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U. S. COST CUTS PUT AT BILLIONS

Harding's Savings Cited by Vice-President.

AMERICAN RECORD PRAISED

Year's Achievements Said to Be Worthy of Great Nation.

FUTURE TO REAP BENEFIT

Mr. Coolidge in Speech Declares That Much Has Been Done to Care for War Veterans.

NEW YORK, March 26.—The first year of President Harding's administration has been a period of progress with an almost incredible achievement in economy, Vice-President Coolidge declared in an address today before the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences.

Asserting that public employes had been reduced nearly 60,000, the army by 85,000, and large reductions proposed in the naval forces, all of which were beginning to show in the government's appropriations and expenditures, the vice-president said:

"Prior to the war, the annual appropriations were a little more than a billion dollars. For the last fiscal year they were slightly more than five and one-half billions. For the present fiscal year it was estimated that this will be reduced to somewhat less than four billions, and for the next fiscal year, for which appropriations are now being made, there will be a reduction to about three and one-half billions.

Road Funds Large.

"If, from present expenditures, there be deducted those items that arose from the war and the extra amount now being expended on good roads and the army and navy, the present cost of running the government would not exceed the pre-war cost by more than two or three hundred millions.

"This represents an achievement in economy which is almost incredible."

Stating that the Washington arms conference "proceeded on the fundamental theory of substituting for the sanction of force in international relations the sanction of reason," Mr. Coolidge asserted:

"It had been a year of progress altogether worthy of a great people. It does not mean that the burdens of existence are to be lifted from mankind. It does not mean that military establishments are to be no longer required. An agreement to maintain a parity between navies is not an agreement to abolish navies. There will be a great saving of expenditure but it will not be so much in present costs as in future requirements. These great remedial policies which are being adopted are fundamental in principle. They mean that hereafter a larger proportion of human effort can go into productive activity.

Veterans' Relief Described.

An adequate organization for administering government relief of war veterans was one of the first domestic problems, he said, which later was placed under the supervision of the veterans bureau.

"It is to realize," he added, "what a stupendous task this work is, when it is remembered that there has already been paid to disabled veterans and their dependent relatives about a billion and a half dollars, and there is going out of the treasury each day close to a million and a quarter dollars. The government already has nearly 30,000 hospital beds and will soon have 35,000. There are about 29,000 men already in hospitals who receive, besides their keeping and care, from $80 to $157 each month.

"There are about 105,000 men receiving vocational training, most of them under pay and at a maximum cost of $160 each per month. There are 5000 schools used thoughout the country for training ex-service men and 7000 institutions for placement training."

Ship Board Policy Outlined.

He said the shipping board problem was "to get the government out of the shipping business with as little loss as possible and to provide an American merchant marine that American goods might not have to be carried to market in the ships of competitors, and that there might be sufficient ships to provide an adequate national defense." There is now a fair prospect, he asserted, that the country will have a merchant marine, "supported from a small proportion of the revenue derived from shipping and holding a place on the seas worthy of the American people."

Constructive economy, Mr. Coolidge said, has been the first thought and the chief effort of the present administration. To secure that, he declared, is to accomplish reconstruction.

"There has been a steady determination not to interfere in those European affairs with which we had no direct concern," he said. "When there was an attempt to place responsibilities on our government for the fixing of the reparations, it was firmly declined, but with the assertion that reparations must be met to the limit of ability.

"There has likewise been a refusal

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MARY GARDEN BIDS PORTLAND FAREWELL

LAST ACT IS TO ENJOY ICE CREAM SODA.

Other Members of Grand Opera Company Also Leave After Praising Hospitality.

Mary Garden's last act in Portland was to enjoy an ice cream soda in the Multnomah hotel drug store just before leaving for the Union station.

With many expressions of praise for Portland's reception and hospitality, the personnel of the Chicago Grand Opera company left the city in special trains at 2 A. M. yesterday for San Francisco, where the company will play a two weeks' engagement.

