

SEVENTY-EIGHTH YEAR

Salem, Oregon, Friday Morning, November 30, 1928

PRICE FIVE CENTS

THANKSGIVING brings mostly pleasant thoughts as a rule, some of them dealing with the results of football games, others with the observance of the holiday, and other timely topics. But even on Thanksgiving day, one Salem resident was so wrought up over something that he saw that he registered a "piper."

MARTHA PACKINAW, Chemawa student, said: "We had a real Thanksgiving dinner too. Grace Peterson and Freda Strom and I had a chicken piece. We would have had turkey but it isn't very good for the waist line. The regular meal at the school, though, was pork produced right here on the place."

A. W. LAWRENCE, a Thanksgiving visitor to Salem from Corvallis, said: "There is one thing about youngsters on Thanksgiving day; they are mighty quiet when gathered around a table loaded with such goodies as mother gets up."

DR. O. L. SCOTT, chiropractor, said: "Herbert Hoover's visit to South America is making a fine impression on our southern neighbors. I think his trip is a fine thing and should lead to some very constructive results in the long run."

R. V. (NIG) BORLESKE, coach of the Whitman football team, said: "That boy Harshbarger, who caught a pass that bounced out of De Poe's hands and ran 45 yards to a touchdown, is fast enough for anybody's football team. He scored on University of Washington and made a 75 yard run against Washington State that wasn't allowed. But he's too cocky, so I've kept him on the bench most of the time."

CYNTHIA MCINTOSH, 152 South 13th street, said: "I'm not a perpetual 'crab,' but the more I read the daily papers, the more wonder that the people of this country do not come to their senses and take some united action against the sluggishness of our legal procedure."

The pet peeve of H. R. is timely, because he called up and told The Oregon Statesman about it right after the Thanksgiving football game at Sweetland field and while he didn't say so, he probably was grieved into telling about it, by something he saw at the game.

"The thing that gets my risibilities smoking is the crowd of rail birds that watch football games from the opposite side of the fence to avoid paying admission, and not content with exhibiting their cheapness in that way, must insult the home team when it's doing its best."

I am mindful that there are a few knowing lawyers, and even a few newspapers that are paying the way for such action. But the people; they grumble and seem to think nothing can be done about it."

A. B. ESTEP, clerk of the Argo hotel, said: "That was a fine game. I was glad to see Oregon against New York university; and I was glad to see Oregon win in the south, too. But I was most interested in the high school game at which Medford played at Portland. That Medford high school certainly has developed a football reputation. I was glad to see the smaller school win."

VESSEL LIMPS INTO PORT AFTER STORM

SAN DIEGO, Nov. 29.—(AP)—With a twisted railing more than 30 feet above the water, and a gap where one of her vegetable bins had been, the freighter Willifaro today brought in mute evidence of the strength of the blow which caught her in the Chesapeake Bay last week.

The Willifaro, after emerging from the storm area, passed the Maryland, heading into it. Captain M. Johnson, master of the Willifaro, had plenty to do when mountainous seas swept the upper deck of his ship, tearing a lifeboat away from its fastenings and swinging it out over the side. With some difficulty the lifeboat was secured, but the railings forward and aft of it were gone, and the wreckage of the vegetable bin was picked up from the deck below.

Fierce Explosion Felt in Roseburg

ROSEBURG, Ore., Nov. 29.—(AP)—The business section of Roseburg was shaken early today by an explosion which wrecked the filling station of the Roseburg Super-Service station. Gas escaping from a pump filled a hollow concrete base with fumes, which were ignited when an electric spark from the switch caused the detonation. A fire which followed was quenched by chemicals.

THANKSGIVING DAY OBSERVED BY MR. HOOVER

Prayers Offered for King George and All Others Who Are Not Well

Stiff Initiation Looms for "Pollywogs" as Ship Approaches Equator

By JAMES L. WEST Associated Press Staff Writer U. S. S. MARYLAND, en route to Guayaquil, Ecuador, Nov. 29.—(AP)—This was a day of alternate Thanksgiving and trembling aboard the battleship Maryland as the mighty craft, carrying Herbert Hoover, president-elect, and his party nared the equator on its voyage to Guayaquil, its next port of call.

