Japan Reveals Minimum Peace Conditions

Linn Angle of **Ledford Case** Being Studied

Death Near Brownsville of Former Husband Is Under Probe

Coincidence of Fire at That Town Recalled: Indictment Asked

PORTLAND, Oct. 28-(AP)-Still maintaining her innocence and complaining of a stomach allment, Mrs. Agnes Ledford remained in the Multnomah county jail today while investigations into the deaths of her two step-daughters and a former husband continued

The Columbia county sheriff's office said informations charging her with first degree murder in connection with the death September 6 of Ruth Ledford, 13, her husband's daughter by a former marriage, probably would be presented to a grand jury Monday. Ruth's death, followed two days later by that of her sister, Dorothy, 15, was attributed to ber-

disclosed traces of arsenic poison. Meanwhile, Linn county authorities investigated the death at Brownsville in 1932 of John Matson, Mrs. Ledford's former husband, ascribed by his physician to gastraentarites and by the then Silence of Plane county coroner to "inflammation of the stomach due to food poison-

Coroner E. C. Fisher recalled that refusal by the county court to provide funds prevented an autopsy.

Officers recalled also that Mrs. Ledford, then Mrs. Matson, was taken to an Albany hospital claiming to be suffering from food poisoning, returning home the

Reports from Linn county indisastrous Brownsville fire octhe day before Matson died. Among the buildings destroyed in the fire, believed incendiary at at the Pierce county airport Octhe time, was the Dunlap drug tober 23. store, owners of which said they Ledford, then Mrs. Matson. Rec- died in the crash, which came as recalled a sale of arsenic to Mrs. ords of the sale were destroyed the big plane was taking off for

Joan Ledford, who is being held was negligence in connection with der charges in connection with negligence, if any, was criminal. the alleged poisoning of her two returned with a statement that step-daughters, resided just west of Halsey several years ago, it The jurors objected to the fact no was recalled here. In 1928 Mrs. Ledford, who at that time was Ledford, who at that time was Mrs. John Matson, was the chief partment of commerce) inspectors figure in an alleged kidnaping case. The Matsons continued to live near Halsey for some time afterwards and then moved to Waldport. Matson, however, returned to Linn county, and died at Brownsville in 1932. Burial services were at Waldport.

The alleged kidnaping case in which the former Mrs. Matson figured occurred on July 17, 1928. A party of Californians in (Turn to page 2, col. 3)

Oddities

DALLAS, Oct. 28-(AP)-Elijah Jones, Negro, will face trial Saturday in Justice John Baldwin's court on a charge of stealing the pulpit from the Independent Baptist church.

The complaint against Jones was sworn out by M. Giles, assistant to the pastor, who told Asst. Dist. Atty. Bill Bowen that Jones stole the pulpit out of revenge because the congregation had kicked him out of the church for "religious contempt."

WATOVA, Okla., Oct. 28-P)-Mr. and Mrs. John Taudfelt, already blessed with six -no boys-awaited a new It came last night—twin

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 28-(AP)-Hallowe'en "protection" is the newest wrinkle offered by youthful celebrants in South Minne-Residents in the vicinity an-

swered their doorbells last night to be confronted by a group of whose centenary cele-youths. The leader, about 15, gathering recognized. suggested that occupants might like to assure themselves of a safe and sane Hallowe'en by contributing to a defense fund. Po-lice were told no one contrib-stitute of Chicago which is spon-

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Oct. 28-(P)-A giant crane caused 900

spread of six feet, flew into a high tension electric wire, dying and shutting off power

FORMER LINN RESIDENT MURDER SUSPECT



ries coated with wind-blown spray after an autopsy on the older girl Mrs. Agnes Joan Ledford, 35, Yankton, Ore., mother of two small children, suspected of poisoning her two stepdaughters, Ruth, 13, and Dorothy, 15, last September. Charged with murder, she is shown here in custody of Sheriff Millard R. Calhoun just before being placed in the Multnomah county jail at Portland where she stoutly denied her guilt.—IIN photo.

