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Weather forecast: Cloudy, probably rain north and extreme west portions; moderate temperature; moderate west wind. Maximum temperature yesterday 57, minimum 39, river 3.9, rainfall none, atmosphere clear, wind southwest.

"California hit by strong gale" says headline in the Statesman yesterday morning. Busy reporter has no time to read the news but says he presumes the wind came from Los Angeles.

TRIBUTES PAID TO LINDBERGH AT HUGE FETE

Largest Crowds in History of Havana Turn Out To Honor Aviator

MANY YANKEES PRESENT

Cheers Fill Air as Good Will Speech is Translated into Spanish for Benefit of Tremendous Audience

HAVANA, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Crowds such as within the memory of Havana police officials Cuba has never seen before paid a noisy tribute to Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh this afternoon.

Cubans most of them were, but there were Americans too enough of them so that when island military bands played the Star Spangled Banner, an audible chorus could be heard singing the refrain.

Cuban youths climbed about the dais of the statue of Joe Marti to put themselves head and shoulders above the masses that thronged the Prado while the city's firemen, armed with long spiked poles, maintained lines in a semblance of order so that Lindbergh, President Machado, Ambassador Judah and others of the official party might pass through to the pavilion in the center of the famous parkway.

City's Keys Presented

On that pavilion exactly at noon Mayor Gomez presented the American flag to the guest of honor to the city and expressed the wish he would avail himself of its every offer. The Cuban ambassador to the United States, Orestes Ferrera, translated Lindbergh's little speech of thanks into Spanish for the benefit of the assembled multitude.

Its gist—that relations between the countries of the Americas might be improved immeasurably as a result of progress in aviation—was borne to them by the breaking into renewed cheering, of which perhaps "Viva Lindy, Viva Lindy" was the only cry that could be distinguished.

Cheers Drown Greetings

When the flier had finished his brief say-so, President Machado grasped his hand and approached on the verge of giving him a "thumbs up" but smiled and spoke with him for a moment instead. Cheering drowned out what they said and none save perhaps themselves know just what passed between them.

An hour before the ceremony of the keys this morning, Lindbergh had received the glad message of the Havana province, presented him by Governor Yncian, who told him that all Havana thanked him for the honor of his visit and hoped that he might find his stay pleasant, to which Lindbergh replied that it had been one of the most pleasant experiences of his life and one he would always remember.

U. S. SENATE ACTS TO BAR COOLIDGE

REJECT ATTEMPT TO INSERT WORD "ELECTIVE"

Resolution Brought Up by La Follette of Wisconsin Carries by Vote of 56 to 26

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—(AP)—The senate went on record today, 56 to 26, in favor of the retirement of presidents "after their second term."

By this vote the resolution of Senator La Follette, republican, Wisconsin, declaring this precedent established by Washington and other presidents had become "a part of our republican system of government," was approved after four days of debating revolving about its application to President Coolidge. The second paragraph of the resolution commending "the observance of this precedent" established by Washington and other presidents had become "a part of our republican system of government," was approved after four days of debating revolving about its application to President Coolidge. The second paragraph of the resolution commending "the observance of this precedent" established by Washington and other presidents had become "a part of our republican system of government," was approved after four days of debating revolving about its application to President Coolidge.

NAME MILLER PRESIDENT

County Jersey Club Plans Spring Show, Along With Rest

The annual meetings of the Marion County Jersey Cattle club was held Friday at the Salem chamber of commerce rooms. The following officers were elected: President, Sidney Miller, Woodburn; vice president, Frank Clark, Salem; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Frank Kuensting, Woodburn; directors, M. G. Gunderson, Silverton; C. J. Parker, Turner, and Frank Kuensting, Woodburn.

The county club plans to cooperate with the state club this year in holding a spring Jersey show. Representatives from the various county clubs throughout the state will meet in Salem March 2 to discuss the plans. M. G. Gunderson will represent Marion county at this meeting.

EXPLOSION JARS IMMENSE AREAS

TEN HUGE OIL REFINING STILL BLOW UP AT ONCE

Large Section Rocked in Vicinity of Everett, Mass.; Many Believed Dead

EVERETT, Mass., Feb. 10.—(AP)—With a concussion that rocked this city and was felt for many miles beyond, a unit of ten large stills in the refining plant of the Beacon Oil company here exploded late today, causing heavy loss of life. Early tonight the known dead numbered ten, but it was believed that other bodies lay covered in the red-hot ruins of the still section. At least fifty were injured, many seriously.

Eight charred bodies had been taken to an undertaking establishment and another was taken from the ruins of the walls of one of the stills. Vito Raneseo of Everett, one of 30 injured taken to the Massachusetts general hospital, died there of burns.