In consequence of the Thanksgiving holiday the ship observed Sunday routine. There was a divine service on the quarterdeck, which was attended by both Mr. and Mrs. Hoover. This was followed later with an elaborate dinner, not only for the president-elect and his party but for all the crew.

Summons Given To Every "Pollywog" Dinner concluded, the Maryland was brought to a dead halt momentarily while Davey Jones, personal agent of his majesty, King Neptune, came aboard to issue subpoenas to all those who have not until now crossed the equator. These were summonses to appear for initiations tomorrow on the forecastle deck where a ducking tank has been rigged up.

Jones was presented to Captain Kimberly and the president-elect formally as he came over the side of the vessel; then he repaired to the quarterdeck where the subpoena ceremony was enacted.

Even before his arrival, however, the "shellbacks"—as those who have crossed the equator before are known—were working on the "pollywogs"—as those who haven't are known. Some of these latter had been placed in the brig, others being chained up on the deck by their necks, wrists, and feet.

Prayers Offered For King of England In the course of the religious services which were conducted by the chaplain, Lieut. Commander Huske, in a drizzling rain which continued intermittently throughout the day, prayers were offered for the recovery of King George of England and others who are ill.

Lieut. Commander Huske spoke briefly in his sermon on Thanksgiving, mentioning a number of "wholesome things for the American people to remember. He said that Americans were only cooperating with the Heavenly Father in building the United States into a mighty land.

Dinner Sees Elaborate Dinner served crew. Just before the crew's dinner, Mr. Hoover, escorted by Captain (Turn to Page 2, Please.)

BRITISH ALSO WANT NAVY DISARMAMENT

LONDON, Nov. 29.—(AP)—Naval disarmament came back to open discussion in Great Britain today. Three factors contributed to this. They were: the proposal of Fred A. Britten, of the naval affairs committee of the United States house of representatives, that a committee and a delegation from the house of commons meet in Canada next March; the declaration of Viscount Cecil that Great Britain ought to meet the United States half way, and an attempt by Sir Frederick Hall to set an official statement on naval policies by means of an interpellation today in the house of commons.

A considerable section of the press and several publicists urged that Mr. Britten's proposal be accepted. They pointed out that in addressing Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin direct Britten had shattered diplomatic precedents and had gone into official quarters with an unofficial project, but they argued that the plan was too good to lose.

Rum Runner Is Killed In Fight With Guardsmen

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Nov. 29.—(AP)—One alleged rum runner was shot and killed and his companion wounded when their launch crashed today with a coast guard boat in the darkness of early morning off the south shore of Lake Ontario. The man killed was Carl Anderson, 34, of Lewiston. The wounded man is Edmund Sahr, of Niagara Falls.

According to federal authorities, papers were found in the dead man's pockets showing that the launch, known as the Bug, cleared from Niagara on the lake, Oct. 10, on November 28, for Wilson, N. Y., with 200 cases of ale. There was no name on the clearance papers to indicate who was in charge of the launch.

Vestris Inquiries To be Concluded Today is Reported

Decision to be Made Later Fixing Blame for Vessel's Going Down

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—(AP)—The end of two official inquiries into the loss of the liner Vestris is in prospect for tomorrow. Before taking a holiday recess, Charles Tuttle, federal attorney conducting the government's investigation, and a department of commerce board reviewing an examination of the Vestris by steamboat inspectors had taken the testimony of scores of survivors, officers and shipping experts. Only the examination of a few more witnesses remains before the hearings are concluded.

Both Tuttle and Dickerson N. Hoover, supervising inspector general of the U. S. Steamboat Inspection service of the department of commerce, indicated they expected to conclude their investigations tomorrow. It is not known when opinions will be given.

