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## LL KILLING ASE MAY END N GRAND JURY

ner's Jury Makes No ecommendation After 3-Hour Inquest

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Hear Testimony Over Death Of Cottage Grove Girl

ings and reports regarding the of Annie Laurie Wall, Cottage high school girl, who was killed automobile accident last week, n all probability, be placed be- he grand jury for further in- ation when that body assembles early fall, it was announced by District Attorney Donald Tuesday.

oroner's inquest was hed on the Monday evening, at Cottage conducted by Mr. Young and er Charles P. Poole. A total of tnesses was examined. Making ommendation, the coroner's jury er, returned the following ver-

, the Coroner's jury, duly em- d and sworn to investigate the of Annie Laurie Wall hereby at the said Annie Laurie Wall r death on the 30th day of June at (or near) 100 feet east of Limits on East Main, Lane y, Oregon, by auto collision be- Chevrolet 1936 car owned and by Joe Sorenson in which she iding and Model T Ford driven o. Blackmore and owned by J. ackmore.

ted at Cottage Grove, Lane y, Oregon, this 6th day of July, 1936.

igned) Roy E. Short, Foreman, Beidler, O. O. Veatch, W. W. man, A. C. Spriggs, Jesse Lan- Sr."

ee hours of questioning Monday ed several new factors in the although the questioners still definite knowledge of the speed ch the car driven by Joe Soren- n which Miss Wall was riding), raveling at the time of the nt.

t of the earlier questioning was up with witnesses to the wreck- n the last part of the evening, oung called actual participants accident.

**Sorenson Bought Liquor**

testimony said Sorensen, be- icking up Kenneth Safley, Virgil sberg, Wendell Carlyle, and the had purchased two bottles of in Cottage Grove. Sorenson, questioned regarding this, read- mitted the purchase.

ut a half hour previously, Gug- g had indicated that Sorenson t have had liquor," when ques- regarding the presence of liq- the car. He refused to answer ely either way, saying he t remember."

enson also admitted to having ned some of the liquor, but not explain the disappearance bottles following the accident.

**Companions Testify**

timony on the part of Sorenson's nions—Safley, Guggisberg, and —for the most part corroborat- enson's testimony regarding the of the car. Carlyle hesitated be-

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## BREVITIES

STATE

LSBORO, July 7.—(AP)—R. W. county relief committee chair- said today that Washington employment rolls were clear employables. The 250 remaining considered unemployable.

RTLAND, Ore., July 7.—(AP)— Benjamin D. Dagwell, bishop of piscopal diocese of Oregon, and P Paul Matthews of New Jer- began an auto tour of the Epis- churches of Oregon today.

RTLAND, Ore., July 7.—(AP)— ading engineers from all parts United States will convene July 15 to 18 for the 66th annual ntion of the American Society il Engineers.

TORIA, Ore., July 7.—(AP)— e chamber of commerce, point- t that this city is the oldest in rthwest and also is the north- rminus of the $25,000,000 Ore- ast highway, forwarded an in- n to President Roosevelt to here during his west coast trip fall.

AMATH FALLS, July 7.—(AP)— fighters from the Klamath for- tective association are battling

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## LABOR MAPS DRIVE ON STEEL!

Mapping a campaign for organization of 500,000 workers in the steel industry, four of the nation's most powerful labor leaders are shown here in Washington. Following the conference, John L. Lewis, driving force back of the unionization move, declared the campaign would be "strikeless" unless war was forced on labor by the steel chiefs. Left to right are Sidney Hillman, Amalgamated Clothing Workers' president; Lewis, Mine Workers' head; Philip Murray, Mine Workers' vice president; and John Brophy, director of the committee for industrial organization.

## LANDON REQUESTS ACT FOR SECURITY

TOPEKA, Kan., July 7.—(U.P.)—Gov. Alf M. Landon today asked a special session of the Kansas legislature to draft a social security constitutional amendment that would enable the state to participate in federal aid plans of either a democratic or republican administration.