The oil company's plant occupies a tract of about fifty acres on the banks of the Mystic river in east Everett. The stills affected form one unit in a total of 25 in the plant. R. B. Kahle, president of the company, said that the explosion probably was caused by the failure of a low pressure still.

The explosion shattered windows for a wide area about the plant. The stills blew up singly or in pairs. Flames shot up to a height of eighty feet above the 100 foot structures and a pall of dense smoke hung over the plant, hampering the work of rescue.

About 300 persons were employed in the entire plant, of whom 150 were in the section chiefly affected by the explosion. Most of those killed were at work about the stills, but in the machine shop nearby four men lost their lives. When the fire was brought under control about two hours after the first shock six of the stills had fallen and the other in the vicinity severely damaged. Kahle set the property loss at \$75,000.

ANDERSON TRIAL FIRST

Receiving Stolen Radios Charge Faced by Stayton Man

The trial of Walford T. Anderson, charged with receiving a stolen radio set at his garage in Stayton, will begin in circuit court here Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. The trial will mark the opening of the February term of court.

The crime which authorities are attempting to fix upon Anderson involves a number of sets which were being kept at a garage in Stayton. Several sets were stolen and officers declare that Anderson received the majority of them, but the indictment lists only one, the idea being that proof of this will be sufficient to convict him of the crime of grand larceny.

Other cases listed on the court calendar are:

Wednesday, February 15, 9 a. m., Heinzelmann vs. Elser.

Friday, February 17, 9 a. m., Lawrence vs. Anderson.

Saturday, February 18, 9 a. m., Anderson vs. Bello.

Monday, February 20, 10 a. m., Hendrickson et al vs. Bearson.

Tuesday, February 21, 9 a. m., B. E. Gaudrich Rubber company vs. Gibbons.

RULES CHANGE PLANNED

Judges Coshow and Belt Have Suggestions to Report

Members of the state supreme court, at a conference next Tuesday, will consider a report to be presented by Justices O. P. Coshow and Harry Belt, who returned here recently from Olympia, Wash., where they investigated the system of conducting the supreme court of that state.

One of the outstanding recommendations would tend to eliminate the practice of making the supreme court of Oregon a trial court, and confine its duties strictly to that of an appellate court.

Other proposed changes in supreme court procedure in Oregon would necessitate legislation which probably will be requested at the next legislative session.

Under a change of rules adopted by the Oregon supreme court two weeks ago virtually all of the cases now on the docket will have been disposed of within the next eight months. Beginning March 1 the court will hear five cases a day.

ARGENTINA TO BACK UP

Insistence Not to be Made on Clause in Preamble

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 10.—(AP)—It was learned tonight on what it was considered the most reliable authority that Argentina will not insist on the demand of her delegation at the Pan-American congress at Havana that the question of economic factors be included in the preamble of the projected Pan-American Union convention.

BASEBALL MEN ORGANIZE NEW VALLEY LEAGUE

Many Clubs Seek Admission, Strong Circuit Certain To Be Formed

The Willamette Valley baseball league was tentatively organized at a meeting in Salem Friday evening, by action of representatives of a number of cities which may be members.

Aside from Salem, Eugene and Albany, the membership in the league is still an unsettled question. It was voted by the representatives present that a committee representing these three cities be appointed by the temporary chairman, and that they determine what other cities will be invited to membership.

Committee Named

The committee appointed included Leo Edwards of Salem, Donald Husband of Eugene and Clyde Rupert of Albany. Only one league officer was elected, Ralph Curtis of Salem being chosen as secretary-treasurer.

At the meeting were representatives of two applicants for places in the league: A. E. Case of Toledo and E. Amburg of Wendling. These are smaller cities but they have turned out ball teams in the past few seasons that made the bigger towns stop lively, and these teams are supported by large aggregations of baseball-mad fans.

Many Seek Entry

Written applications were on file from Bend, The Dalles and Harrisburg, and several other clubs are known to be desiring admittance. These include Cottage Grove and one or two Portland teams.

Another meeting of the organizing committee will be held at Albany on Monday, February 20. Meanwhile additional applications for membership will be considered. They should be addressed to Ralph Curtis, secretary of the league, at The Oregon Statesman, Salem.

FIVE SENTENCED BY JUDGE KELLY

LAUREN WALLACE GETS THREE YEARS IN PRISON

Frank Feilly Draws a Year, Clifford Fultz and Walter Pitts Paroled

Five jail and prison sentences were imposed by Judge Percy R. Kelly in circuit court here yesterday. All were cases where the defendants took advantage of the new Oregon law, waived grand jury indictment, and pleaded guilty. In three of the five cases paroles were granted. Sentences were as follows:

Lauren Wallace, charged with larceny in a dwelling, sentenced to three years in the state penitentiary.