Developments Are Summarized Briefly Outstanding developments of the two hearings to date include: An acknowledgment by Edward Kenne, one of the inspectors who examined the Vestris five days before she went down, that the vessel would not have been issued clearance papers if he had reported he failed to lower lifeboats to the water as called for by regulations.

Testimony by the surviving ranking officer that Captain William Carey had declined assistance before he sent his SOS. Negro Stokers Deny Having Left Posts Testimony by engineers that the negro stokers had quit their posts when they could have helped keep the liner afloat longer, and denial of this testimony by some of the "Black Gang."

Criticism by some survivors that lifeboats were leaky and their gear faulty, and that no rescue organization was shown by the ship's personnel who left passengers to shift for themselves in the disaster.

Four possible causes have been suggested for the sinking: leaking seams in the hull, ruptured hull plates, improperly sealed ports and hatches, and shifting of cargo in the hull.

PRESIDENT ENJOYS THANKSGIVING DAY

United States Executive and Wife Have Quiet Time in Virginia Hills

SWANNANOVA CLUB, Near Waynesboro, Va., Nov. 29.—(AP)—A bountiful Thanksgiving dinner was prepared for President and Mrs. Coolidge this evening at the Swannanoa Country club, the secluded mountain mansion where they are spending the holiday week-end.

True to tradition, the principal course was turkey. A huge goblet, weighing more than thirty pounds, was provided for the presidential table by Virginia friends. Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge dined alone in the dining room, which had been invited to accompany them by Virginia—Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Stearns of Boston—were unable to go along because of the illness of Mrs. Stearns.

The dinner came at the end of a day of many varied activities which included attendance at church, an informal luncheon reception, and a college football game.

First of all, the president tested his marksmanship and a new gun in some clay pigeon shooting on the vast estate which surrounds the Swannanoa club. Knowing of Mr. Coolidge's fondness for this form of recreation, in which he had his initiation last summer during his vacation in Wisconsin, the club had provided traps for the president. A distance of 40 yards the chief executive succeeded in breaking seventeen out of 25 flying targets.

The shooting over, Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge motored to Charlottesville for church services. For Thanksgiving and the president's coming, all the protestant churches of the city united in services at the First Baptist church. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. J. W. Moore, pastor of the First Methodist church.

Taking the story of Esther, her opposition of influence and her courage to save her people for this theme, Dr. Moore compared her situation with that of the United States today. He declared that the clear duty and privilege of the nation was to bring universal peace to a "war-cursed world."

ALBANY, N. Y., Nov. 29.—(AP)—Governor Smith, surrounded by his family, today celebrated his eighth and last Thanksgiving day at the state executive mansion. He relinquishes his office on January 1, 1929, to Governor Elect Franklin D. Roosevelt. A turkey dinner with all the trimmings was served with the governor presiding at the table.

OREGON STATE WHIPS EAST'S CHAMPS 25-13

New York University Grid Team Completely Out-classed by Aggies

Adverse Dope Completely Upset by Fighting Western Aggregation

By EDWARD J. NEIL Associated Press Staff Writer NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—(AP)—A nightmare, stark and terrible and fashioned of great, crashing figures in the pure white of Oregon State, shattered sweet dreams today; the dream of New York University for football team that could challenge the recognition of the nation.

It was a dream that began when the first leaves of the fall turned brown, grew through overwhelming conquest of Colgate and Missouri, and reached its height in smashing victory over Carnegie Tech, master of Notre Dame. It came to an end as harsh and unexpected as any football dream could, shattered on the final day of the season by an eleven conceded scarcely a chance to win.

Aggies Dominate Throughout Contest There was no possibility of the Violets awakening tomorrow to rub their eyes and find it all only a bad dream. The actual score of the upheaval, 25 to 13, gave but little indication of Oregon State's complete domination.

Through a forward wall that had smashed every previous thrust three great western backs—Captain Howard Maple, "Honolulu" Henry Hughes, and Cy Sherwood—ripped and tore repeatedly, carrying out long gains, tremendous marches, and three times plowing over the Violet goal for touchdowns. Over the heads of the bewildered forwards, beyond and through the N. Y. U. backs, Maple threw forward passes that dazed the defense and accounted for the fourth score.

