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WEATHER  
Unsettled today, with probable rains. Max. temperature Tuesday 60; Min. 46; River -2; Rain 1.2; South winds; Part cloudy.

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## HUGE ZEPPELIN NEARS EUROPE; STORMS ABATE

### Big Dirigible Reported Sighted 700 Miles Southeast of Ireland

### Hearty Welcome Planned for Crew and Passengers Upon Arrival

LONDON, Oct. 30.—(AP)—A radio report to the Associated Press relayed by the British steamship Ansonia, from the Dutch steamer Westerdijk, said the Graf Zeppelin had passed over it at 2:15 a. m., G. M. T. (7:15 p. m., Eastern Standard time.)

### IMMENSE WELCOME PLANNED

### Germans Follow Closely Course of Airship They Built

FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, Germany, Oct. 30.—(AP)—With the welcome information this evening that the Graf Zeppelin was more than halfway across the Atlantic on her homing flight and had entered a zone of fine weather, the spirits of the German public rose perceptibly. The reports of the earlier part of the flight with tales of stormy weather had caused some misgivings.

It was estimated that the dirigible up to noon, Eastern Standard time had covered about 2800 miles in 34 flying hours. Not all of it was on a direct course, however, for Dr. Hugo Eckener, apparently had been forced to guide the great airship around a storm.

### Arrival Anticipated Late in Evening

It was calculated that if the weather continues fine the airship may be expected to complete its first round trip commercial crossing of the Atlantic by air tomorrow evening.

Once more great activity prevails at the Zeppelin works where preparations are being rushed for the arrival of its greatest product. Precautions are being taken for the safety of the passengers of the dirigible who might be overwhelmed by the impetuous enthusiasm of the crowds already assembling. It was thought that even more persons would be expected to welcome the airship than had assembled to see the takeoff. The hotels already are crowded. Reservations have been made for many government officials including the minister of transportation and the president of the state of Württemberg.

### Status of Stowaway Remains in Doubt

The police and German bureaucracy have been struggling to determine the status of Clarence Terhune, the youth who alighted aboard the dirigible at Lakehurst without permission or passport. Preliminary discussions have decided that he cannot be indicted for an attempt to defraud the Zeppelin company of fare since Dr. Eckener had announced before the takeoff that he could accept no more paying passengers.

He may now escape a fine of \$5 for entering the country without a passport, United States Consul John E. Kehl of Stuttgart is coming here tomorrow and if Dr. Eckener gives a favorable report of the youth the consul will furnish him with such papers as are necessary.

## NEW LIONS CLUB TO GET CHARTER

STATON, Ore., Oct. 30.—(Special)—Organization of a Staton Lions den was effected here tonight, with members of the Salem and Independence dens assisting. Dr. H. A. Beauchamp was elected president, W. A. Weddle vice president, Edward Bell secretary-treasurer, Edward Taylor tall twister, H. E. Tobie lion tamer, and J. W. Mayo, William Sluff, George Bell and Dr. G. F. Korinek directors.

The new club will hold its meetings on Wednesdays. Charter members in addition to the officers include J. H. Thomas, R. Harold, Dave Johns, Harry Rowe, C. E. Neitling, C. E. Jordan, F. A. Henderson, I. S. Jordan, R. H. Albus, Dr. C. H. Brower, R. P. Grady, M. S. Hunt, Dr. Plaster and L. C. Pooler.

Clarence Manning, national organizer, was present in addition to the Salem and Independence Lions.

Those from Salem included Harry W. Scott, chairman of the organization; C. F. Giese, tall twister; C. A. Woop, Charles Fudkins, Dr. Carl Emmons, Monte Check, A. C. Haag, Lyle Smith, Merrill D. Ohling, Henry Crawford, Ralph S. Dipple, George Reynolds, E. J. Coffee and Ralph Kleiting.

Independence Lions attending were Dole Fomero, president of the club there, and H. R. Steiner.

## Lansing Passes



Walter Lansing, shown here as he appeared during the most active years of his life, is the last to die of the trio who figured prominently in America's international politics prior to and during the World War. President Wilson and William Jennings Bryan, the predecessor of Mr. Lansing as head of the state department, have preceded him.

## WILSON'S CABINET MEMBER SUCCEUMBS

### Death Takes Robert Lansing, Secretary of State During World War

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—(AP)—Robert Lansing, secretary of state under Woodrow Wilson during the entire period of America's participation in the World War, died at his home here today, the victim of a heart attack.