Owner Criticized

Coroner's Jury Declines to Bring in Verdict on Four Deaths

TACOMA, Oct. 28-(P)-Declaring A. H. Walker, of Kansas City, Mo., 'guilty of criminal negligence because of his failure to testify dicated that some attention was as to the air-worthiness of the being paid to the fact that the airship in question," a Pierce county coroner's jury today recurred September 27, 1932, just fused to bring in a verdict in connection with the crash of Walker's tri-motored monoplane

> Four persons, including Pilot Leonard Rhiner, of Kansas City, a sight-seeing trip over Tacoma

ALBANY, Oct. 28-Mrs. Agnes structed to decide whether there "we wish to go on record as find-

department of commerce inspector Len Nell, of Portland, failed to appear at the inquest. He was reported at Tacoma field to have left for Portland with the second plane used in his barnstorming tour which began at Kansas City

August 1. In addition to Rhiner, three l'acoma passengers, Fred Williams, 19, Mrs. Helen Momblow, 78, and Roger Jones, 19, died in the crash. Seven other passengers were injured.

Under questioning by Coroner r. H. Long, four pilots asserted they did not know the cause of the 100-foot crash.

Indian Airman Killed

killed near here today as the air- highway. plane in which he planned to fly

Salem 10 Minutes From Portland on Eyston's Schedule

BONNEVILLE SALT FLATS, Utah, Oct. 28-(AP)-Capt. George E. T. Eyston roared his monstrous automobile "Thunderbolt" over this glistening, saline course today at 309.60 miles per hour - the fastest man ever travelled on land.

The intrepid Englishman exceeded Sir Malcolm Campbell's world land speed record of 301.1292 m.p.h., but the seven-ton, 24-cylinder car broke down on the return journey, leaving intact the record, chalked up on the same white straightaway in 1935.

American Automobile association rules require runs in both direction within one hour to qualify for measured mile rec-

If Captain Eyston had traveled his 309 miles an hour over the highway from Portland to Salem he would have made it in approximately 10 minutes.

Logged-off Lands Will Be Restored

Agreement Is Made With County Court in Long Conference Here

North Santiam highway lands as presentable from a scenic standpoint as possible and the timber taken paid for in addition, a group of loggers agreed after

Cleaning the right-of-way enwas ordered recently by Engineer else." H. D. Farmer of the federal bureau of public roads, which con-ROUEN, France, Oct. 28.-(P)- tributed much of the money for P. Nair, Indian airman, was constructing the North Santiam

·Cost of cleaning up the damthe south Atlantic lost a wing and aged lands was estimated by the (Turn to page 2, col. 6)

Dwight Moody Paid Tribute In Centennial Meeting Here

Charlie Chaplins but men sent God, one of the outstanding from God to preach God's word," nor are churches intended to be places of entertainment, declared those who would be great pres-Dr. Herbert Lockyer of Liverpool, England, in addressing a union mass meeting of 800 persons gathered at the armory here last night to pay tribute to the work and person of D. L. Moody, whose centenary celebration the

Dr. Lockyer appeared here in Smith Dr. Will H. Houghton, soring the centennial observances on both sides of the Atlantic, spoke briefly, paying significant tribute to Moody's life and selves to the bible but must nese government and army and

"Ministers are not clerical he termed next to the word of books of literature, to show the characteristics of Moody and of Hays heads.

These essences he pointed from the sixfold passions of the great presence interpreted to the pilgrim Christian from candle-lit picture: Passion for prayer, for the bible, for spirituality or the law of truth, for separation, for souls and for reward.

He urged Christian leaders to call men and women back to the position of prayer in Christian service, and declared that "the supper room has taken the place of the upper room."
"We must not only apply our-

Code of Practice Adopted, Brewers

Cooperation in Sobriety Movement and Support · of Law Are Pledged

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 28 - (P) -The United Brewers' Industrial foundation, whose members produce nearly one-half of the beer and ale in the United States, adopted a "code of practice" to-In addition to pledging them-

selves to follow the law, cooperate with authorities, maintain high standards of production, and to promote practical "moderation and sobriety" the brewers stated

Support constituted authorities for the elimination of anti-social conditions wherever they may surround the sale of beer to the con-

Encourage retailers who sell beer "as law-abiding citizens." Cooperate in preventing sales to minors or persons intoxicated. Tell only the truth in advertise-

The foundation elected H. J. Charles of St. Paul, Minn., chairman to succeed Jacob Ruppert of New York city. Ruppert was reelected today as president of the United States Brewers association.