Easterners Find Competition Strong Looking as futile and worn against Oregon as they did keen and powerful in whipping Carnegie Tech, the Violets played their game only in the opening and closing minutes of the brilliant battle. Led by Ken Strong, highest scoring back in the east, the Violets stormed out to score a touchdown in the first few minutes of play, then languished under a battering that lasted until the final moment of the contest, before reviving and fashioning the second score.

At the opening gun, Strong raced back 20 yards with the kick-off, tossed 25 yard pass, and then charged through tackle, back to the center and straight down the field for 40 yards. Oregon held bitterly, but Follet swept around an end for 13 yards and the touchdown.

Crowd Decides Everything's Over Despite improved weather, the 40,000 on the stands sat back, contentedly watching another typical Violet slaughter. Before they knew what had happened, the surge of the white-clad westerners was under-way, the ball was in New York territory, and it stayed there for all but the last few minutes of the game, punctuated by touchdowns, until the field was almost hidden in the dusk.

Coming back after that first score, the Oregon State line opened gaping holes for Sherwood, Maple and Hughes to march ten yards at a lick, to the N. Y. U. seven yard line. There was a ripple of uncertainty in the New York stands, but the Violets held for (Turn to page 11, please.)

Ezra Meeker Yet Clinging to Life

SEATTLE, Nov. 29.—(AP)—Ezra Meeker, picturesque 97 year old pioneer, who has lain close to death in a hotel room here for nearly a week, was slightly improved today.

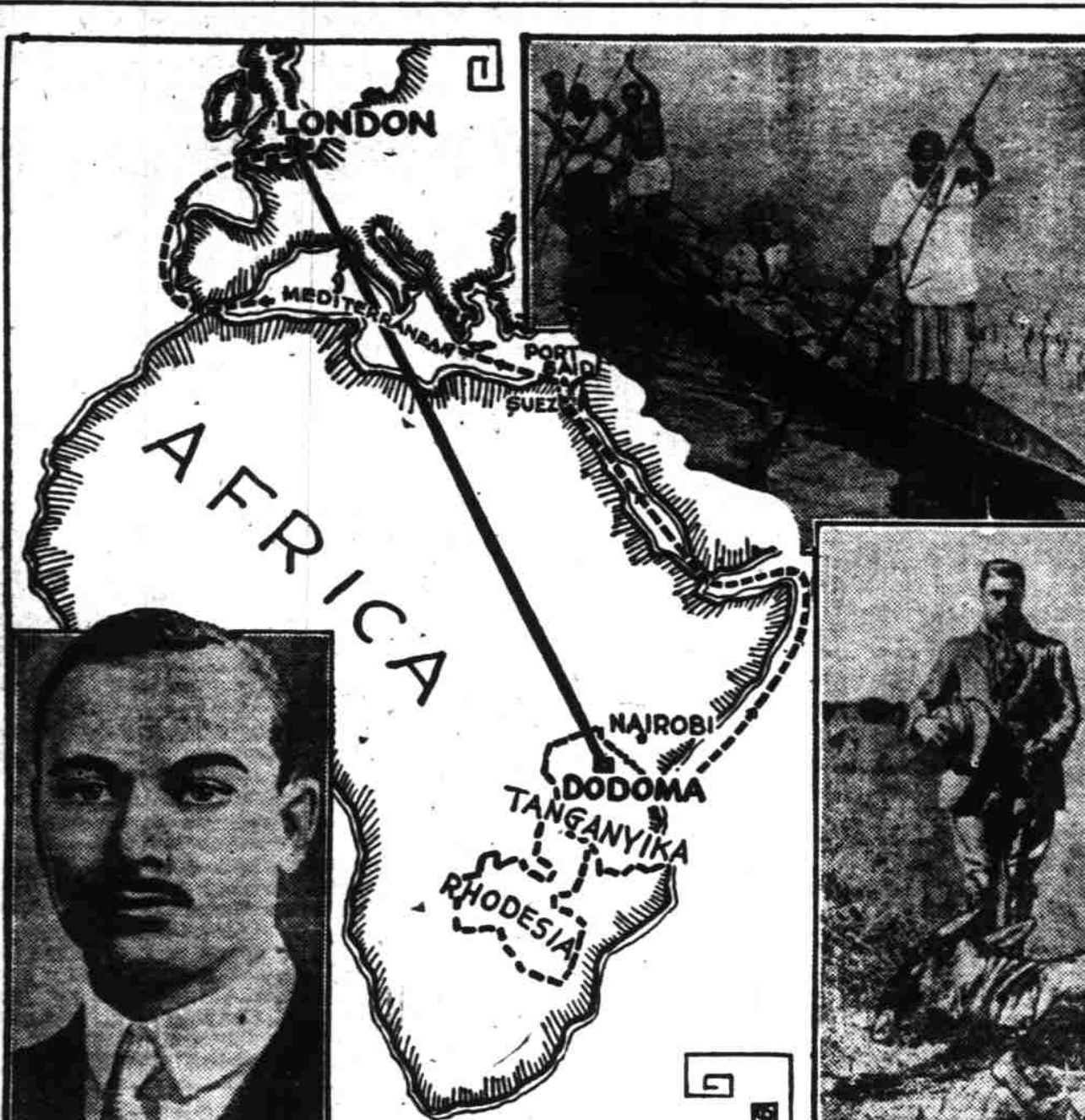
His condition picked up sufficiently for him to be fed liquids by his mouth instead of by infusions. His pulse and temperature were normal and his mental clear, his physicians said.