The former secretary, who resigned from the cabinet after a rebuke from Mr. Wilson, had been ill for about four weeks. He died at 4:20 o'clock this afternoon at his home on 18th street. Mrs. Lansing and two sisters, Misses Kate and Emma, were at the bedside.

It was not generally known that Mr. Lansing, who had retired markedly from the public eye in recent months, was in a critical condition although he had been semi-conscious for three days. Dr. Sterling Ruffing, his physician, said that death was due to myocarditis and that Mr. Lansing had become acutely ill about four weeks ago after his return from his summer home at Henderson Harbor, New York. The physician indicated today when Constable A. B. Chambers stated he would submit the affair to the Los Angeles district attorney tomorrow.

Constable Chambers said he had determined the identity of the student driver of the automobile which caused the death of Gilbert Hill, 19 year old Pomona student.

Hill was an occupant of an automobile filled with Pomona students. Another car, loaded with students and other youths from Ontario, crowded the former to the curb while occupants of both exchanged volleys of tomatoes.

## GRAND JURY PROBE OF RIOTING LIKELY

POMONA, Calif., Oct. 30.—(AP)—The possibility of the Los Angeles county grand jury taking up the fatal "tomato riot," in which one student was killed in the overturning of an automobile during the street battle between students of Pomona and Ontario high schools last Friday night, was indicated today when Constable A. B. Chambers stated he would submit the affair to the Los Angeles district attorney tomorrow.

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## KYLER IS GIVEN LIBERTY AFTER LENGTHY TRIAL

### Former Salem Man Obtains Directed Verdict by Court in His Favor

### Prosecution Held to Have Failed to Prove Patient Was Murdered

MOUNT VERNON, Wash., Oct. 30.—(AP)—The trial of K. K. Kyler, former guard at the Northern State hospital for the insane at Sedro Woolley, ended here today when Judge George A. Jenner directed the jury to return a verdict of acquittal. The judge's instruction came after only a few hours of the presentation of defense testimony. Kyler was charged with the murder of John W. Hesford, Bellingham patient, on July 8.

Kyler was overjoyed at the action. "It has been a tremendous strain during the last three months," he commented.

"The verdict is a complete vindication of Dr. J. W. Doughty, superintendent of the hospital," declared C. J. Henderson, who represented Kyler. Prosecuting attorney Warren Gilbert and L. C. Donley, assistant attorney general of the state, made no statements. Attorney Presents Motion to Court

The motion that the court order the jury to return a verdict of "not guilty" was made by Attorney Henderson, who set forth that the state had entirely failed to prove that Kyler was responsible for Hesford's death and that they had failed to establish the exact cause of the man's death.

"I feel that not only have you failed to establish as the testimony now stands the guilt of the defendant beyond a reasonable doubt, but I think you have pretty nearly put him on the necessity in this trial of proving his innocence," declared Judge Jenner to the state's attorneys. "Whether there injuries resulted in death is a question. I feel however, that the jury would be justified under the testimony in finding that you had not established this feature beyond a reasonable doubt."

"No Need to Go On Judge Indicated

"Feeling that way I would have to set aside any verdict of guilty if one were rendered in this case. I think that I shall therefore, when the testimony is all taken, direct a verdict that should be entered. Mr. Clark, you will prepare a verdict of 'not guilty.'"

K. K. Kyler, whose murder trial in Washington in connection with the death of a state hospital patient has drawn considerable attention, was formerly a member of the state hospital staff at Salem. He left here in good standing and with a clear record, according to R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the hospital.

## 2 PARTY LEADERS FORECAST ELECTION

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 30.—(AP)—Election predictions began to move through the state committee clearing houses today with the result that both republicans and democrats have the result of next Tuesday's vote safely in their favor.

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## HUGHES AGAIN QUESTIONS ALL ON BIG ISSUES

### Many Words and Few Definite Statements Laid to Bourbon Nominee

### Speaker Wants to Know if Smith Favors Government in Business

WORCESTER, Mass., Oct. 30.—(AP)—Charles E. Hughes, bringing his campaign for Herbert Hoover into New England tonight, asserted in a broadcast address that a republican administration not only would assure maintenance of the protective tariff and an economical administration, but also would protect the country "against the invasion of disastrous policies."

"Governor Smith endorses policies," said Mr. Hughes. "If I understand him aright, which would introduce government into business on a large scale with a vast increase of bureaucrats."

The former secretary of state then declared that he had not heard any answer to "certain definite questions" which the speaker had recently put to Governor Smith on farm relief.