The governor suggested the assembly confine itself to drawing up "merely a grant of power." Under provisions of the Kansas constitution the care of aged indigent or other handicapped persons now rests upon the counties.

The republican presidential nominee called the attention of the lawmakers to the fact that the platform of the republican party adopted at its national convention provides for a plan of social security different from the social security act adopted by congress."

"I do not deem this a fitting time," he added, "to enter into a discussion of the relative merits of the present act and the proposals set out in the republican platform."

Landon asked, indirectly an amendment which virtually would divide state and local responsibility in the care of the unfortunate. The session was called so that machinery for submitting the amendment to the people could be started.

## NEW BRIDGE OVER FALL CREEK NEED

Construction of a new county bridge across Big Fall creek on the road between Springfield and Lowell probably will be ordered in the near future it was announced Tuesday by county officials.

Due to the trucking of heavy logs along this road, the present bridge, erected 46 years ago, is no longer considered safe and the county court Tuesday placed a load limit of four tons on this bridge. However, it is expected the trucking will continue, necessitating the construction of a new bridge in the near future.

So long as the county order is in effect, trucking can continue, but it is done so at the risk of the company operating the trucks.

A new bridge of the truss type could be erected for approximately $3500, according to P. M. Morse, county engineer. Arthur Striker, county bridge superintendent, was making a complete inspection of the bridge Tuesday.

## Relief Work Closure No Help to Farmers

SALEM, Ore., July 7.—(U.P.)—Closing down of relief projects has apparently not relieved the shortage of seasoned farm labor, John E. Cooter, federal farm placement director, said today.

Berry pickers are in demand all over the state, with between 500 and 1000 needed at Gresham alone, Cooter said.

Meanwhile, WPA reopened its projects here, sending 320 men and 232 women back to work relief jobs.

## Italians Aviators Die After Ambush Attack

LONDON, July 7—(AP)—A Reuter's (British) news agency dispatch from Rome tonight said eight or nine Italian officers, including the noted flier Col. Antonio Locatelli, were killed from ambush when they slighted from a plane in Jimma province, Ethiopia.

## Galloway, Gilkey Coming To Answer Tax Protest

### Officials Will Appear Here Wednesday Noon To Speak To Eugene Realty Board

Charles V. Galloway, chairman of the state tax commission, and J. S. Gilkey, appraiser for the state tax commission, will be here from Salem Wednesday to speak at the meeting of the Eugene Realty board at 12 o'clock noon in the Seymour cafe. Mr. Gilkey is the appraiser who has been making the re-assessments for Eugene and Lane county.

The Eugene Realty board has invited the two visitors as its move to assist in clearing up the situation arising when several Eugene industrial taxpayers made protest that discrimination had been made against Lane county in the re-assessment work of the state tax commission.

Members of the Eugene chamber of commerce committee named to make investigation of the charges and suggest remedy if discrimination were found have been invited to attend the realtors meeting, too.

In meeting Monday evening the chamber of commerce directors approved the committee named, also the one change in personnel brought about when G. A. Harnden said he would be out of the city the latter part of the month and unable to work with the group. J. D. Hamlin, vice-president of the Eugene Fruit Growers' association, was named in Mr. Harnden's place. The committee as named now includes: Hugh E. Rosson, chairman; C. J. Kelly, J. D. Hamlin, H. L. Edmunds, F. M. Cashman, and John Jay Rogers.

This committee is to hold its first session at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday when it will organize and outline a procedure for its work. Mr. Rosson, chairman, stated Tuesday he did not care to say anything until after the committee had held its meeting.

## FRENCH RIGHTISTS AGAINST VIOLENCE

PARIS, July 7.—(AP)—Ballots—not riots—will be the rightist method of seeking an "orderly conquest of power," Col. Francois de la Rocque declared today.

The leader of the nationalist "social" party, created from the ruins of the dissolved Croix de Feu league, denied communist charges that his followers were planning bloody demonstrations.