"We hope for further improvement," they added.

Small Freighter In Distress Gets Much Needed Aid

SEATTLE, Nov. 30.—(AP)—The freighter Chief Maguilla was foundering in mid-Pacific with the first of seven rescue vessels due to arrive at her side about 2 o'clock this morning, radio operator of the liner President McKinley advised the Seattle harbor radio early this morning.

Wales Far Away When King Taken Ill



More than 4,000 miles on a direct air line separated the Prince of Wales from his father, King George V, when news of the British monarch's illness first reached the royal heir on a hunting trip with his brother, Duke of Gloucester, in Africa. Photo shows map of Africa with air line indicated from London to Dodoma, Tanganyika, where Gloucester, lower left, and Wales, in photos at right, were advised of King George's illness.

BELGIUM SUFFERS FROM FIERCE GALE

Soldiers Busy Repairing Dikes Broken Down by Terrific Storms

BRUSSELS, Nov. 29.—(AP)—The situation along the Belgian coast as a result of the recent storm was critical in many places tonight, and enormous damage was inevitable if the gales should turn at fresh.

In Ostend, West End, Middlekerk and Blankenberg, three-quarters of the houses were either unroofed or standing in water. The Middlekerk Casino was in danger of collapse and the promenades along the seashore were either badly damaged or in ruins and covered with sand. All electric car as well as channel boat services were suspended.

From all of these localities came urgent pleas that soldiers be sent to repair breaches in the dikes and other protective devices on the waterfronts.

Despite improved weather, floods were still spreading throughout the Province of Antwerp. Working day and night, 5,000 soldiers had mended most of the 56 breaks in dikes and these were expected to resist tonight's high tide.

In the city of Antwerp the people today were able to obtain drinking water in reduced quantities. Storms had undermined and broken the city mains.

WITNESS FOR STATE GROWS HYSTERICAL

ELSINORE, Calif., Nov. 29.—(AP)—Jessie Clark, 18, niece of Gordon Northcott and one of the state's witnesses against him, became hysterical here when she learned during her Thanksgiving dinner of his alleged confession.

"She went all to pieces when she heard the news," said George H. Morton Sr., at whose home she has been staying since she was returned here from Canada.

