

Daladier's Successor Runs Into Trouble

Faulty Truck Condition Said Accident Cause

Accused Man Admits Drinking With Friend Later Killed In Crash

Tracy, on trial for manslaughter in circuit court, on Wednesday afternoon, admitted that he was able to control the truck which he was driving at the time. He said the steering apparatus and brakes were defective. Tracy was accused of being drunk at the time and was afterward arrested on a drunken driving charge. He pleaded guilty in justice court and later withdrew this plea and entered a plea of not guilty.

Tracy was the first witness for the defense after the state had called about 11 o'clock and Hale Thompson, defense attorney, had called six more witnesses before the jury. It was thought the case would perhaps go to the jury late in the afternoon.

Wine Drunk

Tracy testified as to the circumstances prior to the accident while he admitted that he and several companions had been drinking wine that day, he maintained that he was able to control the truck, which is owned by Mrs. Moore, on whose farm he had been working. He said on the day of the accident he and Mrs. Moore had been drinking wine and that after returning to the Moore farm and after Mrs. Moore had eaten dinner, he took the truck and his wife and went to the Moore farm nearby. Here, he offered drinks to Compton and his brother George and they drank from the bottle. They drove to a neighboring farm and all three continued to drink.

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Taxpayers Favor

Motion to encourage organization of a group in Lane county, similar to those functioning through the Oregon Taxpayers' Association, was passed at the meeting of the Eugene Realty Association, Thursday noon. The motion was passed following a talk by George Buchanan of Corvallis, president of the state organization, and remarks by O. K. DeWitt, secretary of the Marion County Taxpayers' association.

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Cresswell Approves School Reorganization

CRESSWELL, March 21.—(AP)—Reorganization of the Union school district No. 12 at Cresswell was approved by voters in six districts concerned at their meeting Wednesday. The result of the voting in the districts is: District 1—yes, 15, no, 9; District 2—yes, 10, no, 6; District 3—yes, 2, no, 2; District 4—yes, 124, no, 35; District 5—yes, 11, no, 10; District 6—yes, 1, no, 7.

Spring Suggestions

Hand cleaning is in season, which means trash must be cleaned away.

Flowers are renewing themselves so should homes. Bright colors will match the new interiors which are being put in indoors.

Disinfectant furniture need not be discarded; it can be renewed.

The time to help you keep your home clean, turn to the Want Ad.

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HIGH OVER TOWERING MT. RAINIER was the Boeing-built "Stratoclipper" when this photograph was taken shortly after it left the Seattle factory. It arrived in Brownsville, Tex. Thursday for delivery to the Pan-American airways. The giant ship will be used in U. S.-South American service.

Income Taxes Up 31 Per Cent

Collections Said Well Ahead Of FDR Estimate

WASHINGTON, March 21.—(AP)—Secretary Morgenthau said today that preliminary estimates of annual income tax collections were running 31.2 per cent ahead of last year and "comfortably ahead" of President Roosevelt's budget estimate.

The treasury secretary said at a press conference that telegraphic reports from regional collection offices showed collection of \$621,000,000 of income taxes in the first 20 days of March, compared with \$473,000,000 in the same period last year.

Morgenthau declined to say by what margin the collections would exceed budget estimates, which are made only on an annual and not a monthly basis, but added that there was "not a chance" of the excess equalling the \$460,000,000 of additional revenue asked by the president to pay for emergency national defense costs and to help keep the treasury under its \$43,000,000,000 statutory debt limit.

Alaska Eyed For Finns

TOLEDO, Ore., March 21.—(AP)—A Finnish refugee settlement in Alaska was proposed today by the North Lincoln chamber of commerce.

Expectant Mother of Five Babies Gets Extra Care

MIAMI, Fla., March 21.—(AP)—Enriched by an agreement that provides funds and medical care, Mrs. Katherine Callahan, who hopes to become a mother of quintuplets, rested today in a hospital suite far more luxurious than her one-room, \$2.50-a-week apartment.

But she was not a willing patient. Her physician, Dr. Arthur W. Wood, who earlier confirmed that X-ray photographs apparently showed five distinct heads of unborn babies, had to persuade the mother that a period of rest was necessary.

"I'm not sick," she asserted, and demanded to be permitted to join her husband, Emory, 30-year-old furniture factory woodworker who earns \$15 weekly.

Today the Miami Herald, whose owner, John S. Knight, placed the Callahans under contract for exclusive publication rights of photographs and news, planned to lease a new home for them where nursing and medical attention would be constantly available.

The Herald's agreement pro-

Smoking Tree To Be Axed

RALEIGH, N. C., March 21.—(AP)—A 100-foot oak in Capitol square that breathes and smokes tree trunks in the wind. A cigarette stuck into the opening puffs slightly as the tree "exhales."

