

## Major Water System Project is Opposed

### Seek Tacoman In Slaying of Idaho Officer

Douglas Van Vlack Flees  
After Abducting His  
Ex-Wife, Belief

### Pair Involved in Fatal Shooting Near Twin Falls Hunted

**TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Sheriff E. F. Prater at 10:30 o'clock tonight expressed belief the slaying of Fontaine Cooper, state traffic officer, at Buhl early this afternoon is surrounded by posmen in the vicinity of Amsterdam, Idaho, a small farming community 25 miles southwest of Twin Falls.

**TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Two officers watching for Douglas Van Vlack, wanted at Tacoma for abducting his former wife, were shot down by a fleeing motorist near here this afternoon. One of them, Fontaine Cooper, state traffic officer, was killed. The other, Deputy Sheriff Henry Givens of Twin Falls county, was seriously wounded.

Tonight officers throughout southern Idaho hunted the gunman, who was reported to have continued eastward toward this city and later was believed seen at two points further east. The alarm was spread for Van Vlack when Joseph Hook, father of his former wife, Mildred Hook, received a telegram from his daughter reporting their presence at Boise, Idaho.

Patrolman Cooper and Deputy Sheriff Givens were stationed near the highway at Buhl, 16 miles west of Twin Falls. Early this afternoon a 1931 coupe, answering the description of Van Vlack's car, appeared.

**Officers Shot as They Approach Car**  
The officers were believed to have attempted unsuccessfully to flag it down, to have jumped into their own machine and to have overtaken the fleeing car. Then, evidence at the spot indicated, they again left their machine and approached the car. As they stepped around the rear of their automobile they met the deadly fire of the hunted man. Cooper fell, killed instantly with a bullet through his right eye. Givens was shot through the neck and arm, and the gunman sped away.

Within an hour after the shooting Sheriff E. F. Prater was informed a man answering the killer's description had been seen at Kimberly, eight miles east of here, and a short time later he was reported to have started toward Oakley, 35 miles southeast.

**TACOMA, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Two Tacoma families waited helplessly tonight while officers hunted the barren hills of southern Idaho for the killer of a state patrolman.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Van Vlack paced their modest home in fear  
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### People Drinking More, Indicated

**WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Apparent evidence that "people are drinking more" was seen today in United States public health estimates that 3655 persons died of alcoholism during 1934.

Dr. R. C. Williams, assistant surgeon general, said the public health service "is not alarmed" at an increase of 258 deaths from chronic and acute alcoholism during the last reported year.

The death rate from this cause stood at 2.9 per 100,000 of population for 1934, an increase from 2.6 in 1933 and 2.5 in the full pre-repeal year of 1932.

No estimate was made of the number of deaths from poison liquor, all alcoholic cases having been listed together.

**Cutten Wins Fight For  
Restoration to Trade  
Rights in Grain Pits**

**CHICAGO, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Arthur W. Cutten, millionaire grain speculator, today won his fight against a government order suspending him from trading privileges in the country's markets for two years.

### Sheriff Propounds New Theory In Closing Strike-Bound Plant



Scene several days ago as guards at the Ohio Insulator plant at Barberston, O., advanced on striking pickets who stormed the plant in the face of a tear gas barrage. Yesterday Sheriff Flower took 16 deputies to the plant, removed non-striking workers and closed the plant. He said he had an opinion from the county attorney that "Human rights are above property rights."

### Call For Capitol Board Is Awaited

**Nobody Knows Who Will  
Issue It; Pendleton  
Man Last Member**

The old, old question of who will bell the cat—in the modern version—who will call together the newly appointed state capitol commission, was going the rounds of the statehouse yesterday with Governor Charles H. Martin apparently unwilling to call the new group together and with no one certain whose duty it was to issue the call.

### AAA Decision Is Additional Blow

**WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—A supreme court order temporarily enjoining government collection of AAA processing taxes for eight Louisiana rice millers today augmented difficulties besetting the new deal's farm program.