De la Rocque's declaration followed a disorderly demonstration near the Arch of Triumph Sunday in which approximately 200 persons were injured in fighting between rightists and police.

**Senate Votes Confidence**

PARIS, July 7.—(U.P.)—The senate voted confidence in the government's internal policies today, 250 to 1.

Rogers Salengro, interior minister, defending the government's internal policy, said energetic measures had been taken against foreign agitators and fomentors of the recent serious strikes, having made 1,303 arrests, 813 of them in Paris, and expelled 1,100.

## Chinese Nationalists To Form War Policy

NANKING, China, July 7.—(U.P.)—China's elder statesmen and younger nationalist leaders gathered in Nanking today to decide whether Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek shall order his mobilized armies into action to crush defiance by independent southern warlords.

They converged on the capital for Friday's formal opening of the annual session of the central executive committee of the Kuomintang (nationalist party).

## Knox's Columnist Favors Roosevelt

CHICAGO, July 7.—(U.P.)—Howard Vincent Perrie, columnist on the Chicago Daily News, published by the republican candidate for vice-president, Frank Knox, announced Monday he is "for" the democratic candidate, President Roosevelt.

His stand, he said, "is an emotional reaction, pure and simple."

"After all, the fellow still packs a wallop; and a philosophy of government is more important that a program."

## Producers of Milk Buck Control Body

SALEM, Ore., July 7.—(U.P.)—W. E. Savage and Bruce Fox, Salem milk producers, today filed a suit in Marion county circuit court seeking to have orders of the Oregon milk control board setting production quotas for grade A dairymen set aside on constitutional grounds.

## PING PONG PLAYERS TO TANGLE FRIDAY

The all-city ping pong tournament, scheduled for the afternoon of July 10th, at the Lincoln school grounds will be a straight elimination affair, officials announced in publishing the rules Monday. Each playground will be entitled to two representatives in each division; junior and senior boys, and junior and senior girls. Junior divisions are to be thirteen years of age or under, and senior divisions are to be 14 to 17 inclusive. Regular ping pong rules, with one minor exception, will be used. Points will be awarded for first and second place in each group; five points for first place, and three points for second. For the boys division, R. L. Henagin will be judge and G. A. Sprague will judge the girls tourneys.

Tryouts for the local kite-flying contest will be held Saturday, July 11, at the fairgrounds. The finals are to be run off at 10 a. m. July 18 on the same field.

## Syndicate Buys Last Salem Water Bonds

SALEM, Ore., July 7.—(U.P.)—The city of Salem sold $1,000,000 in water bonds last night at an average interest rate of 3.875 per cent, to a syndicate of 13 bond houses, who submitted the lone bid. The bond issue, to mature in 10 to 40 years, will provide funds for completion of a new water supply system.

The city must pay .625 of one per cent higher average interest than on a similar $1,190,000 water bond issue sold a year ago.

## Chinese Air Officers Desert; Take Planes

HONG KONG, July 7.—(AP)—Twenty officers of the southwestern Chinese air force deserted today, taking with them 12 bombing and fighting planes. The ships were flown from Siuchow in Kwangtung province to Changsha in Hunan.

## FARLEY TAKES LEAVE; HEADS CAMPAIGN JOB

### Roosevelt Approves Action To Switch Postmaster General To Race

### SERVES WITHOUT PAY

### Howes To Assume Cabinet Duties Until Election Time Passes

WASHINGTON, July 7.—(U.P.)—President Roosevelt announced today that his postmaster general, James A. Farley, will take a leave of absence beginning Aug. 1 from the cabinet to devote his entire time to directing the democratic political campaign.

Farley had been criticized by republicans because he held simultaneously the posts of postmaster general and chairman of the democratic national committee. He retains the latter post, together with chairmanship of the New York state democratic committee.

President Roosevelt said the leave of absence will continue until after the political campaigns.

