

## AIRPORT SIZE NEARLY DOUBLED

### REPARATIONS MEETING SEES NEW HOPE NOW

Optimistic Tone Pervades Conference Following Note From U. S.

Washington Takes Lead in Offering to Reduce Its Claims on Germany

PARIS, May 20. (AP).—The reparations conference, now in its 15th week, took on a more optimistic tone today with announcement that a memorandum had been received from Washington through the American embassy for the two unofficial American delegates, Owen D. Young and J. P. Morgan.

The note from the American capital, which Edwin C. Wilson, secretary of the embassy, talked over with a special committee of the experts charged with receiving representations from countries not officially represented, was the new feature of today's proceedings.

Sensation Is Caused In French Papers  
The news caused quite a sensation in the French press and in circles close to the reparations committee, but the experts themselves treated it with greatest discretion.

During the day the experts of the creditor countries continued their study of the German conditions and they hope to be able to talk over their conclusions with the German delegates tomorrow.

The reparations annuities among the creditors also were touched upon and it was said that some progress had been made. This was thought to mean that somebody's share had been cut down further, but whose it was impossible to learn.

The Belgians and Italians remained firm in demanding more that Mr. Young's figures would give them, but it was thought that if the creditors can get their portions shaved down just a little further, the smaller creditors will not stand in the way of an agreement.

The representatives of the creditor nations worked late this evening to complete their study of Germany's conditions and to finish themselves proposals to insert in the final report touching those conditions.

WASHINGTON, May 20 (AP).—Reduction by the United States of its claim against Germany for expenses of the army of occupation.

### DARING BANDITS ROB MONEY AUTOMOBILE

SAN DIEGO, Cal., May 20. (AP)—Police and sheriffs deputies were searching all over San Diego county tonight for two bandits who just before noon today riddled with machine gun bullets the money car in which the Sunday receipts from the hotel and Casino at Agua Caliente, near Tijuana, Mexico, were being brought to a bank here, killed Nemisio Monroy and J. V. Voretto, the money car guards, and escaped with about \$5800 in cash and \$350,000 in non-negotiable checks.

The small touring automobile in which the bandits rode alongside the money car in which they fled from the scene of robbery, the busy dikes between National city and San Diego, was found this afternoon in the city. It had been stolen May 10 from a San Diego agency and bore the California license number 5-E-4-132. The records showed, the police said, that this license number had been issued to J. E. Mills, 1672 Haight street, San Francisco.

### Engine Repairs on Airship Being Rushed Forward to Completion by Workmen

CUERS, France, May 20. (AP)—Engine repairs to the German dirigible Graf Zeppelin were well under way today, with the airships crew and mechanics working day and night to get her ready for her return trip to Friedrichshafen.

Captain Lehmann today said that all plans depended upon Dr. Hugo Eckener, who is expected to return from Friedrichshafen, Wednesday morning. There will be no trial flight. The Zeppelin will start direct for home once she is out of the hangar.

She probably will have four good motors in running condition by Wednesday, when Eckener arrives. Two disabled engines were taken out and a new one installed

### Gets Post



Dwight W. Davis, of Missouri, ex-Secretary of War in the Coolidge administration is to be next governor-general of the Philippines to succeed Secretary of State Stimson, who enjoyed the position for some time, since it affords a generous salary and a virtual palace for a residence.

### SALEM LAD DROWNS IN ABIQUA SUNDAY

Hubert Dalk Graduate of Local High School Two Years Ago, Taken

Hubert John Dalk, a graduate of the Salem high school with the class of 1926 and recently engaged with his father and brothers in the wood business in Salem, was drowned in the Abiqua river near Silverton Sunday.

Dalk, with William C. O'Neill, carrier for the local postoffice, and Sergeant McClain of the U. S. Army recruiting office here, had separated near the Al Downs farm at Silverton about 5:30 o'clock Sunday morning, agreeing to start the return trip at 8 o'clock. When the appointed time arrived and no Dalk, O'Neill left for town, intending to return later. Meantime McClain went in search of Dalk, seeing the body in the river, from which it was taken with the help of Downs and his daughter, Ruby. A pulmoner failed to restore life. Dr. C. W. Keene of Silverton saying Dalk had been dead two hours. Just how he came to drown will never be known, but it is supposed he slipped on the rocks.