Question Is Repeated For Smith's Benefit

"I asked, with respect to the McNary-Haugen bill," he continued, "is Governor Smith for the imposition of the equalization fee by the government? Does he not know that it is a component and necessary part of that plan that the government must buy and sell farm products on behalf of the government so as to make the equalization fee effective? If he does not know that, will he explain how the scene would operate otherwise? If he does know that, is he for it?"

"Now that is a simple question which tests what he means when he says that he is for something 'in principle.' I have not heard any answer. If it is his plan to have the government introduced into this enterprise, is it not clear that this is the most gigantic program of government in the history of this country? And, as I have said, both the west and the east are entitled to know where the government stands on this question, if he does not know where he stands, then I suppose that would explain why he has said that he would appoint a commission."

## WHISKER QUESTION ENDS UP IN COURT

### McMinnville Barbers Resent Falling Off of Trade Due to Contest

McMINNVILLE, Ore., Oct. 30.—It's the Legionnaires' whiskers. Barbers of this city have filed a complaint in circuit court seeking a restraining order to prevent the fruition of a "long whiskers" contest sponsored by the American Legion here in connection with a coming exposition.

The only grounds for complaint listed in the petition is that such a contest would be detrimental to the barbering business in McMinnville.

Under the law the complaint must be answered within 10 days. The exposition is to be held November 3 to 10.

Two distinct contests have been arranged in connection with the affair. One is for the longest whiskers—open to all comers; the other for the longest growth since the competition was announced, Oct. 13.

"If they hold the contest it will be by a close shave," one of the barbers said today.

## Meteor Buried In Field Breaks Farmer's Plow

PIONEER, Ore., Oct. 30.—(Special)—When Sherman Ruggles smashed his plow on a boulder in the "Daugherty field" on the Paul Jones farm here, he brought to light what is believed to be the mineral part of a meteor which had fallen within the last year.

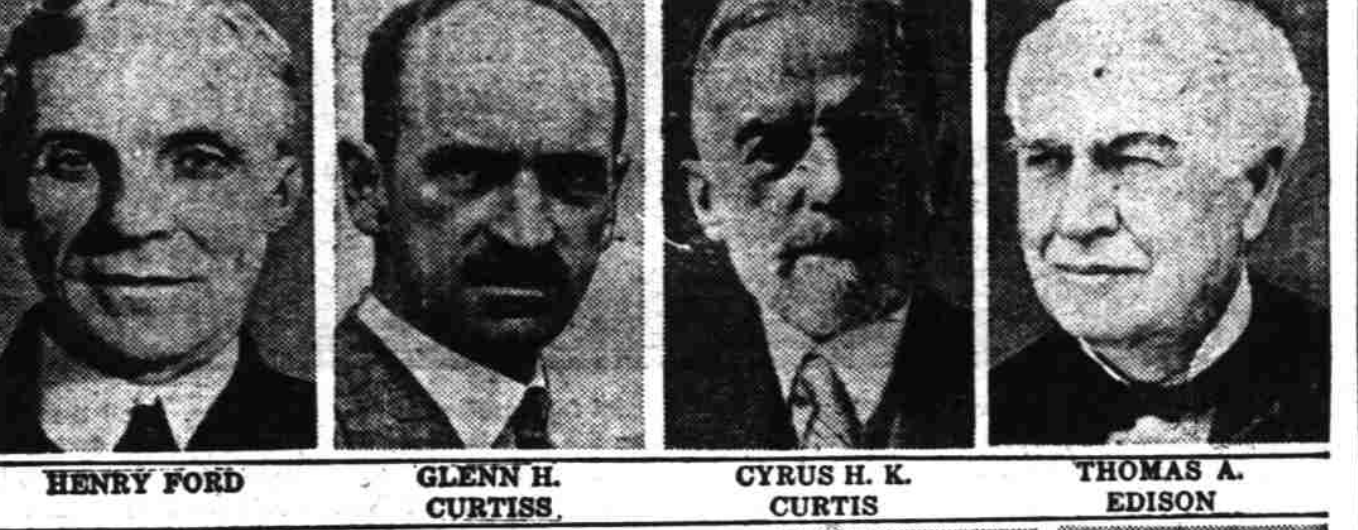
The big rock was about three inches beneath the surface, and when it came to the surface in the ground around it appeared to have been burned. Mr. Ruggles is convinced that the rock was a meteor, for there has never been any rock in this field, which he has cultivated for years. He is certain that it was not there a year ago when he plowed the field.