After the performance Saturday night the lobby of the Multnomah hotel was crowded with friends, admirers and music lovers bidding farewell to members of the opera company.

Lucian Muratore, famous tenor, and his wife, Lina Cavalieri, who have followed the practice of traveling ahead of the company during the present tour, changed their policy and left on the same train with their fellow artists.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 26.—To the growing list of radio fans, add Mary Garden.

The grand opera manager and singer, who brings the Chicago Grand Opera company to San Francisco tomorrow for its annual engagement, has telegraphed ahead to the hotel where she will stay and requested—nay demanded—that her suite be not equipped only with a radio receiving set, but with a high-power broadcasting set as well.

The demand has been answered. So it is more than possible that other radio enthusiasts of the Pacific coast, in their daily concerts via the ether will have, in addition to the regular programmes of phonograph selections, solos by Mary Garden in person, sent broadcast by her own radio outfit, straight from her own room.

REALTY OFFICE BLOWN UP

Two Suspects Held at Seattle for Suburb Explosion.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 26.—Police investigating an explosion which early this morning wrecked the real estate office of Frank Atwood in Carleton Park, a Seattle suburb, and did considerable damage to neighboring buildings, declared tonight a deliberate attempt had been made to destroy the property.

They are holding on an open charge Van Bayliss and P. C. Garrett, who are said to have been near the building at the time of the explosion and were badly injured. The explosion shook the entire northwest part of the city.

CITY BASKS IN SUNSHINE

Thermometer in Portland Goes Up to 55 Degrees.

Portland basked in the sunshine of the second warmest day of the year yesterday. The thermometer reached 55 degrees yesterday afternoon, which was only two degrees lower than the highest temperature registered so far this year, which was last Monday.

The weather bureau predicted that the city would enjoy another fair day today.

Practically every owner of an automobile in the city was lured to the country districts and the highways leading out of the city were thronged with machines. Boating enthusiasts also were out on the river.

CHILD CRUSHED TO DEATH

Hazel Penny, Aged 6, Is Run Over by Street Car.

CENTRALIA, Wash., March 26.—(Special.)—Hazel Penny, aged 6, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin R. Penny, was killed shortly after 7 o'clock this evening when she was run over by a street car on West Third street, near her home.

The child was playing in the street with other children and is said to have run directly in front of the car. The girl was under the rear wheels when the car stopped. Her head was crushed and her right leg was severed above the ankle.

'SAFETY' DEATHS HIGHEST

Accidents and Fatalities Week of Drive Are Most in Year.

DES MOINES, Ia., March 26.—Cecil W. Alexander, 15, died here today following injuries sustained when run over by an automobile. Alexander is the fourth person to die as the result of accident during a "safety first" campaign conducted here the last week.

The number of accidents and fatalities during the "safety first" week exceeded that of any other week in the year.

SOVIET CHIEFS TO CONFER

Course in Case Lenine Dies Is Said to Be Under Discussion.

LONDON, March 26.—Reports from Berlin, received in Copenhagen, said a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from the Danish capital, are to the effect that the leaders of the Russian soviet government have been summoned to Moscow.

They will consider the situation which may arise in the event of the death of Nikolai Lenine, the premier, which is said to be regarded as a possibility in the near future.

5-DAY WORK WEEK DEEMED UNSOUND

Economic Danger Is Seen in Ford's Plan.

MORE LABOR NATION'S NEED

Working Period of Year Is Shrinking Gradually.

BIBLICAL RULE VIOLATED

Two Great Industries, Both Mechanical, Attempt to Inaugurate Policies Directly Opposite.

BY RICHARD SPILLANE.
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PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 26.—(Special.)—Henry Ford has a rare faculty for making trouble for other employers. Some years ago he established a minimum wage of $5 a day. Now his son introduces the five days a week and eight hours a day policy with a minimum wage of $6 a day for old employes and $5 a day for new employes of the Ford company.

