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No Lack of News in 1932

1932 is set down as one of the years in which the famous depression raged supreme. Not only did business suffer from its inroads, but the monster reached into schools and public offices, always the last to feel the effects of business currents. A review of the year shows however that there was no lack of news. The papers in fact had overloads of news stories of great public interest. There is no exact standard of comparison, but if there were 1932 would be outstanding for the number of really big news events which called for liberal quantities of space in the public prints.

Just as coaches at the end of the season make lists of All-American or All-Northwest football teams, editors have been busy making up lists of what they regard as the most important news stories of the year. A group of New York editors of the Associated Press of which The Statesman is a member, has prepared its list of the 10 biggest news stories. and the count is as follows:

1-Lindbergh kidnaping and murder-17 votes.

2-Bonus army clash in Washington-15 votes. 3-Democratic landslide in Nov. 8 American elections-15

1- Ivar Kreuger suicide and collapse of Kreuger companies - 14 votes.

5-Olympic games at Los Angeles-11 votes.

6 -Sino-Japanese conflict at Shanghai-11 votes. 7-The Insull collapse at Chicago-10 votes.

8-Resignation of Mayor Walker of New York-10 votes. 9 - Massie case at Honolulu-8 votes.

10-Amelia Earhart solo flight to Europe; imprisonment of Al Capone-tie, 7 votes each. Other outstanding news events receiving from one to six

Midwestern farm strike; assassination of President Doumer of France; Smith Reynolds death mystery; rise of "wet" sentiment including Rockefeller pronouncement against prohibition; the business depression; Gandhi's hunger strike; Hitler conflict in Germany; Lausanne conference; stratosphere experiment; Raymond Robins disappearance; eclipse of sun.

The newspapers are called on to render an essential service in peace and war, in prosperity and adversity. They do not create the stories; they report them. In a year when their own revenues were greatly reduced the newspapers were called on to go to great expense in the covering of important news features: Shanghai war, the Lindbergh kidnaping, the presidential campaign and election, etc. The papers discharged their public duty ably. It is doubtful if in any year the press has given finer service than it has this year.

A newspaper is different from a factory. It cannot shut down for weeks at a time. It must keep on operating. A newspaper must render news service; and must do it in fair weather and bad. A newspaper ought not to make much money, because it can nearly always find need for improvements in its news and editorial departments or in its mechanical equipment. This year most papers have gotten by only by deferring improvements and abstaining from making the normal shop replacements. They have done this rather than | miliar with its early symptoms. The sacrifice the quality of their product.

The people should have faith and confidence in their newspapers. They are demonstrating their value every day; and they are showing a conspicuous devotion to public welfare, a devotion which does much toward making communal living possible.

Samuel Insull Is Released

THE Greek courts have refused to extradite Samuel Insull, wanted by Chicago authorities on charges of embezzlement. The specific complaint is that Insull took money from the treasury of one of the companies he was executive of to bolster the brokerage account of his brother Martin Insull. The brother is in Canada and resists extradition, while Samuel fled from Paris to Italy and to Greece.

The biggest mistake the Insulls made was flight. If they had remained at home, or shown willingness to return when requested they would have strengthened their case. The major offense of the Insulls was not the embezzlement of a comparatively small sum, but the succumbing to the delusion of unlimited power and sucking into their financial structure the savings of thousands of innocent people. That defect was chiefly one of judgment and not of purpose. Samuel Insull had made money; he had directed the real and substantial expansion of the utilities centering in Chicago. If he had faced the court in Chicago bravely his chances of escape from punishment would have been good.

Choosing to become a fugitive and then battling extradition Insull confessed fear; and cowardice has always been associated with guilt. He adds moral failure to financial failure. The world will forgive mistakes of judgment; but it is slow to forgive one guilty of moral lapse. Insull may enjoy freedom in Athens, but that will have a sour taste compared with the loss of respect and confidence of the American people.