## Escaped Convict Captured Again

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 30.—(AP)—Raymond Shepard, who escaped from Folsom prison late Friday, was captured at the home of his mother in Minna street here today. He surrendered without resistance. Shepard was serving a term for forgery after conviction in San Benito county. He escaped while employed at the prison dairy farm.

## "Big Oaks From Little Acorns"

### Conference of Major Industries Honors Nine Aces of American Life Who Began Careers Practically Penniless



Selected as "pioneers of American industry," nine men, whose names are well known to the public, have been honored for their distinctive contributions to the world at the fifth annual conference of major industries, held in New York. The nine are: Thomas A. Edison, invention; Henry Ford, automobiles; Orville Wright and Glenn H. Curtiss, aviation; Charles M. Schwab, iron and steel; Julius Rosenwald, merchandising; Cyrus H. K. Curtis, publishing; George Eastman, photography, and Harvey S. Firestone, rubber.

## WOMAN IS FOUND SERIOUSLY BURNED

### Foul Play Hinted After Discovery of Elfreda Knaak by Janitor

LAKE BLUFF, Ill., Oct. 30.—(AP)—Miss Elfreda Knaak, 29, attractive saleswoman for a Chicago publishing company, was found today in the furnace room of the Lake Bluff police station, apparently either the victim of an assailant who tried to burn her alive in the boiler room of the city hall or the dupe of hallucinations which caused her to inflict the injuries on herself.

The girl was found by the janitor huddled beside the furnace, her body stripped of clothing, and her arms and legs burned to the bone.

Police formed a theory that she had been the victim of an assault and that her assailant had attempted to force her body into the furnace while she was unconscious.

Spiritualism May Be Cause of Tragedy

Dr. A. J. Rissinger, who treated her at a Lake Forest hospital, however, said that her half lucid mutterings indicated that she had been a student of spiritualism and advanced psychology and that she had tried to burn herself.

Dr. Rissinger added that he did not believe she could have inflicted such serious burns on her own will. He said she had not been criminally assaulted, but probably would die of her injuries.

Miss Knaak resided with her widowed mother, Mrs. T. L. Knaak a sister and three brothers at Deserford, Ill., about 25 miles northwest of Chicago. She was a student at the University of Chicago and after her graduation became a teacher in primary schools in Highwood and Waukegan, Ill., in the north shore district north of Chicago. Last March she resigned and was employed as a saleswoman by the F. E. Compton Publishing company of Chicago.

Sales Meeting Attended Monday Afternoon

Yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock she left her home to attend a Chicago sales meeting. Publishing company officials said she left for home at 6:15 last night. No one has been found who saw her after that hour and the police are working on a theory that she left a north shore train at Lake Bluff and was waylaid on her way home.

## AI Smith Home Again For Rest After Hard Trip

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—(AP)—Removed for a time from the shouts of the thousands upon thousands who welcomed him along a route which zig-zagged for 11,000 miles through the heart of the nation, Governor Alfred E. Smith spent today getting ready for the intensive speaking drive with which he will climax his campaign.

The democratic nominee also had an opportunity to take stock of the work up to date and to ascertain for himself something about conditions in his home state of New York and the neighboring state of New Jersey—the territory he has selected in which to close his drive for the presidency.

## What... They think of

### Motor Stages as Compared to the Railway Trains.

WITH constant improvement in highways and motor vehicles, and the attendant strides made by the builders of the motor stages, some persons venture the prediction that railroad passenger service, for the short rides at least, soon will be displaced in favor of the automobile. Recently there was in Salem a stage equipped as a "sleeper" and diner. It is argued by some that these will take the place of the familiar pull-mans. Desiring to find out what Salem thinkers about this the New Oregon Statesman sought interviews on the subject with several persons Tuesday. This is what they had to say:

FLORENCE ESTILL, waitress, recently came here from Los Angeles, said: "For short journeys I prefer the motor stages. The scenery is more impressive and the trips less monotonous. I do not think the stage ever will displace the train but it is bound to cut into railroad patronage on short hauls. I came here from California by stage and liked it. Maybe these sleeping-car stages will make it even more enjoyable."

MRS. J. H. HATHAWAY, 1240 Market street, said: "I like to travel by train best, but traveling out of Salem by train is an almost impossible feat. You either have to get up early in the morning, or else have to wait so late in the evening that you never get any place at the time you want to. I think more people would travel by train if they had as convenient schedules as the stages have. Of course, I suppose it takes more to operate a train, and that is why that our train service is so very poor. The stage comes somewhere in a hurry, but I do like the train best. I have a sense of safety and security that I never have on the motor stage."