Herbert Dalk was born February 25, 1908. He came here in the fall of 1925 with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dalk, from New Washington, Ohio. The family remained here a year, returning east to Tiffin, Ohio, again to Salem only a few months ago. They live at 1167 D street.

Besides his parents, he is survived by two brothers and two sisters: Dorothy Pauline, Gertrude Marie, Louis C. and John C. Jr., all of Salem. Funeral services will be held at St. Joseph's church this morning at 9 o'clock. Father, Buck officiating. Interment in Saint Barbara cemetery.

### Dustin Wins Suit Against Spaight

A verdict awarding damages of \$2750 to the plaintiff in the case of Dustin vs. Spaight was handed down Monday afternoon in circuit court by a jury out only one and one-half hours. The case grew out of an accident on the road north of Keiser when the car in which Dustin was a passenger left the road and ran into a ditch. Frank Whitmore was the driver of the machine which was owned by Spaight, the latter being a passenger in the car.

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### Further Search For Humphreys Is Found Futile

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20. (AP)—Although more than 100 men spent the week-end searching the Deschutes river near North Junction, Ore., no trace was found of Lester W. Humphreys, prominent Portland lawyer, who disappeared last Tuesday while fishing. He is believed to have drowned. Humphreys was formerly United States district attorney here.

### CUBAN CHIEF SWORN IN

Havana, May 20. (AP)—General Gerardo Machado Morales at noon today took the oath as president of Cuba for a term of six years, to which office he was elected without opposition. He had just completed a term of four years in the executive position.

### KILLING TAKES PLACE IN HIGH SCHOOL HALLS

Youthful Love Affair Ends in Tragedy at Portland Monday Afternoon

Crowd of Students is Panic Stricken as Shots Heard in Corridor

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20. (AP)—Maddened and stung by love that he thought was unrequited, a seventeen-year-old high school boy today shot and killed a student of his own age, then turned the revolver upon himself, inflicting a possibly fatal wound. The affections of a sixteen-year-old high school girl prompted the tragedy.

Herbert Beem, Jefferson high school student, was killed. Walter J. Finke, Jr., his slayer, tonight was in precarious condition in a hospital here with a bullet over his heart. Hospital attendants said he would doubtless die.

Corridor Crowded As Shooting Takes Place  
The shooting occurred in the crowded corridor of Jefferson high school as students were crammed into the hall on their way to and from classes.

Finke is a student of Benson Polytechnic school. He walked into the hallway of Jefferson high at the end of the sixth period today and halted the 16-year-old girl. In a loud voice he quarreled with her, mentioning several letters written to her by Beem. He then walked outside a class room door.

"Is that him?" he shouted at the girl as Beem appeared.

"Yes," she answered.

Rival Struck In Chest By First Bullet  
Finke drew a small revolver. He did not speak. Beem was struck full in the chest by a bullet and turned to run. Blocked by the crowd of students, he turned. Two more bullets were shot into his back.

Boys and girls were panic stricken by the shots. Before those nearest Finke could reach him he had turned the muzzle of the revolver to his own breast and had fired.

Finke was hurried to a hospital and put upon the operating table. Physicians said they disagreed of saving his life. The bullet tore through his body just above his heart.

### COMMERCE GROUP LOSES TO RAILROAD

WASHINGTON, May 20. (AP)—The result of years of labor by the interstate commerce commission in valuing railroads for rate making and other purposes was seriously impaired, if not entirely swept aside today by the supreme court.

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### Suspects Taken For Fatal Row With Preacher

WALLACE, Idaho, May 20. (AP)—The sheriff today had corralled three men suspected of fatally beating the Rev. Andrew Lajunen, itinerant Finnish minister.

Tom Takala, Matt Erickson and Walter Harris are believed by the authorities to have been members of the quartet which is supposed to have attacked the preacher at Mullan, near here, and fatally hurt him. Lajunen died in a hospital without revealing who beat him. Search is being made for the fourth man.

### PILOT KILLED

YELLOW SPRINGS, Ohio, May 20. (AP)—An army pilot, Florida W. Shad of Hays, Kansas, was killed when his plane crashed near here today.