After dodging the federal deficit, aside from drawing up a beer bill, the democrats now are coming to the point of trying to balance the budget at this short session of congress. If they are wise they will pass some kind of tax legislation and get it out of the way. If the matter is deferred to a special session, not only does the defleft pile up, but the democrats then have virtually the whole load of responsibility. As it is now they can divide the blame with the republicans who control the senate and the presidency. No party will extract much glory from levying fresh taxes, especially sales

Railroads and airplane lines frequently publish statistics showing how slim is the chance for any passenger to get killed. But the safest job of all seems to be to steal recall and initiative petitions down in Portland. Judge and jury make things safe for the sus-

The mayor-elect of Portland is thinking about going to China before assuming his office. After he gets in and listens to Bennett and Clyde and the claquers of the council chamber he will want to make a trip to the moon, with no return ticket.

Astoria is applying for a loan of \$6,006,000 to build a bridge across the Columbia. Recalling Longview's experience the bridge stamped envelope and repeat your might prove self-freezing instead of self-liquidating.

The kind of advertising that is hardest to resist is the post-Christmas clearance sales. It makes one wish he hadn't done his

San Francisco police brand Paul Callicete's Mooney story as a hoax. A lie out of whole Callico as it were.

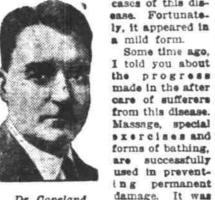
Christmas shopping early.

One Present We Wish We Could Have Given



By Royal S. Copeland, M.D.

EPIDEMICS of infantile paralysis are always distressing to mothers. Recently, in one of the large cities, there was an alarming increase in the number of



Dr. Copeland

pointed out that dangerous complications are avoided by early recognition and treatment. Many cases of infantile paralysis could be prevented from reaching the serious stage if all parents were fadisease is contagious or infectious and, if overlooked, may spread from one child to another. While no age period is exempt from infantile paralysis, about ninety per cent of the cases occur in children under five

Early Symptoms

Unfortunately, in its early stages, the disease is easily mistaken for nothing worse than a cold or an uptoms are fever, headache, nausea and vomiting. Diarrhea may be present, but constipation is the more common complaint.

An important sign of trouble is a definite change in the mental attitude of the patient. A happy and active child afflicted with this disease suddenly becomes quiet and listless. He

eries without apparent reason. It is at this stage that the disease should be suspected and immediate care given. Then the dangers of actual paralysis are materially reduced. Paralysis of the limbs does not occur until later and it is imperative that the diagnosis be made before that

When the disease is recognized in its early stages, it can be satisfactorily treated by the giving of a "convalescent serum". This serum is obtained from the blood of a person who has recovered from infantile

Don't Delay Treatment

You may tire of my urging this over and over, but I cannot speak too much about the importance of early recognition of this disease. If you are in doubt, call your physician. If he is in doubt he will have made a special examination of the spinal fluid. This will confirm the presence or absence of infantile paralysis. The test is made by a procedure that is simple and it need cause no alarm. It is particularly important

been reported in your community. Great progress has been made in the study of infantile paralysis. As yet, the causes of this disease are not fully understood. This makes it more important to guard against the disease, not only during epidemics, but at all times. To be familiar with its

if cases of infantile paralysis have

signs, is one of our duties. There are a few fundamental health rules valuable in guarding against infantile paralysis, as well as other infections. Every child should have nourishing food, regular hours of sleep and rest, plenty of fresh air,

sunlight and cleanliness. Answers to Health Queries A Subscriber. Q.-What causes

A.—This is usually due to some food which causes irritation. Watch the diet and avoid constipation. For full particulars send self addressed

M. Q.-What causes fir between the toes? A.—This may be due to excessive perspiration or eczema. Send self aded stamped envelope for full particulars and repeat your question. (Copyright, 1988, E. P. S., Inc.)