The action of the justices, who simultaneously agreed to pass upon the constitutionality of an AAA amendment forbidding injunctions to restrain processing tax collections, directly affected a comparatively small sum.

### Burns Prove Fatal

**EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Myrl Moss of Portland died Sunday at a hospital here as a result of burns. His clothing was ignited when he and a companion were resting near a camp fire above Lost Creek ranch on the McKenney highway Sunday night, after they had righted their truck which had overturned.

### Open Other Lumber Markets To Northwest, McNary Plea

**PORTLAND, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—The Oregonian's Washington correspondent said tonight Secretary of State Hull had promised to consider two suggestions relating to a proposed modification of the Canadian trade treaty.

The correspondent said the two suggestions, advanced by Sen. Charles McNary (R-Ore), were: "First, have Canada make a concession by modifying the Ottawa treaty which will permit Oregon-Washington (lumber) operators to re-enter their old markets in Australia, New Zealand, China and the British Isles from which they are now practically excluded by the preferential enjoyed by Canada," and

"Second, have British Columbia lumber destined for American ports shipped in American and

### Oil Issue Has Helped Peace Cause, Assert

Will Speed Efforts for  
Ending Conflict Say  
Some Diplomats

### Ethiopians Claim Couple Of Major Victories, Northern Front

**ROME, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Diplomatic sources said tonight that oil, by raising the threat of spreading war, has aided the cause of peace.

It is a stake for which Premier Mussolini will fight, well informed observers stated. Upon it, they asserted, depends either a conflict in Europe or a peaceful division of Ethiopia.

Italian officials still were anxious lest the United States, through a voluntary oil embargo, set the pace. But most authoritative sources expressed doubt that the American government would take formal action to keep oil from Italy.

**ADDIS ABABA, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—The Ethiopian government asserted tonight two victories on the northern front had turned the tide of the war in that sector in Ethiopia.

An official announcement said Dejasmach Wores, leading a detachment of Ras Seyoum's warriors, had triumphed in two engagements within three days.

In one fight, the government stated, three Italian battalions attacked north of Makale lost their commander and several soldiers while the rest of the troops were dispersed.

Semi-official dispatches stated the Ethiopians in the south had regained the fortified town of Gorrabel, taken by the fascists early in their advance from Italian Somaliland. The Italians were said to have suffered heavily.

### All Brazil Placed In State of Siege

**RIO DE JANEIRO, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—President Getulio Vargas, with backing of his senate and chamber, placed the whole of Brazil in a state of siege tonight to crush a leftist uprising.

As planes, warships and troops were pressed into action to quell a bloody revolt in the north, the senate, in an emergency session, approved a 60-day state of siege by a vote of 25 to 3 and the president quickly put the measure in force.

A few hours earlier the chamber of deputies had approved the drastic resolution, voting 155 to 69.

The declaration divested the nation of many of its constitutional guarantees for the third time since Vargas took office five years ago at the head of the revolution.

Shipment to War Zone  
Gain Despite Effort of  
Government to Prevent

**WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Information in the hands of the government tonight showed the American exports to the Italo-Ethiopian war zone were continuing during November despite the pressure applied to stop them.

There was, however, no indication as to whether the shipments involved an increase or decline in sales of essential war supplies compared with those recorded in October.

**Jolley Funeral Set**

**PORTLAND, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Final rites for Mrs. Ada Jarvis Jolley, 57, president of the Oregon Women's Temperance union for the past nine years, will be held in the Laurelhurst Methodist church here at 1:30 p. m. Wednesday.

### Jury Ponders Fiedler Fate; Lacks Verdict

**PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 25.**—(AP)—The circuit court jury pondering the fate of George Fiedler, 23, was locked up for the night shortly before midnight. The panel was given the case at 6:15 p. m. No indication of the trend of the balloting was made known.