"She is worried about the necessity of going on the witness stand against her uncle," added Attorney Loyal C. Kelley, who has been Miss Clark's counsel. "I suppose this hysteria is a natural reaction."

Town Councillor Is Buried to Cure Electricity Jolt

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Nov. 29.—(AP)—The town councillor of the Moravian town of Bakova, was deliberately buried alive after accidental contact with a highly charged electric wire, that rendered him unconscious.

On the advice of a woman doctor of the village, the official, Kutclera, was placed in a hole in the ground in the belief that the earth would absorb the electricity from his body. When dug up after 30 minutes interment, Kutclera was dead.

AIMEE GREETED BY CHEERING CROWDS

Famous Evangelist Has Nothing to Say About Official Investigation

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 29.—(AP)—Aimee Semple McPherson, pastor of Angelus temple, came home today from her European tour to be greeted by a tumultuous welcome by 2,000 persons, gathered at the railway station as her train pulled in.

The famous evangelist refused to comment on the grand jury investigation of her sensational kidnapping story of two years ago and after a motion picture company had obtained a shot "talkie" from her, left for Angelus temple with her two children, Rolph and Roberts.

In a brief speech before the crowd and the "Mike" placed before her, Mrs. McPherson termed her recent tour as one of the most successful she ever had undertaken.

She studiously avoided questions of newspapermen regarding the Los Angeles county grand jury's probe into the handling of charges preferred against her following her mysterious disappearance and ignored her questioners whenever they broached the subject.

Again, when told by a reporter that certain checks and papers of hers had been seized by the inquisitorial body and asked what she thought of it, the pastor turned away.

The large assemblage gathered to greet Mrs. McPherson grew enthusiastic as the train bearing the pastor drew into the station. A great number of persons had large orange and blue pom-poms and waved them vigorously as Mrs. McPherson appeared.

Grid Enthusiasts At Oregon State Hear Of Victory

CORVALLIS, Ore., Nov. 29.—(AP)—Students remaining on the campus of Oregon State college over the vacation period, ran wild in rampant enthusiasm today as the telegraphic score board reports of the Oregon State-New York university football game brought in play by play results of the football upset on the Atlantic.

KING GEORGE MUCH BETTER, IS REPORT

Favorable Bulletins Issued by Royal Physicians; Nation Relieved

LONDON, Nov. 29.—(AP)—An anxious nation began to breathe more freely today as the condition of King George showed distinct improvement.

Two favorable bulletins this morning and one this evening, announcing that the infective process was being held in check and recording a quiet day with sleep, followed Home Secretary Joynson-Hicks' hopeful statement last night that his majesty was on the mend.

It was understood that the king's physicians were greatly satisfied with the king's progress today and would omit the usual late night visits. Tonight's bulletin, issued at 8 p. m., said: "The king had a quiet day with some sleep. Otherwise his condition remained unchanged."

CONVICTS DEPRIVED OF SPECIAL TREATS

SAN QUENTIN, Nov. 29. (AP)—Convicts in San Quentin prison lost all their Thanksgiving diversions, including the ball game today, because of the escape plot frustrated yesterday.

The only improvement over the ordinary fare was a bit of roast pork for the dinners of prisoners not known to be concerned in the conspiracy. The prison band also played during the meal, but most of the prisoners were ill at ease, and some were sullen.

The six prisoners known to be in the conspiracy were searched by guards. The three prisoners sentenced to die a week from tomorrow, was taken to the death cell after discovery of the plot. Prison officials expect him to confess the whole jailbreak plans to his guards, who spoke to him of nothing else.

In the dungeons were Edgar La Pierre, Los Angeles gangster, condemned to death for murder of an Oakland policeman, Louis Lazarus, sentenced to die for murder of an Oakland bank cashier during a holdup, and Perry Coen, facing the death penalty for murder of his sweetheart's father and mother at Hanford.

The two others directly connected with the plot were Roy Cook, San Francisco robber serving a 15-year term, and Howard J. Abbey, of San Diego, serving ten years. The six had dug tunnels to make a dash for liberty today. Discovery of the tunnels frustrated the plot.