### New Corporation To Be Dedicated To Varicose Veins

The Varicose Vein clinic, with capital stock of \$1000 and headquarters in Portland, has been incorporated by C. M. Forreth, A. E. Wheelock and Jesse G. Warrington. Articles were filed in the state corporation department today.

The Bennett Construction company has been incorporated by G. R. Bennett, E. A. Bennett and Joe Allen Luck. The capital stock is \$500 and headquarters are in Portland.

### BRITISH STATESMAN IS CALLED BY DEATH

Brilliant and Varied Career of Lord Roseberry Comes to Final Close

EPSOM, England, May 21. (AP)—(Tuesday)—Lord Roseberry, statesman, author and sportsman, died at 3:42 a. m. today in a hospital here with a bullet over his heart. Hospital attendants said he would doubtless die.

It would be difficult to point to a man of present day English life who had so brilliant and varied, and yet strange, a career. After a meteoric career as prime minister in 1894-95, the Earl had been for 30 years completely retired from political activity.

During his period he had devoted himself to literary labors, in which he had had great success, orations and social functions. He was the only prime minister to win the derby while in office and won that race three times. Highly popular on the turf, in society and in literature, it seemed strange that he did not push on in the political career he began so brilliantly.

The loss of a son in the World war caused him great grief. He suffered so from haemophilia that he was accustomed to take midnight drives in his carriage with postillions in an endeavor to quiet his mind. His interest continued in all phases of life although failing health in recent years kept him from active participation in social affairs.

### NELSON SELECTED TO DELIVER SPEECH

Principal J. C. Nelson, who this spring terminates his fifteenth year as head of the Salem high school, has been selected to give the commencement address for the class of 1929. It was announced Monday morning from the office of the city superintendent.

While it is not customary for one connected with the school system to give the address to the graduating class, it is felt both townspeople and students will be especially pleased with the choice of Mr. Nelson's long record here.

The principal said Monday afternoon that 1929 it was announced Monday morning from the office of the city superintendent.

The commencement program will be held at 10 o'clock Friday morning, June 7, at the Elsinore theatre, it was decided last week and after the class announcements had already designated an evening hour at the armory. A little dissatisfaction with the new time has been heard, but not enough to cause any strong reconsideration of the matter.

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### Monday in Washington

By the Associated Press

The president announced the personnel of his law enforcement commission.

The house neared conclusion of its general debate on the tariff measure.

The St. Louis and O'Fallon railroads won its valuation case before the supreme court.

The house-senate conference committee on the farm bill met without reaching any agreement.

Senator Norris charged that the "power trust" was attempting to buy the press of the nation.

### KIDNAPERS TRY CRUEL PLOT ON MORROW'S GIRL

Effort Made to Extort Huge Sum From Ambassador to Mexico

Constance, Youngest Daughter, Spirited Away to Safety by Police

BOSTON, May 20. (AP)—The Boston Post in a copyrighted story tomorrow will say that a plot to extort \$50,000 from Dwight W. Morrow, United States ambassador to Mexico, by threats of mutilation and death to his youngest daughter, Constance, was responsible for the unheralded flight of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh and members of the Morrow family to North Haven, Me., Saturday.

The Post will say that the plot was responsible for the guard of secret service operatives which has been posted about the Morrow summer home. It will say that Constance was secretly spirited away from Milton academy here while another girl impersonated her. The girl is 15 years old and a sophomore at the academy.

Letter Demands Sum Of \$50,000  
The story will explain that Miss Morrow first received a letter demanding \$50,000 and threatening

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### DIVIDE IS CROSSED BY COLIN WALLACE

Old Pioneer and Father-in-Law of State Treasurer, Passes

Colin A. Wallace, who belonged to the thinning ranks of men and women who crossed the plains to Oregon in 1852, made his last journey Sunday, dying suddenly that afternoon in Portland, where he had motored that morning with his non-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Kay. He had gone at his own request, to the city to visit his other daughter, Mrs. Anna Todd. He died at her home. Mr. Wallace was 95 years old. He had made his home with Mrs. Kay recently.

Colin A. Wallace was born in Coldwater, Mich., January 27, 1854. In 1852, Colin left an ox team three years earlier, drove an ox team to Oregon. His career included hotel work in Olympia, Wash., service for two years as private messenger to Governor Stephens; and service as a messenger between military posts in the war with the Yakima Indians. He enlisted for Indian war service four years after reaching the coast.

