

TREASURER T. B. KAY DIES

PASSES AWAY AT HIS HOME SOON AFTER MIDNIGHT

Had Appeared in Good Health Since Recovery From his Illness Contracted Abroad and Death Comes as Great Shock to Friends Here and to Entire State; was at Board of Control Meeting When Stroke Suffered

Appeared Nervous During Course of Meeting and Asked That Business be Expedited; Collapses After Pacing The Room; Occurrences at Meeting not Such as to Aggravate Strain Already Suffered

Thomas B. Kay, state treasurer, died at his home here at 12:10 o'clock this morning, following a stroke of apoplexy suffered less than eight hours earlier. With him at the end were the members of his family and his friend and physician, Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner. He was unconscious to the end.

Mr. Kay suffered a stroke of apoplexy at 4:20 p. m. Tuesday in the progress of a meeting of the board of control of which he was a member, in the office of Governor Julius L. Meier. Under consideration at the time was the resignation of Henry W. Meyers as superintendent of the state penitentiary, but the discussion had not been heated.

The attack came without warning although Mr. Kay had been rather nervous, showing he was under some strain, and had asked that the proceedings be expedited. Once he got up and paced to and fro when suddenly he collapsed to the floor.

Present were Governor Meier and Secretary of State Hoss and Carl Abrams, secretary of the board of control, also newspaper reporters. They rushed to his side (Turn to page 2, col. 7)

BUSINESS WOMEN CHOOSE OFFICERS

Merl Dimick President for Coming Year; Beatrice Walton is Speaker

Merl Dimick was elected president of the Salem Business and Professional Women's club at the annual business meeting held last night at the Gray Belle. She succeeds Mona Yoder.

Other officers elected were: Laura Hale, vice president; Helen Louise Crosby, second vice president; Della Hayden, corresponding secretary; Clara Uriah, recording secretary; and Winifred Herrick, treasurer.

The retiring officers, besides Mrs. Yoder, are: Merl Dimick, first vice president; Ruth Moore, second vice president; Irons Brethaupt, recording secretary; Helen Louise Crosby, corresponding secretary.

Several of the many stiff problems which the new Spanish republican government is facing began forcing themselves forward today. Including among them are unemployment, reconciliation of the Catalan and demand for regional independence with the unity of the republic and reduction of the personnel of government departments.

The last of these measures is considered necessary for economy and a safe budget. Crowds of hungry jobless invaded some stores in Seville today, demanding food. Many frightened storekeepers closed their shops. Unemployment is especially prevalent throughout Andalusia.

Together with these troubles came the word from the other end of Spain that Francisco Macia at Barcelona, in spite of his "love feast" on Sunday with President Alcalá Zamora, was serving a notice that Catalonia would never relinquish her demand for complete regional independence. Without interference from, or subjection to, the central government at Madrid.

At present everything seems to depend on how much the national assembly will be elected in June will attempt to limit Catalan independence.

Loses Wallet and Hotel; Gets Them

SAN FRANCISCO, April 28. — (AP)—John Ewing, 56, of Portland, Ore., reported to police today he could not locate the hotel in which he had spent the night and left his wallet under the bed pillow. Police found the hotel. The wallet, containing \$100, was found intact.

Hoover's Son is On Way to Capital

ASHVILLE, N. C., April 28. — (AP)—Herbert Hoover, Jr., left today, bound for Washington, where he will spend a week with his parents at the White House before returning home to Palo Alto, Cal. He came here for his health several months ago.

Salem Pioneer Called Beyond



THOMAS B. KAY

PUBLIC CAREER OF TREASURER EXTENSIVE ONE

Entered Legislature Here in 90's as Opponent of old "Machine"

Obtained Passage of Flat Salary Act; Elected Treasurer in 1911

Thomas B. Kay has a long and distinguished record of public service. His political career began back in the '90s as a member of the lower house of the state legislature from Marion county. At that time, as a political observer recounted, the state legislature was "machine controlled," and the backbone of the machine was the so-called "whisky and gambling ring."

At the 1905 session Kay became a candidate for the speakership but was defeated by a few votes. He blamed the "machine" for his defeat and then led the opposition to its program during the session.

In 1906 he became a candidate for state senator, and although (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

FORESTS TINDER; MAY BAN TOURIST

Fallen Timber Creates Bad Hazard; Santiam Is One of Worst

PORTLAND, Ore., April 28. — (AP)—Fallen timber in seven national forests along the Cascade range from Mount Rainier south to Grater Lake constitutes so serious a fire hazard it may be necessary to order many parts of three forests closed to human invasion, except by special permit, C. J. Buck, regional forester, said today.

The "blow-down" during the windstorm of last week was the most wide-spread in the history of the northwest forest service, said Buck, who is in charge of 22 national forests in Oregon and Washington.