The last move is not so radical as was the $5 a day minimum rate when it was announced. In fact, it may not be considered favorably by those most concerned. Its immediate effect upon many of the Ford workers would appear to be to reduce their pay. The man who has been getting $36 a week will receive $30 and the one who got $30 will receive $25. The worker is very sensitive about the pay envelope.

Biblical Rule Violated.

Edsel Ford declares every worker needs more than one day a week for rest and recreation. Likewise, in order to live properly every man should have more time to spend with his family, more time for self-improvement, more time for building up the place called home. Edsel Ford and his father are religious men, yet they evidently are not in full accord with the Biblical injunction, "Six days shalt thou labor." (Exodus xx:9.)

What will impress the country most in the Ford action is that the automobile people come out for the eight-hour day and five days a week policy at a time when the New England spinners are demanding nine hours a day and six days a week schedule for their hundreds of thousands of workers, together with a reduction of 20 per cent in wages. Essentially there is little difference in the task of the Ford employes and the mill workers. In each instance the work is largely mechanical. How can Ford profit in a five-day week with short hours and

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IMPROMPTU CONCERT IS GIVEN BY RADIO

THE OREGONIAN IS FLOODED WITH MUSIC PLEAS.

Phonograph Records Are Used to Provide Entertainment for Evening.

"Hello, Oregonian radio station, can't you give us some music tonight?"

"Sure," was the reply, and an impromptu concert followed.

Telephone calls coming in all afternoon to The Oregonian from radio fans living in Portland and vicinity brought out the fact that, above everything else, to complete the end of a perfect spring Sunday, hundreds of people desired a musical concert by radio from the newly installed station.

As J. B. Weed, who installed the set, was "listening in" several miles away at the set owned by Joe H. Lensch at 872 Alameda street, Portland, it was decided to send out several phonographic selections so that Mr. Weed could test the modulation qualities of the transmitter. Saul Emanuel, holding a commercial operator's license, operated the station during the impromptu concert.

The concert was received with great delight, as was evidenced by the large number of telephone calls later in the evening. Several came by long distance. Last night's concert should have been heard within at least a 500-mile radius.

"This is the finest thing that has ever come into the life of farmers," said Mrs. R. A. Webster of Mill Plains, Wash., when she called The Oregonian office by long-distance telephone last night after hearing the brief concert. I cannot begin to tell you how happy we are at being able to hear such music as the songs by Edith Mason and the little concert you are giving tonight. We can hear very well. Keep giving us this service and you will do us a great favor."

Mrs. Webster's son fixed up a set and they heard grand opera from The Oregonian's tower Saturday.

A few minutes after the concert was over John Wiesner of McMinnville telephoned that he and a friend had heard every word and note by the simple means of a detector. He said that six persons had listened to Edith Mason Saturday and that The Oregonian station came in so clearly that the music could be heard plainly when the head set or ear pieces were laid on the table instead of being adjusted to the head. He thanked The Oregonian and said that he intended listening every evening to its concerts.

Jack Clancy Jr. and Francis Taylor, both Portland boys living about two miles from The Oregonian building, telephoned at the termination of the music and said they had entertained several friends by means of extra ear pieces.

The Oregonian correspondent at McMinnville also reported that many people there were having a most enjoyable Sunday evening's entertainment by "listening in" on the concert. He said a good many were able to take advantage of the service and were highly appreciative of it, not only from the standpoint of hearing

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AIDING JAIL BREAKS BECOMES PASTIME

TWO MORE PRISONERS FREED AT GRANTS PASS.

Latest Method Used Is to Unlock Cell Doors and Then Carefully Lock Them.

GRANTS PASS, Or., March 26.—(Special.)—Liberating prisoners from the county jail is fast becoming the greatest outdoor sport in this vicinity. For the third time in nearly as many months outsiders were successful in jail delivery.

William Deforrest, being held for the April term of court on a charge of subornation of perjury in connection with recent moonshine trials, and Lynn Patterson, sentenced Friday to serve 60 days for having liquor in his possession, were those released from custody.