Other foundation officers included: G. L. Becker, Ogden, Utah, and Adolph Coors, Golden, Colo., directors.

logged off by private concerns without authority to do so will be cleared of debris and made Signing Contract

ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 28-(AP)a lengthy conference with the Hollywood golfing John Montague county court yesterday morning. declared today he has yet to sign a contract for motion pictures, croached upon by the loggers golf exhibitions "or anything

The man who Tuesday was ac quitted of a 7-year-old robbery charge emphatically denied reports here he had signed an agreement with Everett Crosby, Bing's brother, to manage his affairs or with the Paramount studios to go into the "movies." "I can't help what news has

come out of Hollywood," the golfing wizard friend of well known moving picture folk said. "I don't know where they got that." Will H. Hays said at Hyde Park, N. Y., the question of Mon-

tague's appearance in motion pic-tures has not come before the Motion Picture Producers and Distributors association which

Mme. Chiang Hurt expressed by Wade is the view of the second district," Jeffrey added. In Auto Accident

SHANGHAI, Oct. 29-(Friday)-P)-Injury of Mme. Chiang Kai-Shek in an automobile accident while traveling between Nanking and Shanghai was disclosed officially today.

Mme. Chiang, Wellesley-educated wife of the head of the Chi-

One Man Known Drowned in Washington; Gale Severe on Coast

Maryland, West Virginia and Pennsylvania Hit After Heavy Rains

(By the Associated Press) One life was lost on the west east and more than 200 families were driven from their homes in the east last night by torrential rainstorms and flooded rivers. A 60-mile gale lashed the coast

of Washington, disrupting communications on the Olympic peninsula and causing one death. In the east, a steady downpour swelled the rivers of Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Vir-

ginia, threatening a repetition of the floods in those areas early The situation at Cumberland, Md., became so menacing a company of the national guard was ordered out there for flood duty.

The main business street stood under eight inches of water. The Potomac river continued rising, although at a diminishing rate. Half of Ridgely Is Under Water Half of Ridgely, W. Va., across the river from Cumberland, was

under water. Up and down the Cumberland valley, towns were and residents were quitting their Williamsport, below Cumberland,

and at the upriver mining towns of Mitzmiller and Shallmar, delivery on their own commitwhere 120 families were forced to ments. seek higher ground. A similar exodus was under way in central West Virginia, The

towns of Buckhannon, Weston and Sutton were virtually isolat-Reporting virtual cessation of rains throughout West Virginia. the weather bureau at Cincinnati

"little danger" the Kanawha river would go beyond its 35-foot flood stage at Charleston. PORTLAND, Oct. 20-(AP)-Rain, measuring .61 inches at Portland. drenched western Oregon today

and caused two sawmills at As- day. toria and Port Orford to change operations. The Crown-Willamette Logging camp on the Astoria city watershed was shut down, although the

company will continue cutting on lower hills. At Port Orford, storm conditions prevented landing of the steamer Port Orford and forced suspension of operations at the trans-Pacific mill until lumber

can be cleared. PORT ANGELES, Oct. 28-(AP)-Hampered by broken communication and transportation systems, northwest Washington and British Columbia took stock of last

night's gales, rainstorms and flooding streams. Anxiety was expressed for the safety of Edward Cripe, 34, of Port Angeles, and Ted Roschert, of Grapeview, who left an elk hunting camp a mile and a half

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Jeffrey Opposed To Wade's Policy

PORTLAND, Oct. 28 - (AP) Third congressional distric Townsend plan adherents have not stopped fighting for a special session of the legislature, John Jeffrey, their chief, said today. Glen Wade of Pendleton, second district manager, previously said no further pressure would be brought upon Governor Martin, and Townsendites might use the initiative to get pension