### ALTH BITS for BREAKFAST

More old time characters:

cases of this dis- ion, bet. Thirteenth and Four- suds, which he would swing at ease. Fortunate- teenth."

of the stories that used to be told from one part of the shop to an man would not dare print it, even a spade, and worse. Mrs. Gash is Ross. continued as a leading competitor in supplying milk, etc., to Salem families, away up into the eighties or nineties.) 5 5 5

More of the matter sent by Mr. Woodworth follows: "As menloned in the former item, Salem like an ordinary citizen. Every skip, and a jump. He was a caband was an expert workman and

Yesterdays

Town Talks from The Statesman of Earlier Days

December 28, 1907 Precipitation of 1.28 inches lamette river level up to 23 feet, Little damage has resulted here so far but trouble is being experienced at Albany, Oregon City and Portland.

Ronald C. Glover left last night for Washington, where beginning with the first of the retary of Congressman W. C.

Rugby game of a series of three for the Keith cup.

December 28, 1922 "It is a well established fact that we have discovered oil in our well at St. Paul," states a letter issued by the promoting mas did you have?" The answers company inviting its stockholders they received are as follows to meet at the well and investigate its possibilities. Further drilling, below the present 1000foot depth will be necessary to avoid the water flow, the letter

iven the decision in his 10-round here last night. Brick Coyle, of enjoy the day." Vancouver, was considered lucky in getting a draw with Phil Bayes in their whirlwind match.

WASHINGTON, D. C .- Wood- cold, I guess." row Wilson is expected to spend the greater part of his 66th birthday tomorrow quietly in his

Daily Thought "Very good. Very, very good."

"Congressmen would do better if they took their ears from the ground and listened to the still small voice."-Norfolk Virginian-

an excellent citizen. He was very fond of beer, and it was a daily (Continuing from yesterday:) sight to see him going back and The 1872 Salem Directory listed: forth between Oberhelmer's and Sheridan, Jas., laborer, res. Mar- his shop, going for a bucket of arm's length over and over his head. The centrifugal force kept (Cy Woodworth would not have the beer from spilling. When at dared write and mail at least one work in his shop, he would skip about Mrs. Gash-and The States- other for different materials. He usually hummed a little ditty to in this day, after the World war, himself, keeping time to it with when writers of books call a spade his feet. His real name was Lou-5 5 5

"Another character was Fried-

man the auctioneer. He had a very peculiar gait when walking and a partial paralysis of some of the muscles of his mouth, which kept his lips moving in a very grotesque manner. Regularly, once a week, he held an auction ers. Some of them would require He would stick out his red flag. extended notice, but many are get out his big bell, and ring it; only odd from some peculiar man- and the crowds would gather nerism. A man who was known as while he told funny stories and the 'Flying Dutchman' caused a sold his goods. He specialized in great deal of amusement and as- cotton underwear. The reason for onishment to strangers. Those this was that knitted cotton unwho had lived in Salem a long derwear had just come into use. ime had become accustomed to Formerly everybody wore red his peculiar way. He never walked | flannels. They were terrible. They were made out of coarse wool, place he went his gait was a hop, and scratched, but it was the style. Friedman actually sold inet-maker and had a small shop, these goods at auction for more money than they could be bought at most retail stores. The children all liked him and knew him. and that is always a recommendation. There is an amusing anecdote which concerns his name: an elder sister took her younger sister to a patriotic meeting, and her nection with it, as Ladd & Bush younger sister was very much in- kept his books, made out his reterested in the music. A few days ports, and handled every item of later she heard her younger sister singing at the top of her voice. There was some compensation to 'Shot in the back, I'll cry for the bank by having the deposit, here yesterday brought the Wil- Friedman.' The song she had but they would have had it anyheard was 'shouting the Battle how; they did it as an act of kind-Cry of Freedom."