The method employed last night differed from those previously used. The padlocks were opened with a key and carefully relocked after the men were liberated.

In the first jail delivery a man hid in the jail when the prisoners were locked in for the night and filed the locks on the cells. The second break was effected by smashing the locks from the outside, the work being done in a glare of light.

AIR PASSENGER LINE OPEN

Eight Planes Leave San Francisco for Los Angeles.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 26.—Eight airplanes carrying 18 passengers left here this morning for Los Angeles as a prelude to regular airplane passenger travel between San Francisco and Los Angeles, which will be begun tomorrow.

The Western Airway company announced that beginning tomorrow two airplanes carrying passengers would be flown each way between Los Angeles and San Francisco. One machine will carry two passengers and is expected to maintain a schedule of four hours and 40 minutes, alighting at Salinas. The other airplane's passenger capacity is four and it will descend at Salinas and Santa Maria, on a schedule calling for six hours and 30 minutes between terminals.

Telephone messages received here tonight carried the information that three of the planes reached Los Angeles in approximately five hours' flying time. One ship was forced down by engine trouble at Madrone. Two others descended at Santa Maria, one making a landing in a plowed field to avoid striking a small boy. A broken propeller was the only damage.

DIVORCED WOMEN LEAD

Fewer Men in Missouri Legally Separated From Mates.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 26.—Divorced women in Missouri far outnumber the men who have been legally separated from their wives, according to statistics made public by the state labor bureau here.

The "grass widows," according to this report, number 11,639 as against 9825 divorced men.

WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A GARDEN IN SPITE OF THEM!

LOGGER IS KILLED; 30 MEN HELD UP

Armed Woodsmen Pursue Two Masked Robbers.

VICTIMS LINED ALONG WALL

Yegg Fires When Gun Poked in Wall Is Discharged.

LIGHTS ARE EXTINGUISHED

Companions Rushing to Aid War Veteran, Felled by Bullet, Are Ordered Back.

PORT ANGELES, Wash., March 26.—Ray Light, 33, a logger, died early this morning of wounds received last night when two masked robbers held up 30 men playing cards in the recreation hall of the Port Discovery Logging company's camp, four miles from Maynard. Light was shot in the back by one of the robbers.

The robbers are believed by Sheriff William Nelson to be members of the gang which robbed the State bank of Sequim of $22,000 in cash and negotiable securities early Friday morning and afterward wounded Deputy Sheriff McIness in a pistol battle.

The two robbers, each with his face covered by a blue bandanna, and wearing a long black ulster, entered recreation hall at the logging camp about 9 o'clock. Flourishing pistols they ordered the loggers to arrange themselves around the sides of the hall, facing the walls and with their hands in the air. One of the robbers then sat on an upturned box and with a pistol in each hand directed a systematic search of the loggers by his companion.

Loggers Pursue Robbers.

The search had continued about ten minutes when Charles Carlson, a logger, who was outside the building, saw the situation and poked a shotgun through the window, the weapon being accidentally discharged as the muzzle broke through the glass. The robber leader immediately opened fire, one of the bullets striking Light in the back as he stood with face toward the wall and his hands in the air between two of the windows. As he fell groaning to the floor, several of his companions rushed to his assistance. They were ordered back to the wall by the robbers, despite pleas by Light that they be permitted to help him.

The robbers then completed the search of their victims, after which they extinguished the lights and, taking two of the loggers as an advance guard and an old man as a rear guard, headed toward Maynard, pursued by armed loggers. Releasing their guides about a mile from the camp, the robbers disappeared in the woods.

Victim Is War Veteran.

Light was hurried to Maynard on logging truck drawn by a locomotive, but died shortly after medical assistance reached him.

Posses tonight searched the woods, guarding the roads and patroling the beach in the vicinity of Maynard. The coast guard cutters Arcata and Snohomish guarded the entrance to Sequim bay and the shores of Discovery bay to prevent escape by the robbers in boats.