"We are going to take off our coats, not our hats," Jeffrey said, in refutation of the statement and challenge of Wade's "right to speak for the third district." "I do not believe that the view

Noted Educator Dies

PALO ALTO, Calif., Oct. 28-P)-William Martin Proctor, 62 stanford university professor of education and regarded as an authority on vocational guidance and curriculum, died today after an illness of several weeks,

Storms Cause Great Damage; Flood in East Insists on Occupying 5 Northern Provinces

Stocks Bought Fight Shifts, Heavily Due to Foreign Area In new Peril Board's Action

Immediately; Shorts Scurry to Cover

Gains of \$1, Some Much as \$6 Are Recorded; Ruling Held Wise

NEW YORK, Oct. 28-(AP)-The federal reserve board stimulant to margin buying of securities found a willing patient today in the stock market and the prices of leading issues gained \$1 to \$4

or more a share. The board's action in lowering margin requirements for buyers from 55 to 40 per cent, and imposing a 50 per cent requirement for short selling, filled the stock exchange with buying orders at the opening of trading.

Some favorite issues rose \$6 or more in the first hour. Blocks inundated, schools were closed of 1000 to 15,000 shares changed hands as the "shorts," those who had sold stocks they didn't own in the expectation of further declines in prices, bought at the best price they could get to make one of the principal Japanese ob-

> Short Covering Demand Is Heavy

The "short covering" demand in some issues was so heavy it was 30 minutes or so before opened. Fifty families quit their homes ing prices could be determined. The first transaction in Chrysler was 10,000 shares at \$5 up from yesterday's close, and the opening sale of United States announced last night there was Steel was a block of 15,000 shares, ro \$4.

More than 1,000,000 shares changed owners in the first hour. The pace then quieted down, but buying resumed in the last hour and closing prices generally were not far under the highs for the

The change in the reserve board's policy on margin requirements was quickly approved in Wall street. It was regarded, however, as a factor for the short term improvement of the stock market, rather than an element for the long term betterment of business conditions generally.

The financial district seemed to feel that in the long run the market would follow the lead of business, and not business follow the market.

Find Last Bodies

-(AP)-Raising the death toll of an were removed from the mine tun-

Twelve other bodies had previously been removed. Five workers | that he wanted to make his list of came out of the mine alive. Attending physicians said Foreman Victor Raide, only survivor schedule might be ready for sub-

In Blasted Mine

explosion in the Evan Jones coal. mine Tuesday to 14, bodies of Pete Olson and Joe Lucas, miners, It to the utmost."

-(AP)-The tide of the great battle for Shanghai rolled westward to-Stimulant Is Effective day, bringing new perils to large sections of the international city in which many Americans and other foreigners have their homes. Victorious at Tazang and

Chapei, Japanese army and marine units were being steadily reinforced all along the northern bank of Soochow creek, the new front west of the international Apparently they were awaiting

the zero hour of an offensive

designed to drive the Chinese back to strongly entrenched new defense lines running through Hungiao, southwestern suburb which already was under Japanese artillery fire. The indicated area of the impending battle is a strip some five miles wide, from Soochow

creek on the north to the Whangpoo river on the south, including fine residences and country clubs. Some of this territory is inside the British defense lines. Along the bank of Soochow creek forces which had retreated from Tazang and Chapel, key

points of their old front north of Shanghai, were preparing for a determined stand in a maze of trenches. Hungiao airdrome miles southwest of Shanghai, was Brussels November 3 give interjectives. It was there a Japanese

naval officer and sailor were killed the night of August 9, a prelude to the Shanghai conflict. The Japanese command assigned its capture to marine units, so they could avenge their naval comrades.

Simple Schedule Of Rates Sought

May Be Uniform for City, Co-ops and Industry J. D. Ross States

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28. -(AP)-Administrator J. D. Ross said today he hoped to apply "about the simplest rate schedule you ever

saw" in the sale of power from Bonneville dam. He indicated municipalities, cooperatives and industries probably would be treated on the same

basis. The former securities commissioner, visiting federal power officials before returning to Washington state to take over his new task, said he believed rate schedules of the past had been made unnecessarily complicated. "Our job is distributing the

government's power," he explained. "We're not interested in giving special favors to any partic-ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Oct. 28 ular group or interest in the west. What we want most is a wide distribution of the power, so that all the people can get the use of

Ross, in response to a question, said he did not contemplate a single rate for all power sold, but rates as short as possible.