Philanthropist Taken By Death

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 29.—(AP)—William Henry Bustis, philanthropist and former mayor of Minneapolis, died at his home here today. He was 83 years old. Mr. Bustis had been seriously ill for several weeks.

BURYING BODY IS CONFESSED BY NORTHCOTT

Defendant in Murder Case Breaks Down After Being Grilled 7 Hours

Youth Screams He Is Willing to Die; Wishes to Protect "Mother"

ABOARD NORTHCOTT Special Car en route to Los Angeles, Nov. 29.—(AP)—Breaking under seven hours of relentless questioning Gordon Stewart Northcott, screaming that he was willing to die, this afternoon confessed he buried the body of an unidentified Mexican youth with whose murder he is charged. Northcott admitted taking the body from his father's Riverside chicken ranch to Puente, where there is a large Mexican colony and burying it, after burning the head.

Northcott went no farther in his confession and refused to admit killing the boy although he told Earle Redwine, Los Angeles deputy district attorney who was his chief inquisitor, that the lad was murdered with a .22 rifle and a pistol.

Hinae Walter Collins Has Met Foot Play The 22-year old suspected killer of four persons denied knowledge of the fate of the two other youths with whose deaths he has been charged, but intimated that a fourth Walter Collins will not be found again. Nelson and Louis Winslow, the youths in question, will be located Northcott declared adding that he "feels" that they are safe.

Refusing to indicate where he buried the body of the boy with whom he admitted clandestine relations, Northcott said he might sign a confession when he got into court, adding in the next breath he might fight the case. Should he confess, he asserted, it would be only because he wanted to save his mother. The police in California now hold in Calgary. Effects of Long Grilling Are Shown

Northcott, guarded by Redwine and three other Los Angeles county officers, was speeding tonight toward Los Angeles where he will be tried for the murder of the Mexican youth. Maintaining his innocence until he reached American soil the suspected slayer or cracked under the strain of continuous questioning and last night begged to be allowed to elect a trial in the United States. "I would clear everything up" today.

Extradited from Canada, the youth was hurried across the border Tuesday night to avoid threatened habeas corpus proceedings which might have held up his removal. Los Angeles officers who he would probably be tried for murder within three weeks.

Mrs. Northcott, held in Calgary pending the outcome of her extradition case, will be charged with aiding her son in two murders. Officers have been working on the conspiracy since the case, as his mother and have tried repeatedly to get him to admit this. The woman lost her fight against extradition but appealed.

DEEP SNOW COVERS MOUNTAIN SECTIONS

DENVER, Nov. 29.—(AP)—Under clearing skies, the Rocky Mountain region tonight lay beneath a heavy Thanksgiving blanket of snow.

All of the states in the Rocky mountain region, Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, Colorado, New Mexico, and Montana were covered in a blanket of white as the storm, marked by unusual high temperatures, moved slowly eastward. Many cities and towns in Colorado and Wyoming, where the snowfall was heaviest, were left covered with from one to two feet of snow.

The flakes which fell continuously for 32 hours were hailed as manna in the farm belt of the mountain states and the storm was passing without leaving any extended damage. Livestock was not injured.

Zumstein Badly Hurt In Three Auto Collision

WOODBURN, Ore., Nov. 29.—Frank Zumstein, resident of the Woodburn vicinity, suffered serious injuries in a three-car smash-up on the Broadacres road about a mile north of West Woodburn. Two of the cars were badly wrecked.

M. J. Lindahl of Woodburn was driving north and J. S. Trayer of Hubbard was driving south and they were passing at the Crosby corner, both going slowly. Mr. Zumstein approached from the west at a high rate of speed and apparently failed to see the two cars on the main road. He crashed into the Trayer car which was thrown against Lindahl's machine.

Zumstein was thrown out of his light touring car and received serious cuts about the head and neck. He was taken to Hubbard for medical attention, by Bert Butterfield, a passing motorist.