MRS. T. C. GOSSER, 1598 Mission street, said: "I like the stage lots better than I do the train. The stage is quicker, cheaper, and more convenient in many ways. You can see the country better, for the highways are in more attractive localities than the train. A traveler can also stop at a different place."

Mrs. Ruth Lockwood, under two years' penitentiary sentence for involuntary manslaughter, was granted an additional 10 days time Tuesday in which to arrange her personal affairs before entering the prison. Mrs. Lockwood originally was convicted in the circuit court here and the decree later was affirmed by the state supreme court. An application for a parole for Mrs. Lockwood was denied by Judge Percy Kelly a week ago. An automobile driven by Mrs. Lockwood ran down and killed Maynard Sawyers, Salem druggist. Officers said she was intoxicated at the time of the accident.

## PAULUS AND BRIDE FROM EUROPE HERE

### Manager of Shoe Shining Parlor Weds Childhood Sweetheart at Pyrgos

George Paulus, manager of a local shoe shining parlor, has returned to Salem after a five months trip to Greece to find and marry his childhood sweetheart whom he left 16 years ago when he came to America to seek his fortune. His bride, who until May 20 of this year was Athanasia Matas of Pyrgos, Greece, is well placed in favor of the automobile. Recently there was in Salem a stage equipped as a "sleeper" and diner. It is argued by some that these will take the place of the familiar pull-mans. Desiring to find out what Salem thinkers about this the New Oregon Statesman sought interviews on the subject with several persons Tuesday. This is what they had to say:

"She can't speak English very well yet," says George, "but she's learning."

George was 15 years old when he left Pyrgos, his home town, and sailed for the United States. It was only a few years after he landed in New York that he made his way west and settled in Salem. "I've lived in Salem most of my life," he avers. "I knew this girl before I left Pyrgos, and my relatives, they knew her too. We wrote letters back and forth all the time."

Pyrgos is situated within a few miles of the spot where the ancient Greeks held their famed Olympic games.

The newlyweds had a wonderful honeymoon trip, they report. Immediately after their marriage they went to Athens. From there they journeyed to Italy, visiting many parts of that country, then north into France, on over into Portugal and north to England. The voyage across the Atlantic took about two weeks, and they landed at New York September 26. They arrived in Salem early on the 12th of the month. The bridegroom had left Salem March 20.

The occurrence of a large number of cases of diphtheria early in February, 1927, started a prompt measure of control which checked what would otherwise have been in all probability a serious subsequent epidemic of typhoid fever. The problem of typhoid is by no means under control and will not be until Salem has a modern water system and the sanitary toilet problem of the county is much further advanced, nevertheless, the health unit has been effective in preventing far more serious results. Babies and Mothers Greatly Benefited

The actual figures of maternal and infant deaths in 1927 show clearly that mothers and babies having the preventive health work taught them have a far better chance of life than those who have not had this service. There was a birth death rate of 45.7 per cent, none of 23 women were under nursing supervision. Death rate under one month reached 34.3 per cent without nursing supervision and 20 per cent under nursing service; there was no maternal deaths under nursing supervision and a rate of 7.6 per cent without it.

The symphonized protection of the city's milk supply has gotten under way during the year 1928. The only figures for previous years which can be compared with those for the current year are of the per centage of samples of milk which have been classed as dirty or as clean. These samples have varied from 70 per cent classed as the result of state (Turn to Page 2, Please.)

## Large Sums Of Money Missing Also Cashier

LEESBURG, Fla., Oct. 30.—(AP)—F. B. Ruggles, a director in the Groveland bank at Groveland, said here tonight that the bank had been robbed of "thousands of dollars," and that the cashier had been missing for 54 hours, after locking the bank's vault and setting the time lock for 5 hours later.

The cashier, J. H. Hightower, 27, had been missing since Saturday, Mr. Ruggles said. Warrants for his arrest have been issued, and authorities at Raleigh, N. C. His former home have been notified.

## Monoplane May Take Off Today Across Atlantic

ROOSEVELT FIELD, L. I., Oct. 30.—(AP)—Weather balked the trans-Atlantic monoplane today from taking the air in a stern chase of the dirigible Graf Zeppelin on a flight to Europe.

All was in readiness for a start, with tanks full and Roger Williams and Peter Bonelli, the crew, on hand when an adverse report from the weather bureau caused postponement.

Williams said he and Bonelli would be back on the field at 3 o'clock in the morning ready to take off if the ocean weather had improved.