurred to further action by a postcard intercepted by a clerk at the Quincy post office last night.

The card, addressed to police headquarters, Boston, contained a threat to bomb the home of former Governor Alvan T. Fuller and Boston city hall.

Court Reverses McKee Decision

NEW YORK, Sept. 30 (AP)—The appellate division of the supreme court Thursday reversed the decision of Supreme Court Justice John E. McKeehan, who had held that Mayor Joseph V. McKee should remain in the mayor's office until Jan. 1, 1934 and that no special election should be held this year.

The appellate division was divided four to one, Justice Francis Martin dissenting.

McKee succeeded to the office of mayor upon the resignation of James J. Walker a little more than three weeks ago.

WALKER MAY RUN

NEW YORK, Sept. 30 (AP)—On the heels of a court decision calling for a mayoralty election in November, the name of former Mayor James J. Walker was mentioned in political circles today as a possible candidate for re-election.

SPENDING OF LEADERS IS UNDER FIRE

Roosevelt Accuses Hoover Administration in Sioux City Address.

PLEDGES HIMSELF TO HELP FARMERS

Democratic Leader Lists What He Calls "Tragic Consequences of the Depression."

By Walter T. Brown (Associated Press Staff Writer)

ABOARD ROOSEVELT SPECIAL, En Route to Milwaukee, Sept. 30 (AP)—Governor Roosevelt today crowded Iowa, the birthplace of President Hoover, his rival for the presidency, whose administration he accused in a Sioux City speech of being the greatest spending administration in peace times in all our history.

The special train of the Democratic candidate, on the last lap of its 8000-mile journey through the middle and far west, was scheduled to reach Milwaukee at 10 p. m. Eight hours later, Mr. Roosevelt will be in Chicago for the last weekend before he returns to the New York state capitol.

Discusses Taxes

Mr. Roosevelt, speaking at the stockyards baseball park last night in Sioux City, discussed taxes, the tariff and mortgages and their relationship to farmer relief.

"We are not getting an adequate return for the money we are spending in Washington," the nominee declared.

The administration, he added, "has piled bureau on bureau, committee on committee, and has failed to anticipate the dire needs or reduced earning power of the people. Bureaus and bureaucrats have been retained at the expense of the taxpayer."

Continuing, Mr. Roosevelt said: "I read that the president is at work on a plan to consolidate and simplify the federal bureaucracy. Well, long years ago in the campaign of 1928 he as candidate proposed to do this. Today, once more a candidate, he is still proposing. I leave you to draw your own inferences."

Mentions Mortgage

Taking up the farm mortgage situation, Mr. Roosevelt asserted: "Today I read in the papers that for the first time the administration of President Hoover has discovered the

Home-Children Problem One Of Biggest, Hoover

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30 (AP)—President Hoover has taken the position that "in the larger sense none of the problems before us is greater than the problem of the home and the children."

The chief executive expressed this view in a message to a round-table conference of representatives of more than 1800 women's organizations, held in New York under auspices of the New York Herald Tribune Institute. It was broadcast nationally last night from the Lincoln study of the White House.

Mr. Hoover repeated to the conference the "children's charter" evolved at the White House child welfare conference and pledged his support to its realization. He said in part: "I could have taken part of my time to speak to you about such problems as world disarmament, American policies in advancement of world peace, the importance of the forthcoming economic conference in Europe, the problems of reconstruction from the present depression, the tremendous problems of reorganization we must face as a result of our experience in the last three years. x x x

"But in the larger sense none of the problems before us is greater than the problem of the home and the children. x x x

"Our most immediate question is the strain of the depression upon the children. x x x but it would not only help childhood, but would aid in the better distribution of the work amongst adult bread winners if more children were eliminated from those

LIFE PRISONER DIES AFTER 56 YEARS IN PEN

BRIDGEWATER, Mass., Sept. 30 (AP)—Jesse Pomeroy, 70, Massachusetts' notorious life prisoner, died at the state farm here last night of heart disease after having served 56 years behind prison bars.

Pomeroy, who served 40 years of his life sentence in solitary confinement at the state prison in Charlestown, was sentenced in 1873 for the murder of a child.

He was known to have killed at least two children and to have injured several others. He was then but 14 years old, having begun his career of crime at the age of 13.

He had been in poor health for several years and, for that reason, was transferred to the state farm about four years ago.

Stolen Arms Are Found In River

ASTORIA, Ore., Sept. 30 (AP)—Most of the arms stolen from the United States coast guard picket boat here recently have been recovered and others are believed to be buried in the mud of the river near where they were stolen.

Commander H. G. Hemmingsway, of the coast guard cutter Redwing, said one rifle and one pistol had been recovered from the river at a point near where the boat was moored at the time of the raid. He said that while he lacked official confirmation he believed that a machine gun recovered in Oakland, Cal., Thursday may be the one stolen from the picket boat.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Sept. 30 (AP)—All-time low-record prices established today for Canadian wheat did much to bring about general weakness here in every kind of grain.

Leading unofficial authorities figured that 140,000,000 bushels of Canadian wheat has been marketed in the prairie provinces since Aug. 1, compared with 55,000,000 a year ago. It was asserted, however, that the peak of the Canadian wheat movement has been passed.

Wheat closed unsettled,  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$ c under yesterday's finish, corn unchanged to  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  c lower, oats unchanged to  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  c, and provisions varying from 7 cents decline to 50 advance.