"Throughout the Cascade forest areas, and particularly in the Mount Hood and Mount Rainier forests where timber is large and topography rough, there are many patches of timber in which 80 per cent of the trees have been laid flat on the ground," he said.

Where the timber is standing the ground is covered with needles and branches which within a few weeks will be dry and highly inflammable, Buck said.

The seven national forests which suffered most, Buck said, are Rainier and Columbia, in Washington, and Mount Hood, Santiam, Cascade, Umpqua and Deschutes, in Oregon.

PHILOSOPHER SAID VICTIM OF SLAYER

LOS ANGELES, April 28. — (AP)—A coroner's jury after an inquest today decided that Dr. Luigi Bari Sabunji, 90-year-old Assyrian philosopher, had been murdered.

The jurors said that the extent of the injuries sustained by Mr. Sabunji and the fact that a screen had been removed from the window of his apartment opening on a small court led them to conclude that "the injuries were inflicted by some person or persons unknown, with homicidal intent."

Police ascribed the death of the aged man, who for 18 years was advisor to the late sultan of Turkey, to a murderous assault after a brief investigation when the body was found Friday, but later decided an accidental fall was the cause.

Physician Home After Kidnaping

ST. LOUIS, April 28. — (AP)—Dr. Isaac D. Kelley, wealthy physician, after a week's captivity in rude surroundings under the menacing guns of his kidnapers, was home tonight. The eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, abducted last Monday night while answering a fake sick call, was unharmed and the motive for his release, early today to John T. Rogers, a reporter for the Post-Dispatch, remained a mystery.

County's Financial Condition Healthy

New Audit Reveals

Careful Conduct of Business is Praised in Supplementary Report; all Accounts Balance; Cash Over Million

THE audit of Marion county's books and records for the year 1930, finished yesterday, shows an exceptionally healthy condition of county finances, with the county not only insolvent but with a reserve adequate to meet future emergencies.

The audit contains 995 pages and made by F. D. Hawley and A. S. Messing, will be turned over to the county judge this morning. With it goes a supplementary report which says in part:

"Marion county is to be congratulated upon the healthy condition of its finances, due to the careful stewardship of county affairs by the county court and other county officers."

No discrepancies were found in any department of the county, and there were only a few small errors, all of which were corrected.

The total cash assets as shown by the treasurer's report, for the 12-month period were \$1,223,599.17. Total resources, including delinquent taxes from 1929 to 1929 of \$414,618.56 and interest due from depository banks of \$2,135.67 reached \$1,640,253.40, and net resources were \$1,512,724.93.

Liabilities are listed as follows: special road districts, \$12,910.87; special school districts, \$13,210.34; special cities, \$2,992.62; union high schools, \$725.08; county school fund, \$1,487.98; high school fund, \$1,487.98; library fund, \$125.39; Marion county fair fund and bee fund, \$5 each; dog fund and prohibition enforcement fund, \$2,000 each; fire patrol, \$853.24—total, \$121,415.60. Increased to \$127,575.12 with outstanding checks of \$934.78 and outstanding warrants of \$5,178.11.

The treasurer's office showed resources as follows on December 31: general fund, \$430,638.53; roads and highways, \$688,348.60; county school fund, \$748.75; elementary school fund, \$1487.98; library fund, \$51,796.51; library fund, \$125.39; Marion county fair fund \$5; drainage fund, \$74.41; dog fund and prohibition enforcement fund, \$2 each.

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BOY SCOUT SAVES 15 PARROT LIVES

NEW YORK, April 28. — (AP)—A Boy Scout did a good deed today and so saved the lives of 15 parrots and the feelings of the Syracuse Andean expedition of nine scientists.

The Red liner Caracas reached quarantine at 12 o'clock. Philaetia regulations prescribed that the birds, Macaws, Love Birds, Parakeets and other specimen either had to be destroyed or someone would have to stay with them in isolation on Hoffman island for 15 days.

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New Censorship Law Gets First Inning in Court

SEATTLE, April 28. — (AP)—The first jury in the United States to hear a court fight on new literary censorship provisions in the 1930 tariff act was deliberating here tonight on whether or not to strike the "Social Life" book, "The Sexual Life in its Biological Significance," should be denied entrance into the country.

A sealed verdict as to whether the book is "obscene" or not will be returned to Federal Judge George M. Bourquin and will not be opened until tomorrow at the earliest.

MEYERS TO GO OUT OF PRISON MAY 10, RULED

Board of Control Members Clash Over Date and Then Compromise

Superintendent Critical of Governor in Letter; Interfered, Claim

The resignation of Henry W. Meyers as superintendent of the state penitentiary, was accepted to take effect May 10, following extended argument at a meeting of the state board of control Tuesday. His formal resignation had set the date as June 1.

Election of a successor to Mr. Meyers will be deferred until another meeting of the board, to be held next week.

Governor Meier moved that the resignation be accepted, that Meyers be paid for his services until June 1, but that he be released immediately. There was no second to this motion.