**School Bond Sale  
Set in December**

**\$650,000 Issue Offered;  
1934 Block Voted For  
Leslie Is Also Up**

Sale of \$650,000 of school bonds for construction of a new high school, a grade school and improvements at Leslie junior high school will be made on December 11 or 12 in accordance with a resolution adopted by the Salem school board at a special meeting last night.

**4 Burglary Cases  
Are Being Probed**

**Pants Pocket Prowler Is  
Active Again; Evades  
Net of Officers**

Two business houses and two homes were burglarized here over the weekend with loot taken consisting of approximately \$4 in money, a quantity of rifles, ammunition and other goods.

The "pants pocket" prowler busied himself again here early Sunday morning, netted about \$4 from a house near 17th and Market street, and a scare on North 21st at the east edge of Englewood park.

**Insulator Plant  
Closed, Sheriff**

**AKRON, O., Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Sheriff James T. Flower took 16 armed deputies to the strike-bound Ohio insulator plant today, removed 65 non-striking workers, closed the plant and established a guard of about 50 armed deputies around the property.

The sheriff told the workers they could remain within if they wished, but that no food would be permitted to pass through union picket lines. Plant Superintendent W. M. Marr was the last man to leave.

**Bank of France Pushes  
Discount Rate Up With  
Hope to Stop Gold Flow**

**PARIS, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—The Bank of France attempted to stem the increasing flow of gold from its vaults today by again raising the discount rate.

**Late Sports**

**PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Primo Carnera used a big weight edge and a hard left jab tonight to outpoint Ford Smith, the cowboy fight killer from Montana, and get safely past his second comeback hurdle.

**Vancouver, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—The Calgary Tigers opened their swing around the coast loop of the northwestern hockey league with a 9-2 drubbing from the Vancouver Lions tonight.

**ALBANY, Ore., Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Coach Joe Mack of Albany college said tonight his team would play Linfield here at 11:30 a. m. Thanksgiving day if the date was acceptable to the McMinnville school. He said he had not received a challenge from Coach Lever of Linfield but that it would be accepted immediately when it arrived.

### New Evidence In Lindbergh Case Claimed

Wood Matching Ladder Is  
Found, Ansonm Note  
Writing

### Bills Defense Hopes to Prove Ransom Money Likewise Listed

**BOSTON, Nov. 26.**—(Tuesday)—(AP)—The Globe, in a copyrighted story, said investigators, seeking new evidence in the case of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, convicted kidnaper of the Lindbergh baby, have discovered, in Massachusetts, wood they believe identical with that from which the kidnap ladder was constructed, and handwriting samples they believe match the ransom notes.

The Globe copyrighted story says the investigators also have discovered bills they hope to prove as some of the ransom money. The wood upon which they plan, in part, to base demands for a new trial was discovered, the copyrighted story says, in the little town of Ashby, five miles from Fitchburg.

The details of the handwriting, the story says, will not be revealed until a later date.

The money, which, the Globe says, Hauptmann attorneys have in their possession, is said to have been passed in Boston by a man who, it is alleged, is now directly under suspicion of the kidnaping.

The Globe copyrighted article said the investigation has been going on secretly here for a month and that the paper learned that the Hauptmann defense planned to reveal new evidence uncovered in Massachusetts before Hauptmann's appeal is heard by the supreme court.

### Wounded Suspect Says Three Slain

**OKLAHOMA CITY, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Five missing persons, all feared slain, were sought throughout Oklahoma tonight after E. Smith Hester, McClain county attorney, announced a critically wounded suspect had confessed to him the slaying of three of those missing.

Hester said the captive, Chester Comer, 25 year old Oklahoma City youth, mumbled to him after he was shot by a town marshal near Blanchard:

"I did away with three . . . dumped their bodies in a pile under a pipe line . . . Allen . . . near Ada."