Frank Feilly, charged with larceny of an automobile, sentenced to one year in the state penitentiary.

Clifford Fultz, charged with forgery of a check, sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Paroled to George Rhoten, local attorney.

Walter E. Pitts, charged with writing a check without having sufficient funds to cover it, sentenced to one year in county jail. Paroled to George Rhoten, local attorney.

Norman Christianson, charged with theft of two cows, sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Paroled to H. B. Evans, cashier of a bank at Canby.

RUM RUNNERS ARRESTED

Whole Crew of Freight Train Held in Jail at Bellingham

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Feb. 10.—(AP)—An entire train crew was in jail without bail here today, the train was under bond, and what is believed by authorities to be a unit of a huge liquor smuggling combine was smashed as result of the seizure of a cargo of liquor last night, which a few hours before had been smuggled across the Canadian border in a Great Northern freight train from Vancouver, B. C.

Coming as the result of the systematic work of officers under Sheriff T. C. Fraser, A. S. Atherton of the United States customs patrol and a special prohibition agent, 10 cases and 10 bottles of liquor were seized it is said, as men were unloading the contraband from the train.

APPLICATION FORM NEW

City Changes Method of Permitting Electrical Signs

The new application forms for electric street signs have been prepared and were delivered today to the city recorder's office.

The forms require a full description of the signs to be erected, method of illumination, and number of lamps.

They provide for an agreement that the signs will be anchored and attached firmly to the building, and that the city be held not actionable from any and all damage resulting from poor construction.

The city attorney is now revising the light ordinance to give the light committee more power in dealing with applicants.

FOR ONCE IT DIDN'T WORK

HEREDITARY INSANITY PLEA



HICKMAN ADMITS ONE MORE CRIME

TELLS SHOOTING AT WATCHMAN DURING HOLDUP

Incident Occurs At Kansas City Several Months Before Coming To Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 10.—(AP)—William Edward Hickman, now awaiting sentence for the kidnapping and slaying of Marian Parker, today gave a new confession to his attorneys in which he told of opening fire on a night watchman during an attempted store robbery in Kansas City.

The watchman threw himself on the floor to escape being shot and Hickman and Welby Hunt, named by him as his accomplice in the robbery attempt, fled, according to Hickman.

Hunt later corroborated Hickman's story to the extent of admitting to officials that he was in the store with Hickman on the night named by Hickman. He refused to comment on the shooting, refusing to say who fired the shots or whether the watchman was wounded.

The attempted robbery and shooting took place, according to Hickman, two months before he and Hunt came to California and engaged in the holdup attempt which resulted in the shooting and death of C. Ivy Thoms, Rosehill druggist. The two youths are scheduled to go on trial on the Thoms' murder Feb. 15.

Hickman said that at the time he was employed in Smeltzer's store, 1112 Grand avenue, Kansas City, Mo., and it was there that the robbery was to be staged.

"I hid on a high shelf and stayed there until after the store closed," he said. "Then I opened a window and let Hunt in. We were waiting for a chance to rob the store when someone working after hours came in. This person searched the shelves near us but did not see us. Then the watchman came along. He threw a light on us.

"I fired at him as he fired in our direction. He fell to the floor to escape being killed by me. We got out through the window and ran away."

Efforts to check Hickman's story in Kansas City were made (Continued on page 8)

GUARDIAN CASE HEARD

Building and Loan Association Seeking Injunction

Judge L. H. McMahan of the Marion county circuit court Friday heard testimony in injunction proceedings filed by the Guardian Building and Loan association of Portland against Mark McCallister state corporation commissioner.

The most important question argued was whether the building and loan association has authority to return memberships at the end of a year contrary to the building and loan act.

The court also was asked to rule on the question of whether the building and loan association has authority to use the phrase: "supervised and controlled by the state of Oregon," after the state corporation commissioner had objected to such procedure.

Judge McMahan has taken the case under advisement.

EXPECT DELAY IN SENTENCING FOX TO HANG

Motion For New Trial In Murder Case To Be Made This Morning

ARGUMENTS ON TUESDAY

Hickman Awaits Fate in Cell at Los Angeles County Jail, Alternately Laughing And Scowling

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 10.—(AP)—William Edward Hickman's motion for a new trial tomorrow morning probably will postpone his sentence for the killing of Marian Parker until Tuesday morning.

