

HOOVER VOICES CRIMINAL CODE REVISION PLEA

Seeks to Block Escape of Law Breakers Through Law Technicality

Demands Quick Action for Enforcement of dry Laws at Capital

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29—(AP)—A revision of the nation's criminal procedure to block the escape of lawbreakers through legal delay and technicalities was urged upon congress today by President Hoover. Simultaneously, he urged a wholesale remodeling of the federal bankruptcy laws.

In addition, in one brief paragraph of a message, the president spoke of prohibition for the first time since the completion of the Wick-ersham report.

Pursuing his idea that the national capital should be a model enforcement city, he asked for prompt action upon his previous suggestions for additional dry law enforcement here. One phase of his plan would have the local police force clothed with the authority of federal dry agents.

The special message drew prompt reaction in congress. Chairman Sumners of the house judiciary committee announced that within two weeks hearings would be looking toward "a complete overhauling of the bankruptcy laws." Even before the president spoke, Sumners said, considerable work was done by his committee to this end.

A bill carrying out the president's recommendations was introduced today by Senator Hastings (Republican, Nebraska).

At the outset of his message today the chief executive said the increase in crime in the United States "is and must be a subject of concern to the government and every well-wisher of the country." At its conclusion he pleaded for increased law observance.

"We must all keep before us the thought," he said, "that effective administration of the law in a republic requires not only adequate and efficient officials, but above all a citizenry imbued with respect for law."

HYMNS BY WESLEY ARE OBJECTIONABLE

NEW YORK, Feb. 29—(AP)—Some of the hymns written by the Wesley Brothers, John and Charles, probably will be deleted from the hymnal and psalter of the Methodist Episcopal churches north and south because of the opposition of the younger generation of church-goers.

The Rev. John W. Langdale, secretary of the commission on revision, said today 44 of 120 songs from the pen of Rev. Charles Wesley tentatively are slated for omission. He told a meeting of New York ministers that six of 19 composed by John Wesley, father of Methodism, also are listed to go. The committee will meet March 8 in Cincinnati to make a final decision.

Dr. Langdale said "imagery of bloody and promise of 'everlasting bliss' in many of the hymns had become offensive to the youth of the church."

SEEK SMITH SUPPORT

NEW YORK, Feb. 29—(AP)—A contest for delegates pledged to Alfred E. Smith for the democratic presidential nomination will be made in Vermont, James E. Kennedy, former democratic national committeeman from that state, announced tonight.

McMinnville Man Suicide

Former Official is Dead
Highway Worker Crushed
Casey Trial Jury Picked

His widow and a daughter, Mrs. Genevieve Mays Dodd, survive.

BIG TIMBER HITS

EUGENE, Ore., Feb. 29—(AP)—L. E. Torrence, 55, foreman of a state highway bridge maintenance crew, was crushed to death under a heavy timber at Hendricks bridge on the McKenzie highway today.

Fascists March on Capital of Finland And Battle Troops

Result of Clash not Learned; Demand Made That Socialists be Ousted From the Government; war Threatened

HELSINKI, Finland, Feb. 29—(AP)—A fascist march on the capital today encountered government troops 25 miles away and a clash of arms ensued, but its outcome was not immediately apparent due to crippled communications.

ASK ROSEBURG BIDS BE IN SMALL LOTS

Building Congress Here to Seek Portland Support Anent Vets' Home

Objection to the federal government's call for bids for the first 12 units of the veterans' hospital at Roseburg in one general contract was voiced by the directors of the Salem chapter, Oregon Building Congress, meeting at the United States National bank building last night. This action followed the communication with the veteran's bureau at Washington, D. C., from which the contract information was received last week.

The local chapter forwarded a resolution to the Portland chapter for consideration at its meeting today urging that it set the date for the opening of bids in March 22.

O. G. Hughson, promoter of the congress was present from Portland and reported that he had supervised organization of 10 chapters of the congress in western Oregon.

Bob Anthony Sees Orient's War Regions

Robert Anthony, cadet on one of the large boats of the Pacific with runs to the Orient, was in Salem over the weekend, on short leave while his ship is in port at Seattle.