State Treasurer Kay then moved that Meyers' resignation be accepted as of June 1.

Governor Meier amended this motion by demanding that the resignation be made to read May 1. Neither Kay nor Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state, made any reference to this amendment.

"I am serious when I say that Henry Meyers should retire from the penitentiary at once. The unrest that has existed at the prison for the past few weeks is not good for the morale of any state institution. The penitentiary has been (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

RACE SUICIDE IS WORST IN CITIES

NEW YORK, April 28. — (AP)—There are almost twice as many childless marriages in cities as in rural districts, the Millbank Memorial fund reported today after a survey of 69,620 marriages.

Among women between the ages of 40 and 49, 16 per cent of the city dwellers were found to be childless. The same group among country women showed 9 per cent without offspring.

Investigators found childless marriages 2 1/2 times as numerous among professional people as among farm laborers.

"It is suggested by collateral evidence," says the report, "that because of the greater expense of having children in cities and in view of the higher standards of living of the professional classes, birth control is practiced to a greater extent among the so-called 'upper classes.'"

The survey was based on data obtained from the federal census. The urban samples came from 33 northern cities of 100,000 to 500,000 population and the rural samples from counties near the cities. Only native whites were involved.

Cannon Inquiry To Get Further Senate Hearing

WASHINGTON, April 28. — (AP)—Ignoring a challenge of its authority by Bishop James Cannon, Jr., the senate campaign funds committee voted today to continue its inquiry into the 1928 Anti-Smith campaign expenditures of the Southern Methodist churchman.

A unanimous decision by the three committee members present set May 6 for further hearings.

The bishop, in raising the question, recently whether the committee had a legal right to proceed with the inquiry requested an opportunity to appear and argue the point if the committee decided to continue its inquiry.

Shell Explodes; Gives up Fight

MADRID, April 28. — (AP)—Reports from Lisbon late tonight said the cruiser Vasco da Gama, in use by the government forces attempting to put down the revolt at Funchal, Madeira, had been withdrawn from active service. A shell was said to have exploded on the ship's deck, putting it out of action and wounding five sailors.

BLAST IN OIL WELL KILLS 14

Wild Gusher Explodes due to Friction; 10 Others Injured, Probably Fatally in Texas Field

Bodies lie Untended While Rescue Crews Work at top Speed Removing Wounded men to Hospitals

GLADEWATER, Tex., April 28. — (AP)—Fourteen men were killed late today when the wild Sinclair No. 1, Cole oil well, two miles from here, exploded from a spark caused by friction.

Ten others were injured, probably fatally. Most of the injured were removed to a hospital at Longview.

Tom Cole, part owner of the well, said he saw a spark caused by the friction of lowering tools into the well. He turned to run for his life but got only a few feet away before the force of the explosion swept him to the ground, searing his back and head.

Tonight the bodies still lay about the flaming pyre, with all available ambulances employed in removing the injured men to Gladewater and Longview. Well Comes in Ahead of Schedule

The well was brought in unexpectedly early yesterday, a gusher of an estimated capacity of 30,000 barrels a day. It went out of control the instant the black gold spouted over the top of the derrick.

A disaster was averted narrowly then. Oil field roustabouts dashed for engines and quenched flames and no fire had been lighted since.

For a time gas spread over such a wide expanse that tank builders waiting to erect containers for the spouting oil could approach no nearer than a quarter of a mile. An effort was made late today to curb the gusher and in the effort a spark was caused by friction.

OREGON HAS RIVAL FOR BUTLER'S AID

CHICAGO, April 28. — (AP)—Representative Hamilton Fish, Jr., of New York, thinks that Major-General Smedley D. Butler should be sent to Nicaragua to "clean up Sandino," the rebel leader.

He made that suggestion today in a speech before the chief Rotarian club, and coupled it with the assertion "Sandino is being financed in his program by New York communists."

The congressman, whose remarks criticizing the Hoover administration's attitude on Nicaragua were "censored" in a dress to the D. A. R. at Washington, repeated them in paraphrase to the Rotarians.

He declared himself in opposition to "President Hoover's refusal to let the marines march inland in pursuit of the bandit." He criticized "non-protection" of Americans and American interests in Nicaragua.

PRATT ELECTED

CORVALLIS, Ore., April 28. — (AP)—J. K. Pratt, Eugene, was re-elected president of the Oregon Insurance Agents' union which closed its third annual session here today.

Late Sports

TACOMA, April 28. — (AP)—Bob Kruse, Portland heavyweight, won two out of three falls over Bonnie Muir, Australian grappler, in the main event of the wrestling program here tonight.

Houston Stockton, former Gonzaga football player, won two straight falls over Ken Jones, Seattle heavyweight. Stockton won falls in the second and third rounds with flying tackles.

Tom Ray, Nebraska light heavy, and Ivan Siemens, Bellingham, drew in the opener.