Billy Stanton kept a clgar store. He was a cripple, from birth; both legs were atrophied, but he had no trouble getting around in a high-wheeled vehicle which he year he will be the private sec- turned by hand with a crank. He was a very handsome man, a ba-Hawley. During vacation time, chelor, and liked by everybody. he expects to take post graduate He ran a typical small-town store, a bumming place for everyone. Out in front stood a genuine VANCOUVER, B. C. - By the wooden Indian, with a tomahawk margin of three points to nil, in one hand and a bunch of cigars Vancouver yesterday defeated in the other. What a great find it Stanford university in the first would be if it could be resurrect-

Statesman reporters yesterday inquired: "What kind of Christ-S. E. Elliott, banker: "My

Christmas wasn't as pleasant as usual: I had a cold." K. L. Randall, lunch counter operator: "I had a fine time;

"Aberdeen" Jimmy Duffy was there were six kids at our house, three of whom still believed in oxing match with Chick Rocco Santa Claus. They made us all Theresa Kirsch, elevator oper-

> the day I usually have. Too much T. H. Tomlinson, attorney: "Fine, fine. I had a good time; re-

ator: "I didn't have the spirit for

ceived nice things. H. H. Vandevort, sheep raiser:

Mrs. Otto Wilson, home maker: "I had a happy Christmas."

mas."

## THE BLACK SWAN"

CHAPTER THIRTY-FIVE

When Major Sands and Monsieur de Bernis came to break their fast in the hut next morning, Miss Priscilla met de Bernis with a complaint concerning Pierre.

This was the third morning in succession that the half-caste had been absent when breakfast was to be prepared, with the result that she had been alone in preparing it. "He is nowhere to be seen. Each day he does not appear again until close upon noon. What can he be doing? Where does he go?"

"He is seeking yams, perhaps," de Bernis replied casually. "If so, he never seems to find

any. Both yesterday and the day before I saw him return, and he came empty-handed from the woods," "Perhaps the yams are becom-

ing scarce, and he is driven farther afield in his search for them." His apparent indifference to his servant's evasion of duty seemed curious to her, as he might have read in the glance with which she

"Could he not leave those quests until after we have broken our fast?"

searched his face.

"Perhaps he likes to find the yams still moist with morning dew."

At this absurdity her stare became more marked. "I wonder why you should jest about it." "In our situation there are so

further; but a sense of annoyance rudimentary intelligence.

remained with her. sword-play beyond the bluff.

Black Swan should be ready for it. launching again.

two men move away from their spoor he followed. The trail led up- of the bluff, above which, had she sequestered little camp and disap- wards over rising ground. At the looked up, she would have beheld pear into the woods. He had al- summit of this, the hard dry earth no more than his head from the ready observed these morning ab- between the sparser palms was al- eyes upwards. Thus he remained sences of theirs, and he halted, most bare, and the trail lost its until she had passed again under wondering vaguely whither they distinctness; he quested there for the screening canopy. went, when his attention was at- some moments, to be led eventu- In that moment de Bernis, the tracted by the green-clad figure of ally towards the open by signs Spanish plate fleet, his officers, his Priscilla Harradine coming forth which might be those of someone's lawless followers and the account from her hut. From the distance recent passage that way. But hav- they might demand of him if the he watched that trim, graceful ing reached the edge of the bluff, enterprise of the plate fleet were shape with eyes of kindling admir- he was entirely at fault. She was now wrecked, had ceased to be of ation. He watched her turn to the nowhere to be seen. Below him, like any deterring account. All that he right, and set out briskly, like one a gigantic emerald set in a vast considered was whether he should pose. She proceeded for some little clear that through its smooth, un- back and wait here among the the wood.

might be going so unfalteringly mediately beneath him, he could amongst them. and definitely, he reached almost survey not merely the beach of this Livid, panting, his heart beating at once the desire to ascertain. Re- tiny cove, but long stretches of in his throat, he crouched there sentment of the barrier raised sand beyond the barriers of rock waiting, a beast in ambush for its against his attentions to the lady on either side of it, and nowhere in prey. had never ceased to smoulder in sight was Miss Priscilla.



which, had she looked up, she would have beheld no more than his head.