Young Anthony, graduate of Salem high school a year ago, has seen some of the evidence of the present Sino-Japanese conflict. His boat called at Shanghai on its return to Seattle and firing ceased to allow the American boat to pass.

"There is no danger for the disinterested bystander," said Anthony, "but if he is looking for trouble he certainly could find it." The war was described as an "odd affair, that ceased with heavy rainfall, or with holidays such as the Chinese New Year, at which time fighting ceased to allow time for celebration."

Anthony described as very similar in appearance to the pictures of war-torn villages in France as shown on motion picture screens. No shore leave was granted in Shanghai, but in all other ports in China and in Japan members of the boat's crew were allowed to go ashore according to the young navigator.

MONTANA ARGUERS BEAT WILLAMETTE

The University of Montana debate team, composed of Gardner and Alexander, won from the Willamette team here Monday.

Callister Term On Higher Board Ends Wednesday

The term of F. E. Callister of Albany as member of the state board of higher education expires tomorrow. Thus far Governor Meier has given no intimation whether Callister would be reappointed or not. Announcement is expected to be made today. Governor Meier was not in his offices here yesterday.

Report Plot To Wreck Home of China's Premier

SHANGHAI, Feb. 29—(AP)—An attempt to wreck the home of Sun Yat-sen, China's premier, was reported today by the police. Sun and his wife were asleep at the time of the heavy explosion, which apparently was caused by a bomb, the police said. Neither was injured.

Water in River Receding Today

After rising at the rate of more than a foot a day since Friday, the Willamette river last night began to recede at 1:30 o'clock this morning and stood at the eight foot level, 0.8 foot below the Monday morning reading. The water had risen to the 8.8 mark from the 4.2 point Friday morning.

CONGRESS ENDS POLITICS TRUCE AND FIGHT DUE

Texas Denounces Moses and Attack on Garner and Drops Battle Gauge

Alabama Solon Points out Speaker as Candidate To Avoid Deadlock

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29—(AP)—Congress halted today its "political adjournment" flag today and entered the presidential campaign debate with a bang.

In the senate, "Tall Tom" Connally of Texas denounced George Moses of New Hampshire for what he termed a "savagely attack" on Speaker Garner. He reiterated the Garner contention that President Hoover and the administration were responsible for hard times and warned that the period of co-operation on legislation was over except, perhaps, in the case of the tax bill.

On the house side, Representative McDuffie of Alabama, democratic whip, issued a 600-word statement suggesting Garner as the man to nominate to avert a deadlocked convention and another "Madison Square Garden fiasco."

Outside the Washington political arena attention was drawn to New York reports of a conference between Alfred E. Smith and New York and New England democratic leaders friendly to his possible candidacy.

DINNER TO FEATURE SALEM'S PRODUCTS

April 1 Date Selected for Banquet, Industrial Ex- hibit in City

At a meeting held Monday evening at the chamber of commerce, definite plans were made for a Home Products dinner to be given at the armory under the auspices of the chamber of commerce and the Salem branch of the Women's Greater Oregon association.

It was also decided to hold an industrial exhibit of products manufactured in Salem and vicinity in addition to the dinner which will be held on Friday evening, April 1. Industrial displays will be on exhibition that evening and the following Saturday.

SUSPECTS HELD IN HONOLULU ATTACK

New Atrocity is Blamed on Natives; Fortescue Trial due Soon

HONOLULU, Feb. 29—(AP)—Police tonight held two suspects in the assault Saturday night on an enlisted navy man's wife, and naval patrols were thrown into the search tonight, while sailors policed the city.

One suspect was released today after the victim of the attack, Mrs. Kathleen Hope, wife of a machinist on submarine S-28, was unable to identify him as her attacker.

McCallister Is Back from Trial

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Japan Lands 12,000 Troops; To Veto Geneva Peace Plan

SIMULTANEOUS WITHDRAWAL IS UNACCEPTABLE

Foreign Office Statement Contrary to Tenor of Truce Discussion

League and United States Involved in Efforts To end Conflict

TOKYO, March 1 (Tuesday)—(AP)—A foreign office spokesman said today that Japan could not accept a proposal for simultaneous withdrawal of Japanese and Chinese forces from Shanghai.