**No Pay For Farley**

He will receive no pay while on leave.

Mr. Roosevelt explained that the leave would not begin until Aug. 1, so that the postmaster general could clear up certain fiscal statements relating to postoffice department operations.

William W. Howes, first assistant postmaster general, will be the acting postmaster general during the absence of Farley.

**Prediction Comes True**

It has been predicted for weeks that Farley would take the leave of absence instead of resigning outright. Agreement as to his course of action was reached yesterday in a two-hour and a half White House conference.

Ever since he boosted Franklin D. Roosevelt to the presidency, Farley has been one of the most prominent political targets of anti-New Dealers.

## Steiwer Will Lead GOP Fight in West For Senate Seats

CHICAGO, July 7.—(AP)—Sen. Frederick Steiwer of Oregon, keynoter of the Cleveland convention, will direct the republican campaign to win senate seats in the west this fall, it was announced today.

John D. M. Hamilton, chairman of the republican national committee, told interviewers Steiwer had been appointed vice-chairman of the republican senatorial committee, with that assignment.

The committee is headed by Sen. John C. Townsend, Jr., of Delaware. Both he and Sen. Steiwer conferred with Hamilton yesterday in the new national headquarters here.

## Danzig Renounces League Relations

DANZIG, July 7.—(U.P.)—Danzig announced officially today its severance of relations with the League of Nations, which has been nominal guardian of the free city after it was separated from Germany at the end of the world war.

It was announced the senate of the free city and other public officials henceforth would ignore Sean Lester, of the Irish Free State, who is League high commissioner here, and would have no official dealings with him.

## Guards Patrol Riot Areas in California

SANTA ANA, Cal., July 7.—(U.P.)—Hundreds of newly-deputized guards today patrolled in orange groves near here after a day of violence which led authorities to consider asking the governor to call out national guardsmen.

## WEATHER NEWS

More cloudiness says the weather man, the forecast following:

**OREGON:** Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday, afternoon thunderstorms in mountains of east portion; not much change in temperature; moderate northwest wind off coast.

**LOCAL STATISTICS:** Minimum temperature, Tuesday, 47 degrees; maximum temperature, Monday, 79 degrees; stage of Willamette river at 7 a. m. Tuesday in Eugene, -.1 foot; wind, northwest.

**SIUSLAW TIDES:** Wednesday, high, 2:27 a. m., 3:37 p. m.; low, 9:14 a. m., 9:37 p. m. Thursday, high, 3:18 a. m., 4:16 p. m.; low, 10:02 a. m., 10:31 p. m. Friday, high, 4:15 a. m., 4:58 p. m.; low, 10:33 p. m.

# Worst Crop Failure In U.S. Feared As Mercury Soars; AAA Hurries Relief Plans

## Soil Conservation Plan To Be Altered To Aid Farmers

### 3-Point Program Will Change Many Crop Classifications

WASHINGTON, July 7.—(AP)—Modification of the soil conservation program to encourage "the widest possible conservation of forage" in the Midwestern drought area was announced today by the AAA.

AAA officials said the modifications would apply to officially designated emergency drought areas to be named later this week, principally in North Dakota, Montana and Wyoming.

The change was made, they added, to preserve all available forage for livestock feed and to encourage the planting of forage and feed crops for use during the coming fall and winter.

**Farrell Recommends**

George E. Farrell, western regional director, recommended the changes after an inspection tour of the drought areas.

The modifications announced were:

1. Farmers will be permitted to cut soil depleting crops (including sorghums and small grains, but not corn) and annual legumes, for hay or pasture use. Under existing regulations crops in this classification must be plowed under or allowed to stand with reduction of benefit payments the penalty for violation.

2. Farmers will be permitted to cut nurse crops which previously could be pastured only or clipped green. This provision covers legumes or annual grasses seeded with nurse crops.

3. Planting of emergency forage and feed crops now for fall and winter would be permitted on any land on the farm without changing the land-use classifications.