Light was an ex-service man, having served 23 months overseas with the American Expeditionary forces.

DIKES BEAVER PARADISE

Fur-Bearing Rodent Far From Being Extinct at Clatskanie.

CLATSKANIE, Or., March 26.—(Special.)—The beaver is far from being extinct in the vicinity of Clatskanie. To be sure his mud huts and dams of olden days no longer show, but he makes his presence known just the same.

The man-made canals and dikes that thread the thousands of acres of diked land of the Columbia marshes north of Clatskanie have become a beaver paradise.

Between 300 and 400 beaver pelts, a catch that would have warmed the heart of many an old-time trapper in the days when beaver passed as legal tender, have been taken from the delta gardens canals and sloughs this winter by a state trapper.

BOILER EXPLODES; 4 DIE

Radiator, Hurled Into Funeral Chapel, Injures Mourners.

PORT HURON, Mich., March 26.—Four men were killed and property damage estimated at $100,000 was caused by a boiler explosion on board the ferryboat Omar D. Conger this afternoon.

The explosion shook the entire downtown district. The boiler was thrown 250 feet into a dwelling.

Six persons were injured, none seriously.

A steam radiator was thrown 1000 feet into the chapel of Albert A. Falk, where a funeral was in progress. Mourners were injured by splinters.

JOHN KLOSTERMAN, 17, KILLED BY REVOLVER

DISCHARGE OCCURS WHILE YOUTH IS CLEANING ARMS.

Son of Portland Grain Dealer Is Found in Home Dying; Shot Is Heard by Maid.

John H. (Jack) Klosterman, 17, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Klosterman, 489 East Seventeenth street North, was killed yesterday afternoon through the discharge of a revolver which he was cleaning. The bullet entered the right temple and lodged beneath the skin near the left ear. The father is engaged in the grain business in the Board of Trade building.

About ten days ago the family returned from a hunting and fishing trip to the coast. Tackle and arms were stored in the attic on the third floor, with only a cursory cleaning, and yesterday afternoon young Klosterman went upstairs to finish the job. He was found about 4 o'clock by Harry, 11, who intended to burnish a trout spoon that had become tarnished. The lad noticed blood on his brother's face and rushed downstairs to tell his father, who dispatched him for a priest and went himself to bring a physician. Jack was found kneeling against a trunk, into which the revolver had fallen after its discharge. He died about 5 o'clock.

Cecelia Lawler, a maid, whose room was a few feet from where the shooting occurred, told Inspectors Schuns and Thomas that she was asleep in her room and the shot awakened her. She went to the door, saw Jack kneeling by the trunk and went back to lie down, not knowing that he was hurt.

The revolver was the personal property of the dead boy, one that he carried when fishing. The cartridge that was discharged was covered with verdigris and stuck to the chamber, leading the inspectors to believe that he broke open the revolver, shook out the shells and thought it empty. The ejector failed to remove the empty cartridge when inspectors broke the revolver.

In the excitement following the discovery neither police nor coroner were notified, but an investigation to determine facts was begun at 8 o'clock last night, after the body had been removed to the Finley chapel. An inquest probably will be held today by the coroner.

Announcement was made last night that the funeral would be held at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning from the Church of the Madeleine, East Twenty-fourth North and Siskiyou streets, Father Thompson officiating.

Jack was a student in Mrs. Allen's preparatory school and was an athletic leader. He was 6 feet 1 inch tall in his stocking feet. He was born in Portland.

Mr. Klosterman was dazed that such an accident should have happened, as he said he had schooled all of his five boys in the proper handling of guns and revolvers, both while hunting and about the house.

MAYOR RIVALS SOLOMON

Dispute Over Ownership of Rooster Settled by Bird Himself.

WILSON, N. C., March 26.—Mayor Killette, called upon in city court here to enact the role of Solomon in a case involving ownership of a large Dominicker rooster, settled the question and at the same time proved the adage that "chickens come home to roost."