The foreign office had not yet heard from the Japanese delegation at Geneva, where the Chinese and Japanese delegates to the League of Nations council were reported to have agreed to a truce, and therefore declined to confirm the reported agreement.

GENEVA, Feb. 29—(AP)—The Japanese and Chinese delegates to the League of Nations council tonight accepted a proposal for truce at Shanghai and an international conference to arrange terms for a final settlement of the conflict.

The United States, Great Britain, France and Italy—as well as Japan and China—are participating in this new move to halt the warfare in the Shanghai area.

WIDOW OF CHINESE LEADER COLLAPSES

SHANGHAI, Feb. 29—(AP)—Madame Sun Yat Sen, widow of the "father of the Chinese republic," who has been busy with relief work ever since the Shanghai conflict started, suffered a nervous breakdown today.

With numerous other Chinese women, she has been assisting in caring for the wounded and for refugees from the war torn area. Almost 4,000 patients, most of them soldiers, are being cared for in the 33 temporary hospitals organized this month by the Chinese Red Cross. Dr. R. S. Lyman, formerly of Hartford, Conn., is directing the work.

Chinese physicians declare that Japanese aviators, who swoop low and open up with their machine guns, have been impeding the work of searching battlefields for the wounded.

REED JURORS OUT, DECISION DELAYED

MEDFORD, Ore., Feb. 29—(AP)—Albert W. Reed, 26, of Denver, sat in a cell here tonight awaiting the verdict of the jury before which he was tried for the killing of an Ashland policeman. Two men whom Reed blamed for the slaying are at large, unapprehended.

The case went to the jury late this afternoon after a trial which lasted six days. Taking the stand in his own defense Reed blamed the two Denver companions, Paul McQuade and Lee Jackson, for the killing of Victor Knott, the policeman. Knott was shot to death when he came upon a group of men prowling around a warehouse. McQuade and Jackson were indicted for the slaying but have not been found.

Henry Morris Is Out for Council In Kowitz Place

Dr. Henry E. Morris, 2615 State street, yesterday entered the lists for nomination as alderman from the sixth ward, the position now held by Chris Kowitz. If nominated in the May primaries, he stated, he will endeavor to fill the position of alderman in a creditable manner. I am a firm believer that Salem should own her water system. His ballot slogan is, "I favor immediate acquisition of the Salem water system."

The ward six position also is sought by Carl B. Armpriest, 332 North 24th street, who filed with the municipal recorder yesterday. Armpriest during the administration of T. A. Livesley as mayor was appointed alderman to fill out the unexpired term of Fred A. Williams, who resigned to accept the city attorneyship. Kowitz defeated Armpriest in the next election.

Soviet Troops Mass Near Vladivostok in Expectation of War

Fortifications Being Strengthened, Poison gas Factory Opened; Feeling is That Trouble is Inevitable

TOKYO, Feb. 29—(AP)—The foreign office was informed today that 100,000 Soviet troops have been massed in the vicinity of Vladivostok in preparation for what is considered in Russia to be an inevitable conflict with Japan.

This information came from Japanese Consul Yamaguchi in Vladivostok, he reported that city and along the Ussuri railway near the border of north Manchuria.

In a telegram to the foreign office the consul asserted that an iodine factory at Olga Bay was being converted for the manufacture of poison gas and that fortifications at the entrance of Vladivostok harbor and on Russian island were being strengthened with new heavy guns and anti-aircraft batteries.

Basing his report on information which he said he received from a reliable foreign source, M. Yamaguchi declared there two army corps in the immediate vicinity of Vladivostok and that most of the troops were new arrivals from European Russia.

Munitions, foodstuffs and military supplies of all kinds were being brought in day and night, he said, and three new forts were under construction at Sedanka on Amur bay near Vladivostok.

The consul informed the foreign office that he had been told the Russian considered the Russo-Japanese clash to be inevitable—if not over Manchuria then over the fisheries question, which has been a source of friction between the two countries for several years.

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Recall Early W. C. T. U. Upon 50th Anniversary

Messages of congratulation from President Hoover for 50 years of the organization, and resident of Salem in his boyhood, who spoke in behalf of his mother, a member of the early union.