He expressed the belief the rate injured, had a good chance to re- mission to the federal power com-

Restoring German Colonies Demand Voiced by Mussolini

Benito Mussolini today celebrated for Germany. the 15th anniversary of fascism's of Germany's colonies at the nazi rise to power with an open dec- party conference at Nurnberg in laration for treaty revision that 1936. Concentrated in Africa and would give back Germany the Af- the western Pacific, they form an rican colonies stripped from her area six times greater than the at the end of the World war.
"Peace!" Mussolini declared.

vism be eliminated from Europe, starting with Spain. It is necessary that some clauses of the land.)

year of fascist power. But he

peace treaties be revised.
"It is necessary that a great people, the German people, have have an area almost six times that once more the place to which they of the present reich, are: the Car-Vandals Break Window

A stick of stove wood was hrown through a window of the in celebration of the 15th anniver-

ROME, Oct. 28.-(P)-Premier struggle for colonial possessions

present Germany in Europe.) The African colonies to which was the watchword for the 16th Mussolini referred are now governed under League of Nations mandates by Great Britain, "For a durable and fruite: France, Belgium and the union peace it is necessary that bolsoe- of South Africa and are German East Africa, German Southwest Africa, the Cameroons and Togo-

(Other former German colonfuehrer Adolf Hitler's renewed Pacific, New Zealand mandate.) | that winter's coming on.

United States Aid Welcomed Envoy Asserts

International Police for Neutral Zone Sought; Spokesman Heard

Cutting off China From Russia Frank Aim of Newest Proposal

PARIS, Oct. 28 - (AP) - A high Japanese source disclosed to the Associated Press today what were said to be the minimum conditions on which Japan was willing

to negotiate peace in China. This informant suggested interested powers, particularly the United States, start conversations looking toward an armistice, which he indicated the Japanese would like before intense winter cold begins in certain sections of

Japan, he said, was disposed to accept friendly conversations on peace in China and suggested the nine-power conference on the Chiested nations a mandate to sound out the Japanese and Chinese governments on their minimum terms. The Japanese terms were

said to be: 1. Temporary occupation by Japan of China's five northern

2. Creation of a neutral zone from which troops would be excluded and in which order would be maintained by an international police force of Japanese, American, British, French and Italian

Views of Army Are

Not Ascertained These terms, the Associated Press was informed, represented he views of Japanese diplomats in Europe and presumably those of the Tokyo government, although the views of the powerful Japanese army leaders were not ascertained.

The significant point was that Japan intended to keep her armies on a line to the south of China's five northern provinces. The frankly admitted object of this was to prevent Russia from sending troops to China through Mon-

The statement was considered important because it is known several delegations are going to Brussels with the realistic idea of trying to determine the minimum terms Japan would exact and the maximum conditions China would accept.

Non-High Budget Session Is Today

school district's annual taxpayers' meeting, at which a \$149,536.08 held at the courthouse at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. The budget was prepared recently by a citizen-director committee headed by E. G. Wiesner as chairman with John T. Bauman as secretary.

The budget calls for a total tax of \$94,382.40. Receipts other the budget at \$55,153.68, of which \$33,213.75 is the district's cash carryover from the 1936-37 school year and \$21,939.93 is listed as coming from other

sources. The expenditure budget of 149,536.08 is broken down as

Tuition, \$95,324; postage, stationery, \$6; printing, \$25; election expense, \$6; travel, \$150; clerical expense, \$25; warrant principal, \$50,000; warrant interest, \$3000: emergency, \$1900.08, Ernest Werner is chairman of the non-high school board and Mary L. Fulkerson as county su-

perintendent is ex-officio clerk. DALLADE B of TODAY

The Japanese are willing to thern regions are foregonebut possibly the reason they suggest that fighting cease may be found in the undoubted fact