Fears expressed by Mrs. J. R. Childers, stepmother of Elizabeth Childers, Comer's first wife and by Charles Stevens, father of Mrs. Lucille Stevens Comer, his second wife, led officers to add their names to the list of missing.

Hester said Comer admitted he "did away with" Ray Evans, prominent Shawnee civic leader; L. A. Simpson, Piedmont farmer, and Simpson's son, Warren, 14.

**Business Thumbs Down on  
Asserted New Deal Trends**

**WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—Organized business as represented by the chamber of commerce of the United States was on record tonight as strongly disapproving what were called trends in new deal legislation.

The national organization made public the results of its poll of local chambers and trade associations on four questions based on a committee analysis of major policies said to have been reflected in law enacted since the Roosevelt administration took office.

Spokesmen said the overwhelming vote—ranging upward from 95 per cent—against the "trends" constituted a mandate

### Aldermen Say Cost May Prove Barrier To Getting Supply

Special Committee of Council Finds  
Merit in Suggestion of Minor  
Distribution Improvement

Sentiment as to Source Not Definite  
Among Group; Commission Sees  
Reservoir as Greater Need

**COMPLETE REVAMPING** of the Salem water system at a cost of \$733,490 as recommended by the city water commission is out of the question at present but to provide employment, improve fire protection and prepare for handling a future new supply, a moderate program of distribution line revisions and additions should be undertaken at once. A larger program by its consuming a large share of the water bonds not yet sold would jeopardize construction of a new supply system.

### Profit Is Earned By Water System

**Amounts to \$5999.74 For  
Three Months on Top  
of Capital Fund**

The Salem water department during its first three months earned a net profit of \$5999.74 per month after \$6165.55 a month had been set aside to meet bond principal and interest charges.

The operating report for August, September and October shows \$54,034.91 earnings and \$7,744.64 expenses, leaving a net profit before debt retirement is considered amounting to \$36,489.87. The bond sinking fund is set up with a view to meeting annual interest payments and having sufficient funds on hand when the bonds begin to mature five years from now.

VanPatten pointed out that August and September were peak months from the standpoint of water consumption and resultant high collections.

The operating expenses were as follows: Labor, \$7257.98; office and administrative salaries, \$3490.55; postage, \$379.63; automobile expense, \$477.45; supplies, \$1672.75; insurance, \$377.19; power, \$3307.89; printing, \$381.60.

### Condition of Girl Believed Critical

Miss Lulu Brown, pedestrian who was struck in connection with a two-car collision at 12th and Hoyt streets early Sunday morning, continued in a critical condition at Salem Deaconess hospital early this morning. No change was noted during the day, attendants said.

Dr. George W. Rittiman, member of the Fairview home staff, was said by police to have been driving the automobile which struck Miss Brown. There was some confusion as to when Rittiman's machine collided with a coach driven by John F. Collins, 1810 North Church street, whether before or after the young woman was hit. Collins' machine was badly damaged and he and three passengers bruised, he said.

Miss Brown suffered a fractured leg and arm, a severe laceration in one side, painful bruises and small cuts and possibly internal injuries. She resides at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Powell Clayton in Morningside.

### Lindsey Restored By Colorado Bar

**DENVER, Nov. 25.**—(AP)—The Colorado supreme court today restored Benjamin Barr Lindsey to the Colorado bar, ending one of the most sensational chapters of a career that carried him to national fame as a Denver juvenile judge.

"I am vindicated," was the happy exclamation of Judge Lindsey when he heard the decision at Los Angeles where he became a superior judge after being disbarred in Colorado.

He was accused of accepting \$47,500 from an attorney and Mrs. Helen Elwood Stokes, Colorado beauty, after he had aided in obtaining a settlement reported to have been \$3,000,000 from the estate of her husband, W. E. D. Stokes, New York financier, for her two children.

Lindsey contended the sum was a "gift" offered because of his friendship with Mrs. Stokes. The grievance committee of the Colorado Bar association claimed it was misconduct for the judge to accept the money.