Wallace was married in 1857 to Eliza J. Shuck of Yamhill county, the couple residing in Yamhill county for 24 years after settling on a farm there in 1858, removing from Washington to this state. Mrs. Wallace died in May, 1922 at the age of 83 years. Their son J. West Wallace, and grandson, West Wallace, died in the same month and year.

Besides Mrs. Kay and Mrs. Todd, three grandchildren, all of Salem, survive: A. L. Wallace, Erceel Kay and Mrs. Hollis Huntington.

Funeral services will be held at the First Christian church here at 3 o'clock this afternoon, following short services in Portland this morning. Rev. D. J. Howe will officiate. A Mr. Wallace's own request, made seven years ago, pallbearers will include: Adam Burns, S. Spencer, John Harritt, Thomas Brunk and A. M. Hansen. He had also named the late Judge Burnett.

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### MONOPLANE READY FOR TRIP TO ROME

OLD ORCHARD, Maine, May 20. (AP)—Roger Q. Williams and Captain Lewis A. Yanchey arrived here from the Teterboro airport, N. J., late today in the monoplane "Elisha" in which they plan to fly to Rome.

The fliers were accompanied by Ben Zbori, a mechanic, who said he would not make the Rome flight.

Williams said they would hop off tomorrow at daylight if weather conditions were favorable. The plane, in which Martin Jenson broke the world's solo endurance flight record, was to be fuelled tonight. Williams said the take-off would depend on advice expected late tonight from Dr. Kimball, meteorologist at the United States weather bureau in New York.

### BOX FACTORY BURNS

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20. (AP)—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the Mount Hood box factory, on the outskirts of Portland, tonight entailing a loss of \$18,000, fully covered by insurance.

## City Council Authorizes Purchase of 96.41 More Acres for Salem's Field

Four Traffic Lights to Be Installed on Streets

Aldermen Unanimous in Favoring New System

Four traffic control lights instead of the seven previously proposed, will be installed on Salem's downtown streets, it was indicated when the city council Monday night rejected all bids previously submitted and authorized a new call for installation of the four.

They are to be at State and Commercial, State and Liberty, State and High, Court and Liberty, and are to have only red and green lights, instead of three lights including a "caution" signal.

The vote to ask new bids was unanimous. Alderman Paul Johnson, chairman of the police committee, had asked that it be an expression of the council's attitude on the matter of installing the lights, in view of objection voiced in certain quarters.

Letter Refutes Previous Attacks  
With respect to these objections, Mr. Johnson read a letter from H. S. Jenkins, city electrician of Bellingham, Wash., stating that traffic control lights are giving good service in that city and are being used about nine hours each day excepting Sundays and holidays. Claims had been made that Bellingham had abandoned their use.

A telegram had also been received from Seattle officials, stating that the signal suspended in the center of the intersection, is giving satisfaction there.

A sample of the lights which may be installed here, was on display in the council chamber. A representative of the company which makes them, stated he had been misquoted in the afternoon paper in a story which reported him to have said this type of lights was not adapted to Salem's needs.

### TWO CIVILIANS SEEK NEW FLIGHT MARK

FORT WORTH, Texas, May 20. (AP)—The single-motored Ryan-Brougham monoplane "Fort Worth" soared into its second night with two hopeful civilian pilots about determined to topple the refueling endurance record of 150 hours, 40 minutes and 15 seconds established by the army monoplane Question Mark. The ship took off here Sunday at 11:33 a. m.

The Fort Worth's chief pilot is Reg. L. Robbins and the co-pilot is Jim Kelly, both resident here. The first refueling contact was made early this morning, 110 gallons of gasoline being transferred with oil and food. In notes dropped in the forenoon, Robbins said he had been sick every time and requested that he be sent some medicine, explaining that he always becomes ill when in a plane he is not flying himself.

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Salem's Growing; New Herd Law Is Placed in Effect

It's now illegal to pasture, or keep any horse, cow, mule, sheep, swine, goat, chicken, goose, duck or rabbit within 200 feet of any person's property in Salem, without the written consent of the owner of that property.

Another ordinance placed the duty of impounding livestock of fowls kept in violation of this ordinance, upon the shoulders of the street commissioner instead of the chief of police.