few things that lend themselves growing impatience for the time continued through the wood, and for jesting that I may surely be when, the business of the Spanish went back to endeavour to pick up forgiven if I neglect none of these plate fleet being concluded, this the trail again. Ahead, where the few. But I will speak to Pierre. I barrier would definitely be re- ground began gently to slope ence will see what can be arranged." moved. It had not often happened more and the undergrowth in-This, she thought, was an oddly to Tom Leach to be under the ne- creased again, he saw signs that it offhand way to treat the matter, cessity of restraining his desire, and had been trampled, and cursing the of slight importance though it he remained unschooled as a sav- time he had wasted, he was movmight be. And to say no more in age in the art of it. Also, as is the ing forward, when suddenly a conclusion than to promise to see way of unruly, undisciplined men, splash below, too loud to have been

Later in the course of the morn- in obeying now the unreasoned in- pool. A moment later, whilst he ing, the Major and the Frenchman stinct to follow her, he was was staring frowning inquiry, he went off to their daily secret prompted only by curiosity on the saw that which made him catch his score of her movements.

Captain Leach was strolling In long, swift strides he crossed hands and knees amongst the trees alone at the time on the damp firm the beach diagonally, straight to so as to avoid, himself, being seen. sands at the very edge of the re- the palm tree with the arnotto A nymph of an incredible whiteceding tide, a vivid figure in his roses clustering about its stem by ness was swimming out across the scarlet suit. Impatient to be affoat which he had marked the spot at tiny lagoon. As beheld through the again, and so safe from surprise, which she had vanished into the water, her limbs seemed of marble. he came from urging the men in wood. Once, himself under the shel- Leach, so pale through his tan the completion of the work; for ter of the trees, he had little diffi- that his countenance seemed alnow that the tarring of the hull culty in picking up her trail. It was most green, feasted hot eyes upon was finished, only the greasing re- plainly marked in the under- that vision of incredible loveliness. mained to be done, and in three growth, thinner on the edges of As she turned to swim back, he days, or four at the most, the this jungle than in the depths of dropped still lower, into a supine

who was guided by a definite pur- cup of rock, he beheld a pool so leap down from that bluff or fall way along the summit of the ruffled surface he could see the fish friendly shelter of the trees. In the beach, then she, too, vanished into moving in the depths of it. Saving end he decided for the trees, and the unsuspected little platform un- went recklessly crashing through From wondering whither she der the black canopy of rock im- the undergrowth to conceal himself

what could be arranged, when a he must ever be preferring that made by any leaping fish, arrested simple word from him could re- which lay under his hand at the him.

move the cause of her complaint, moment to the greater things that He turned. He saw wavelets seemed almost discourteously cas- might be achieved by planning and moving outwards in widening cirual. She pressed the matter no waiting. It is an indication of his cles, from some point which the rock screened from his gaze, rip-It is doubtful, therefore, whether pling the mirror-like surface of the breath, and instinctively drop upon

position. In this, wriggling upon Cautiously, unhurried, but pur- his belly like a snake, he thrust From where he paced he saw the posefully now as a hound upon a himself forward to the very edge

(To Be Continued) had never ceased to smoulder in sight was Miss Priscilla.

Copyright, 1932, by Rafael Sabatimi him; and it was accompanied by a He concluded that she must have Distributed by King Features Syndicate, Inc.

ed from some cellar or garret. He was also city treasurer. No one opposed him for office. That office seemed to belong to him. He did not have any work to do in con-Letters from the office without cost to him. Statesman Readers

" 'Gassy' Smith was not a resident of Salem, but he is part and parcel of the history of Salem. He lived at Mehama, which was one of the favorite resorts of Salem people, and he also had relatives living in Salem, and was almost a resident. There is no need to explain how he got his cognomen. He was not a vicious prevaricator -merely imaginative. He could sit and talk by the hour, and draw on his imagination and tell the most marvelous tales of his prowess and of what he had seen others do. He was very hospitable and accommodating, and was very much liked. He was generally very amusing and entertaining. Even if he was spinning a yarn, he did it unconsciously."

ness and to help Billy Stanton.