Liler Thomas, negro, swore out a warrant charging Annie Graham, also a negro, with stealing the rooster.

The mayor, recalling that chickens were reputed to "come home to roost," decreed that at sundown the Dominicker be placed midway between the two homes. The rooster, thus given his choice, ended the dispute by selecting Liler's chicken house in which to roost.

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Runaway Lad's Escapade Is Seventh One.

ADVENTURE LACKS THRILLS

Youth Says He Was Busy Evading Police.

PARENT SHOWS PRIDE

"He Hated to Give Up," Declares Mrs. Graham Duffield; Son Returns to School.

NEW YORK, March 26.—The seventh study of the "down and out" which Gordon Duffield, 19-year-old heir to $1,000,000, has been making in bowery lodging houses and east side crannies for the last five months, while the heart of his mother, Mrs. Graham Duffield, ached with anxiety as she hunted everywhere for him, was completed today when mother and son were happily reunited.

Mrs. Duffield said she was so convinced that this would be her boy's last adventure of that character that she would leave for Chicago tomorrow afternoon and that Gordon, either Monday or Tuesday, would go back to the school at Plainfield, N. J., from which he disappeared.

At present, she said, he was in care of friends and that Dr. William Burke, principal of the school, would look after him.

Mother Proud of Escapade.

"He hated to give up," the mother said tonight in tones betraying her evident pride in the youth's escapade. "He looked unusually well and much better than I thought he would. He has been in New York all the time but had no thrilling experiences. He worked at odd jobs along the east side from Brooklyn bridge to the Bronx.

"It's over," she said with great relief.

The hunt for the youth in Bowery haunts became so vigorous after his mother's arrival in New York last week that the young man was compelled to take extraordinary precautions against discovery, he said. Police detectives got so close on his trail that he was forced to pass the last three nights in elevated railroad trains to escape capture, he told his mother.

Appearance Declared Good.

The search quickened Wednesday night after Gordon telephoned his mother at her hotel that he was well, but not presentable. He promised to come to her when she had arranged to obivate this embarrassment, but in vain she waited. He did not call. He telephoned again last night saying he would appear. Early today he greeted Mrs. Duffield in the hotel lobby.

"I was surprised at his good appearance," Mrs. Duffield said. "His clothes were shabby, of course, but his hair was neatly trimmed and he was clean.

"This is Gordon's seventh escapade of this kind," she continued. "Six times before this he has run away from home to 'see the world.' This was his most successful truancy of the lot, however."

Until he showed signs of responsibility, the mother said, the boy would not receive the estate willed to him by his grandfather, but only the income from it. If turned over to him before he reached his majority she feared he might become a prey of swindlers.

TWO 'BIRDIES' ON 1 HOLE

Beheaded Sparrow Helps Make Phenomenal Golf Record.

FRESNO, Cal., March 26.—Two "birdies" on one hole was the phenomenal record made on the Sunnyside County Golf links here today by Gerald Thomas.

Teeing off from No. 5, Thomas made a beautiful drive, which sailed straight for the pin. One hundred and fifty yards down the fairway a flock of sparrows suddenly swooped into the course of the ball's flight. Thomas' first "birdie" was registered when his ball decapitated one of the sparrows.

After pausing to mourn over the death of the sparrow, Thomas played a full mashie up to the green, his ball rolling into the cup, giving him birdie No. 2 on the hole, which is a par three.

Although many other golfers have killed sparrows, the freak combination is probably unequaled in golfing

125,000 AT CONEY ISLAND

New York Has Super-Spring Touch With Mercury at 72.

NEW YORK, March 26.—With the temperature giving New York a super-spring touch of 72 degrees, Coney Island enjoyed another preseason vogue today and tonight, with more than 125,000 people invading the famous summer park.

Fully 2000 men, women and children donned bathing suits and sported in the surf in true midsummer manner.