An ordinance to this effect was passed by the city council Monday night, after amendment extending the provisions to include city property instead of a prescribed district.

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### OBJECTIONS MADE TO BUS FRANCHISE

Councilman O'Hara Leads Opposition to Measure; Vote Deferred

Objections to two features of the franchise asked by the Southern Pacific Motor Transport company for its bus lines in Salem, voiced by Alderman David O'Hara, resulted in the franchise ordinance being tabled for two weeks and referred to a committee for further study, when it came up for final disposition by the council Monday night.

Mr. O'Hara said he objected to the provision proposing to grant an exclusive franchise, since the people of his ward now enjoy a lower fare through competition. He added that in his opinion, the charter would not permit the granting of an exclusive franchise, citing a supreme court decision in the case of Parkhurst vs. Capital City Transit company, a number of years ago.

Proposed Fee Too Low, Is Charged  
The other objection was to the fee which the ordinance proposed the company should pay. Based on the regulations of the public service commission for buses on the highways, the company should pay \$2500 to \$3000 for the privilege of using the streets here, he declared.

The council deferred any action upon its resolution with respect to the possible revocation of the Oregon-Washington Water Service company's franchise, following a statement of the company's plans for immediate improvement of the water, made by Wallace

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### W. F. BROWN'S AUTO CONSUMED IN BLAZE

A shorted wire on the car of W. F. Brown is thought to have started the flames which resulted in the total destruction of the auto while it was parked on a road 12 miles south of Salem Monday afternoon.

Brown who is a local real estate dealer, had left the car to inspect a piece of land. When he returned to the auto it was a mass of flames.

Unfortunately Brown had no insurance. The car, a 1925 model, has recently been completely outfitted with a new set of tires.

### Legislation to Control Newspaper Ownership to Be Asked by Sen. Norris

WASHINGTON, May 20. (AP)—Intimations of proposing legislation to control the ownership of newspapers were heard in the senate today as Senator Norris, Republican, Nebraska, assailed a "power trust" which he said was attempting to buy the press of the nation.

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Purchase Price Fixed at Over Fifteen Thousand

Tract Will Be Added to 120 Acres Already Owned

Purchase of 96.41 acres of privately owned land to supplement the tract of approximately 120 acres bought recently from the state, for Salem's municipal airport, was authorized by the city council Monday night on recommendation of the airport committee.

The total purchase price of this additional land will be \$15,461. Sixty acres lying east of the state tract is to be bought from Thomas W. Holman for \$10,000, and 36.41 acres south and west of the original tract will cost \$150 an acre, the price being kept low because of the advantages which the state expects to derive from the location of an airport here.

Class A Rating Now Given Airport  
Purchase of this additional land will give the airport the area necessary for class A rating, since every runway will be 3,000 feet or more in length. R. D. Cooper, engineer employed by the airport committee under authorization of the council, is now preparing plans for the layout of runways and arrangement of buildings, and for the drainage system which will be necessary.

The council authorized a call for bids on the North Salem fire station, which is to be erected at the intersection of Fairgrounds Road, Winter and Jefferson streets, across Jefferson from the Jason Lee Methodist church. Bids will be opened at the next council meeting.

New Bids Asked On Manhole Covers  
Action of the council at its previous meeting in awarding a contract for manhole covers to the W. I. Spencer company, was reconsidered and a new call for bids was authorized. Objection had been raised to this contract on the ground that W. W. Rosebraugh, a member of the council, was a stockholder in the Spencer company. Mr. Rosebraugh had asked the reconsideration, it was reported, as he did not wish to prolong the controversy over this matter.

Contract for the bridge on North 15th street was let to F. L. Odum on a bid of \$7,612.92. Other bidders were P. L. Frazier and Riddon Brothers.

WASHINGTON, May 20. (AP)—George W. Wickersham, attorney general in the Taft administration, has been selected by President Hoover as chairman of the national law enforcement commission and will have associated with him nine other lawyers and one woman representing all of the major geographical divisions of the country.

In announcing the personnel of the commission last today, White House officials said Mr. Wickersham would call the group together here later in the week to map out a preliminary program for the work which is expected to last upwards of two years and which is regarded by the chief executive as the most important task confronting his administration.

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