The 1872 Salem Directory listed: "Ross, L., cabinet maker, bds Liberty streets, where "Dreampiles, from the swamp or lake 'grocery' of Paul Oberheim was near where the Capital Journal office is now, so the "Flying Dutchman" did not have far to go in "rushing the growler."

(Some of the Woodworth matter will have to go over. In the mean time, who can give the Bits man the name of the Frenchman, "Louis," if that was his first name—the man who lived not far ed fine grapes, and was supposed public road system. The gas re- H. Davis family in Corvalits and to have an interesting history? port of last August was \$110,000 they have as the family in France. The writer will Miss Kathrine Gunnell, business one who can recollect something splendid progress being made in Raines is home from the Monwoman: "I had a grand Christ- of his history, or at least who can reducing taxes. Salaries of county mouth normal school for the vacagive his name.)

The Safety

to the Editor:

I would like to be allowed a litle space in your open forum column to express my attitude to the auto license which must be setled soon by the legislature. I have read all rticles printed in your paper and feel that the time has come that Oregon must readjust the auto license system. have always voted for the present plan of collecting funds to meet our road and highway expenses. I feel now, on ccount of the changes made by other states, I have in mind California and Washington, have made new revenue laws which makes conditions such that we must have our plan changed. Relatives and friends that live in the above mentioned states take out auto Ilcenses and send them to their Oregon friends and make

a go of it. I read Mr. Hoss's plan; have given it much meditation since. I must say I am much in favor of the plan he gave in every detail. Union House." His shop was at I said a year ago our by-roads are the southeast corner of Ferry and in good shape and we have enough highways. Finish those started land" is now. It was built up on and keep the repair work going. When we get back taxes paid and that was there originally. The times get better and the farmer gets a reasonable price for the products of his farm;

When prosperity exists instead which will increase our gas rev- Imogene and Julia Burch, all of enue one hundred thousand doi- Salem and their son Victor. Mr. from the old woolen mill and rais- lars per month for upkeep of our and Mrs. Fair were guests of the

and city employes crawling down tion period.

from the high pinacle of world war time. I know I am not alone when I say I hope members of our legislature will think of the many calloused and rough hands of farmers and laborers toiling to gather the dollars into the state treasury for the need of state expenses which they are

now to distribute. Please cut out that large force of unneeded clerks. They are not there because they need clothes or food. Those in need of clothing to keep them warm or food to eat are not employed. 8, P. McCracken.

# HAPPY CHRISTMAS

LIBERTY, Dec. 27-Christmas iay was observed here both reverently and joyfully by family gatherings for dinner, gift giving and attendance at Salem church services by many. Robert Criteser from the Children's farm home at Corvallis spent several happy holidays here with his brother Ray who is making his home with the Stacey's this winter. Mr. and Mrs. Stacey spent Christmas with her brother James Stevens in Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Krauger and Illa spent the day in Molalla with the J. A. Marts; Mrs. Krauger's parents. Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Browning, Lester, Margaret, Dorothy and James Senter of Linfield College and Miss Dorothy's fiance, were guests in Salem at Mrs. R. L. Browning's. The Ray Cleveland family went to Roseburg.

Miss Lola Dasch, teacher in the of depression then it will be time Sharon, Washington, high school to build more highways. I see no near Spokane, arrived home in reason why we should not com- time to spend Christmas with her pete with our neighbor states parents. Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Gibby having \$3 auto license and son's guests for Christmas were not raise the price of gas. I fa- the Misses Ruth and Rovella Emvor property tax on cars. Let us ery of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Orget@ all cars using gas again ris Hoffman; their granddaughter There were stories of his connectless than that collected by the Dora Bellamy of Crabtree. The Harold Lane's motored to Long-I also sincerely hope our leg- view to visit her parents, Mr. and be glad to have word from any islature has taken notice of the Mrs. George Peed. Mins Veneta