This was done, it was explained, by changing the classification of such crops which under existing regulations have been classified as soil depleting.

## COURT SCRAPS TAX COMMISSION BILL

SALEM, July 7.—(AP)—The Oregon supreme court today quashed the powers of the tax supervising and conservation commission, which has operated in Multnomah county for the past 15 years, by declaring the act creating the commission unconstitutional.

Justice Harry Belt, in a 15-page opinion, declared the powers of the commission to reject or reduce items when the budget estimates of the levying body are not in excess of any constitutional or statutory limitation was "an unlawful delegation of legislative authority."

The opinion affirmed Judge Fred W. Wilson in the suit brought by the city of Portland against the supervising commission and Multnomah county officers after the commission had rejected items totaling about $662,000.

The chief action protested by the city was the rejection of a 12½ per cent raise in the salaries of city officials, which amounted to more than $400,000.

The opinion was unanimous, but Chief Justice Campbell and Justice Bailey did not sit in the case.

## Ruth Bryan Owen To Marry Officer

COPENHAGEN, July 7—(AP)—The mother of Boerge Rohde, 42, a captain in King Christian's bodyguard, announced today her son shortly would be married to Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen, United States minister to Denmark.

WASHINGTON, July 7.—(AP)—Madame Minister Ruth Bryan Owen would not lose her citizenship by marriage to a Danish captain—and so presumably would not have to resign her post as American envoy to Denmark.

## Second of Siamese Twins Succumbs

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., July 7.—(U.P.)—The second of the Siamese twin girls born to 23-year-old Mrs. Wesley Glick died this afternoon.

The other died a few minutes after birth yesterday.

## AT A GLANCE!

(By United Press)

**Northwest agricultural regions appear doomed to unsurpassed crop failure.**

**Burning sun shrivels crops; insect plagues complete the havoc.**

**More than 100,000 farm families left destitute.**

**Cattle and other livestock dying by thousands of hunger and thirst; pastures are shriveled, water holes dried up.**

**Temperatures soar to record highs of 118 and 119 degrees. Weather forecasters see no immediate relief.**

**Administration leaders in Washington prepare to pump millions of dollars into stricken regions to relieve distress and save crops and livestock.**

**Department of agriculture officials report drought "worse than 1934."**

## UNCLE SAM TO AID WORK ON ROUTE F

With assurance of aid from the WPA and resettlement administration officials of Oregon, Lane county was assured of a passable road over Route F by next spring, county officials said here Tuesday upon their return from Portland where they conferred with government officials on the project.

WPA officials promised additional men for Camp Lane as well as more machinery, thus making it possible to complete the grade of the route from Eugene to the east portal of the proposed tunnel through the coast range by early fall.

Resettlement officials agreed to place men of Camp Mapleton at work on the project from the west side, up Knowles creek, as soon as summer projects have been completed.

Thus, by fall there will be approximately 400 more men working on the project with the likelihood that the grade work can be completed by the following spring.

This will mean a fair road from Eugene to Mapleton via the Knowles creek-Turner creek route, giving valley residents a route to the coast approximately 17 miles shorter than the present Siuslaw highway. A temporary road over the mountain will connect the east and west grades of the route, to enable passage over the highway prior to the completion of the tunnel. This tunnel will be 1700 feet in length and it is believed possible some work on this project will be underway this winter, County Judge Fred Fisk said Tuesday.

With the judge in Portland where other members of the county court, P. M. Morse, county engineer, V. H. Todd, WPA engineer for this district, and the chamber of commerce road committee consisting of Stanley R. Stevenson, Walter Ransom and Clarence Simon.

Excellent progress is being made on the grade east of the portal of the tunnel, Mr. Todd reported Tuesday.

## NATIONALS BEST AMERICANS, 4-3

BOSTON, July 7.—(AP)—The National league emerged with its first triumph in four all-star ball games with the American league today, winning 4 to 3, before the smallest crowd that has yet witnessed the annual classic.