This possibility developed out of a fresh angle in the case which was a succession of such angles since it went to trial under the new California law governing insanity pleas.

Defense Counsel Jerome Walsh announced today that he would move for a new trial when Hickman is called before Judge J. J. Trabucco tomorrow morning. Yesterday, when the superior court jury held Hickman sane, it was stipulated that if a motion were made tomorrow all counsel concerned would agree to ignore the ruling requiring arguments on the motion to be made within 48 hours and instead make their arguments before the court next Tuesday.

Delay Foreseen

This agreement, said Walsh, would delay passing of sentence until Tuesday.

Late today Judge Trabucco could not be located to give his opinion on the newest phase of the case, but counsel pointed out that as the agreement was made with his approval he would in all probability delay sentence until Tuesday.

Archie Moore, clerk of the court in which Judge Trabucco is sitting, expressed the opinion that in view of Walsh's intention to argue his motion for a new trial, Hickman's sentence would be delayed until Tuesday.

Contentions Listed

Defense attorneys Walsh and Cantillon said that the motion for a new trial would charge among other things:

That the law under which Hickman was tried on his insanity plea is unconstitutional.

That the judge committed grave errors in allowing the state to change the order in which it used its peremptory challenges.

That he erred in allowing the state to open and close the arguments.

That he erred in his instructions to the jury.

That the jury's verdict was against the law and evidence of the case.

While Judge Trabucco would not make any comment on his probable decision in the questions involved, he said he had confidence in the right of the legislature to change the law preventing the defendant from making use of two defenses and expressed his faith in the soundness of the principle.

Judge May Act Today

Moore pointed out that if Walsh submitted his motion without argument the judge's decision would be announced immediately, and if the motion were denied Hickman's sentence would follow without delay. However, Moore said if Walsh wishes to present arguments he undoubtedly will require time to prepare them and the court (Continued on page 2)

WILLIS SAYS HE'S DRY

Presidential Candidate Answers Letter From Borah

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Pledging of the republican party and its presidential candidates "to a vigorous, faithful and effective enforcement" of the prohibition laws is favored by Senator Willis of Ohio, who recently tossed his big black hat into the presidential ring.

His views were outlined in a letter sent tonight to Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, in reply to a questionnaire which the latter addressed to him yesterday.

Besides declaring for a prohibition plank in the party's platform the Ohioan also declared that if nominated and elected he would "put forth every effort to see to it that the 18th amendment is observed, obeyed and respected and the laws enacted there under enforced."

BRIDGE BENTS IN PLACE

Last of Middle Ones Will Be Placed Today, Expected

The last footing on the three middle bents of the South Commercial street bridge will be placed today, if nothing hinders. R. A. Furrow, bridge engineer, said yesterday.

The east half of the bridge is being torn away. When this is completed, work will be commenced on placing footings on the end bents. Most of the columns are bent.

U. S. FORCE MUST GO SAYS SANDINO

REBEL LEADER INTERVIEWED BY AMERICAN WRITER

Fighting Will Continue as Long as American Marines Remain in Nicaragua

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Feb. 10.—(AP)—The possibility of armed developments within Managua itself within the next few weeks was intimated by Augusto Sandino, rebel leader, in a conversation with Carleton Beals, American magazine writer who arrived here yesterday with word that he had spent five hours with Sandino.

Mr. Beals said that Sandino had told him he could sustain himself indefinitely that he would continue fighting as long as American marines remained in Nicaragua. Mr. Beals also said that Sandino had told him of the terms he offers for the restoration of peace and that these terms had been relayed by him to the American legation.

Regarding his trip to the mountain headquarters of Sandino, then at San Rafael del Norte, Mr. Beals said:

"I was escorted from Tegucigalpa, the capital of Honduras, by a Sandino general and an Italian guide who avoided the Honduran troops in Nicaraguan frontier and landed me in the first Sandino outpost at Limon, Nueva Segovia. I went unarmed toward El Chipote where General Sandino provided me with an armed escort of 30 men who conducted me on a four-day trip to Sandino's headquarters at San Rafael del Norte."

"I was received with every courtesy and consideration and all my questions were answered freely and without hesitation. Sandino has a marvelous fluency of expression and we spoke in Spanish from four o'clock in the morning until five. In the afternoon of the same day Sandino provided me with an officer to conduct me to the automobile line in Sebaco so that I might reach Managua."

"Sandino declared he could sustain himself indefinitely and that he would continue fighting as long as American marines remained in Nicaragua. Unless the American marines were withdrawn, he said, he would no longer be responsible for the lives of American officials resident in Nicaragua. He also said that the American public may expect armed developments in Managua itself within a few weeks."