Mr. Lockley recalled his work on a local paper 41 years ago, at which time he spent his noon hours reading in the W. C. T. U. reading rooms across the street from his office. He spoke of his evening discussion with "Bert" Hoover, as he milked the family cow and "Bert" carried Dr. Mint-horn's horses in the old Oregon Land company barn. "Bert" used to bore me to death these days talking about geology. At night after the chores were done I looked across from my home I could see the light in "Bert's" window. He was studying and not long after that he announced that he was going to college," reminiscenced Mr. Lockley.

TERRIFIC BLAST ROCKS CITY AS MINES SET OFF

Explosion Occurs Close to Japanese Cruisers but They're Undamaged

Fresh Troops Pour Ashore To Engage in Battle On Entire Front

SHANGHAI, March 1—(Tuesday)—(AP)—Explosions which rocked the city of Shanghai this afternoon resulted from the blasting of two mines in the Whangpoo river only a few yards from the Japanese cruisers lying at anchor there, it was learned after the explosion took place. The Japanese ships were not harmed, but the city was rocked.

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McMAHON DEFEATED BY BENNY LEONARD

NEW YORK, Feb. 29—(AP)—Benny Leonard, former lightweight champion, outpointed Billy McMahon, young Irishman, in ten rounds at the St. Nicholas arena tonight in the most important struggle so far in his comeback campaign. Leonard, who retired undefeated in 1924, weighed 151 3-4 pounds; McMahon, 149. There were no knock-downs.

All the scenes of Leonard's former glory were brought back as 3,600 of Benny's admirers jammed the tiny arena and applauded his every move.

Leonard won rather easily, occasionally ripping right hands to the Irish kid's head that hurt, while his marvellous defense, slowed somewhat by his 36 years, still was enough to ward off most of McMahon's heftiest punches. One left hook raised a "mouse" under Leonard's right eye in the second round, but he kept McMahon away from the tender flesh the rest of the way.

NARCOTIC RING IS REPORTED BROKEN

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 29—Federal narcotic agents arrested five men here today and said they had broken up the largest narcotic ring that has operated in Portland in the past 10 years.

Arelio Casciato, Harry Buchanan, Jack Russell, Tom Pitts and Julius Gadinian were held for the federal grand jury under \$2,500 bail each by order of United States Commissioner Kenneth F. Frazer.

The agents said they had purchased 65 grams of a narcotic from Casciato and had found 500 grams more at his home. They also claimed a purchase from Gadinian, a Filipino, Russell and Pitts, a negro, both had served at McNeil Island penitentiary and Buchanan formerly lived in Seattle and San Francisco, they said.

Bullet in Jaw Answers Plea For Back Pay

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 29 (AP)—Gus Syvia, 33, World war veteran, was shot in the jaw tonight during an argument with Carl Mastruoni, 53, who was held by police for questioning. Syvia's wound was not serious, hospital attendants said.

Police said they learned Syvia, who recently was released from the Veterans' hospital here, went to Mastruoni's home to collect for work done for Mastruoni about two years ago. The argument followed.

Mastruoni told police, they said, he shot in self defense after Syvia struck him.

Oregon Briefs

PETERS SHOOT'S SELF

McMinnville, Ore., Feb. 29—(AP)—Lee F. Peters, McMinnville merchant, shot himself to death in his store today. A note left by him blamed ill health.

LAW GRAD OF W. U.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 29—(AP)—Franklin Pierce Mays, 76, formerly United States district attorney, died at his home here today. He had been ill for several years.

Mays was born in Lane county, Oregon, May 12, 1856. He studied law at Willamette university and was admitted to the bar in January, 1880. He was appointed United States district attorney for Oregon in 1890. At the end of his term of office he formed a partnership with Judge Charles E. Carey and continued to practice law in Portland until his retirement in 1907.

NORRILIA TO DEFEND

ASTORIA, Ore., Feb. 29—(AP) Selection of a jury to try James Casey, Olney logger, for the murder of Albert Fox, Green Mountain rancher, was completed today. An alternate juror remains to be chosen Tuesday.

BAKER HAS SNOW

BAKER, Ore., Feb. 29—(AP)—Two inches of snow fell here last night. There was no wind and temperatures were moderate.