A pair of two-run spurts, the first off Bob Grove in the second inning, and the next with Schoolboy Rowe pitching in the fifth, gave the Nationals a margin that they were hard-pressed to protect in the last three frames.

Lou Gehrig's home run in the seventh touched off a three-run rally by the Americans that knocked Curt Davis, Cub righthander, from the box, but Lon Warneke stepped in to stop the fireworks.

Warneke's pitching saved the day for the Nationals after Dizzy Dean and Carl Hubbell had held the Americans runless for the first six innings. Dean, at top form, faced only nine men in his three inning trick while Hubbell yielded only two-base hits.

Dean was credited with the Nationals' first triumph while Grove was charged with the defeat.

## Crops Wither, Stock Dying In Midwest; Prices Go Up

### Hordes of Insects Add To Damage; Skies Still Cloudless

CHICAGO, July 7.—(U.P.)—A white, unclouded sun burning up grain in the field, drying water holes, killing cattle, transformed the wheat and corn and oats of the great plains into priceless commodities today and threatened a crop failure unsurpassed in the memories of pioneers.

Temperatures on the barren, brown prairies of the Northwest soared to 116, 118, then 119 degrees under the destroying sun, killing the last hope of thousands of farmers that they would have anything to sell in the markets at harvest time or even anything to feed gaunt cattle already starving in their pastures.

Grains became more precious as each hour passed without rain. Only normal conditions in other cattle regions averted an immediate jump in meat prices as pasturage and feed burned out into the Northwest. Retail food prices began to follow the wholesale markets upward.

**100,000,000 Bushels Lost**

At least 100,000,000 bushels of wheat have withered and fallen in three months of rainless heat. Cattle are starving. Farmers already poverty-stricken face a worse fate during the long winter months, when they must rely on income from this summer's crops.

The drought is most severe in the Dakotas, Nebraska, Montana and parts of Minnesota have felt its worst effects. In scattered sections, the area from the Rockies to the Alleghenies and as far south as Arkansas and Oklahoma has felt the effects of sub-normal rainfall.

The wheat farmer's situation was considered hopeless. At a time when the spring crop usually is being harvested, grain stalks are less than knee high. Between the rows is brown, cracked earth, dry as dust. The only saving factor is that normal wheat crops are reported in sections outside the stricken area.

**Pasturage Hopeless**

The pasturage situation is desperate — probably hopeless. Grazing fields are burned dry. Livestock owners attempted to ship their cattle outside the drought area, but lost money in doing so. Small grains and corn are too valuable to cut for feed.

The combined insect plagues and drought struck at every crop. In the eastern end of the drought area, Michigan, Ohio and Indiana experienced severe damage. Rains saved the valuable fruit crops of southern Michigan, but the central sections, where potatoes and beans are principal crops, suffered without moisture.

**Drought Area Spreads**

The worst of the drought has spread east from the Dakotas into Minnesota. Small sections of the state were ravaged by grasshoppers, and wheat and grain fields are beginning to feel the worst effects.

The only hope for the few remaining crops was an immediate, heavy drenching rain. It must be heavy enough to soak into the soil, where wells as deep as 60 feet have gone dry. It must be heavy enough to drive out the great insect armies, and last long enough to make up for three months of desert condition.

## From the Headlines

By Deacon Richmond

**"Oregonian Makes Travesty of Baptism"**

It is a bit unseemly for a great and powerful paper to represent religious rites as some outlandish caper and, with subtile innuendo, debase its foremost pages with a travesty on customs that have stood throughout the ages.

As we approach election, we expect to see the news expose a bit of bias, according to its views but when they touch religion, regardless of the sect, we could wish that any paper would always show respect, for though man's religious notions show a great variety, they all of them originate in deepest piety.

The humor's pretty broad, indeed, when any paper tries to make a joke of ritual, where honest folks baptise, for it has a depth of meaning and it goves the soul contentment, and this travesty upon it will evoke some just resentment.