Probably Sandino was waiting to receive me because I did not make the mistake of approaching him from the side on which the American marines are operating."

HOOPER FITTED FOR EXECUTIVE DOESN'T WORRY

Routine That Kills Presidents Will Have No Terrors For Candidate

MADE FOR JOB, CLAIMED

Knows His Duty Is To Think of the Big Problems and Delegate Details To Others; Has Faced Gigantic Tasks

By CHARLES P. STEWART (Washington Correspondent for Central Press and The Oregon Statesman.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—In one respect Herbert Hoover was planned by nature, and improved by training and experience, up to the hilt power, for the presidency of the United States. The job's routine can't kill him. It's an important qualification.

The routine—the ocean of details—is what gets most presidents these times—for the more an infinity more of it, with the country's growth, than there used to be.

They struggle to keep on top of it, but its volume is too awful. It simply keeps pouring in until they faintly keep under it.

Too Much Load

As we know, occasionally one succumbs to the load—literally lies down and dies—right in office.

More have their lives shortened.

The wholebone-and-whiplash routine stands it better than most, but it's Washington gossip that the main reason he's dropping out is that he's about rached his limit.

Doesn't Phaze Him

Routine doesn't phaze H. C. Hoover ("C" for Clark, but he has dropped the middle name on his theory that two are as many as a great man needs—Glavin, Coolidge, Woodrow Wilson, George Washington, and others) one little bit.

It doesn't phaze him because he doesn't handle it.

Its quantity is wholly immaterial to him, since he more than makes up for it, the more he unloads upon other folks.

Isn't, of course, that Hoover's azy. That's the last adjective it would be fair, or appropriate, to apply to him.

It is that he's an executive—But a wonder, as one—

He has grasped the principle that his stunt is to work his think-tank and let underlings do everything—absolutely everything—also, and that he mustn't even bother to think, except about the most important matters.

If Secretary Hoover were susceptible to being overworked, when you stop to consider, he'd be overworked as head of the commerce department.

Quite a few members of the cabinet are overworked, and the commerce department involves twice the detail, and ten times as many of any of the others.

But Hoover isn't weighed down by his burden.

He isn't down so mighty early in the morning, he takes plenty of time for lunch, and he goes home (Continued on page 2)

MINE FIRE CUTS OFF FORTY MEN

RESCUERS UNABLE TO REACH UNDERGROUND WORKERS

Four Dead Bodies Brought to Surface Late Yesterday; Womans Weep at Tragedy

TORONTO, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Almost two score men were trapped by fire in the Hollings mine at Timmins today and as the rescue work went forward the wives and children waited at the shaft head, weeping and praying.

Four bodies were brought out but several hours after the fire broke out in excavations 550 feet underground, rescue crews had not yet been able to reach the place where 31 more miners were believed to be imprisoned, their escape, if they are still alive, cut off by fumes from the fire.

All work in Timmins was halted and the citizens turned out in force to offer assistance to the rescue work. C. G. Williams, general superintendent of the mine, took personal charge of the work, leading rescue parties on frequent descents into the shaft number 1 in hope eventually getting below the fourth, fifth and sixth levels where the men were trapped and finding some outlet for them.

These trips into the shaft were of necessity of short duration because the smoke and gas was dense. Rescue work was seriously hampered by lack of oxygen for the rescuers worn by the volunteer rescuers.

Although the fire was at the 550 foot level the fumes penetrated to the 1800 foot level, it was believed the fire might well burn for several days before it could be brought under control.

MANY NUMBERS CHANGED

Work One-fourth Done Five Weeks of New Addresses Filed

Five books of the changes in street numbers have been filed at the city recorder's office and the work of re-numbering is about one-fourth done, Robert Crawford, in charge of the work, said yesterday.

When the city has been entirely covered and all house owners informed of the changes of any, Crawford will make another trip around to see that the proper numbers are up. Those who have not complied will have their mail deliveries cut off.

BANKER'S SON STRICKEN

Marshfield Youth Dies as Result of Infantile Paralysis

MARSHFIELD, Feb. 10.—(AP)—James Montgomery, Jr., five-year-old son of J. E. Montgomery, president of the bank of southwestern Oregon died of infantile paralysis here late yesterday.

J. E. Montgomery, was president of the Oregon state bankers association last year.

ARROW DESTROYS SIGHT

Auburn School Pupil Loses Use of Eye Through Accident

Playing with a bow and arrow yesterday was costly to Herbert Henney, seventh grade pupil at Auburn school.

While aiming to shoot at a target, the arrow caught on the bow, was thrown backward, striking the lad in the eye and rendering it sightless.