Crucifixion Is Theme Of Friday Services

The story of the Crucifixion will be the theme for services to be held in Eugene churches in observance of Good Friday. The union service sponsored by the Eugene Ministerial association will be held at the First Baptist church from 1 to 3 p. m., and will have as its subject "The Seven Last Words of the Cross."

For the first word, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do," Rev. E. J. Fulton will give the scripture. Rev. Herman Smith, the meditation, and Central Presbyterian church, the prayer and special music. For the second word, "Verily, I say unto thee, today thou shalt be with me in Paradise," Dr. S. Earl Childers will give the scripture and Rev. F. B. Witmer, the meditation.

The third word is, "Woman, behold thy son! Behold thy mother," and Rev. A. J. Harms will have the scripture. Rev. Frank S. Beitel the meditation, and the First Christian church, the prayer and special music. Dr. Norman K. Taylor is to have the scripture and Rev. Frank L. Cook, the meditation, for the fourth word, "My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me?" For the fifth word, "I thirst," Rev. Charles E. Funk will have the scripture, Rev. Williston Wirt, the meditation, and the First Baptist church.

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Highway Commission Has Routine Session

PORTLAND, March 21.—(AP)—The State Highway commission whipped through a routine session of bid opening today after seating Herman Oliver, John Day.

Oliver, formerly a board of higher education member, was appointed by Governor Sprague to succeed E. B. Aldrich of Pendleton, who resigned.

Among low bids on road projects was:

Lane county—Grade widening, surfacing and culling 3.75 miles of Low Pass section of Siuslaw highway, Fisher Brothers, Oregon City, \$61,493.

Action Sought

Members of the Lane county court and representatives of the chamber of commerce highway committee were in Portland Thursday to attend session of the commission and to ask for action on the new route through the city.

Besides Judge Clinton Hurd, Commissioner, Walter Holland and Cal Young, in attendance at the meeting were Ed Turnbull, chairman of the chamber committee, Fred Stickle, president of the chamber, Howard Merriam, and Mayor Elisha Large.

Dam Contractors Arrive In City

Preparations Made To Start Fern Ridge Job

C. A. Williams and W. H. Woods, representatives of the Morrison-Knudsen Construction company of Boise, Idaho, were in Eugene Thursday making advance preparations for the beginning of work on the Fern Ridge dam.

The Idaho firm was low bidder on the project March 5. Formal notice to proceed will be given by the army engineers within the next few days, it is believed.

M. G. Kennedy, who will be resident manager for the company in Eugene, is expected to arrive in the near future. Mr. Williams will be superintendent of construction and Mr. Woods, chief accountant.

The Fern Ridge dam is the first of the seven dams contemplated in the Willamette river basin flood control project to be taken over by a private contractor. It will require an earthen fill of approximately one million cubic yards, to hold back flood waters of the Long Tom river and Coyote creek, northwest of Eugene.

Work on two other sites is progressing, according to the engineers. At Cottage Grove rock core samples are now being taken by a 36-inch calyx drill. The drilling is part of the exploratory work on the foundation area.

Explosion, Fire Damage Plywood Firm

WILLAMINA, Ore., March 21.—(AP)—An explosion in a dust bin fired and seriously damaged a section of the Pacific Plywood corporation plant and injured one employee today.

Three hundred workers at one of the largest plywood operations on the coast and pumping equipment from Sheridan and McMinnville confined the flames to the large boiler and power house.

Kenneth Epley, owner of the Willamina weekly newspaper, reported the fire, although still smoldering in sawdust, was under control.

The Pacific Plywood corporation's large Aberdeen, Wash., plant was consumed by fire several weeks ago.

Howard Knokey, a workman, was forced to leap from a high scaffolding to escape the rapidly spreading fire. His arm and leg were fractured.

The damaged building covered about a city block. Investigators reported their frame and concrete construction prevented the fire from spreading to other sections of the plants.

Man Is Injured In Car, Truck Crash

L. L. Beezley, 60, living at Bailey Hill, was severely injured when a car in which he was riding and which was being towed crashed into a fuel truck on Route F highway two miles west of Eugene at the intersection of the Bailey Hill road Thursday morning. The truck was proceeding west when the car being towed ran into it. Mr. Beezley suffered a broken arm and bad contusions.

Youth Arrested In San Diego Faces Cottage Grove Charge

SAN DIEGO, Calif., March 21.—(AP)—Arrested today while asleep in an auto, William Barton McCoy, 19, was held in jail on charges of burglary in Long Beach and Goleta, Calif., and car theft in Cottage Grove, Ore. Detective Fred Westerdahl reported.

British-Bound Ships Are Sunk By Nazi Powder

Criticism Of War Policies Rumbles Through Parliament

LONDON, March 21.—(AP)—Eight merchant ships, six of them flying the flags of Scandinavian neutrals and two the Union Jack, were counted today as new sea casualties, sunk or damaged by bombs in the past 48 hours.

Danish shipping bore the brunt of the widened German offensive, losing three vessels. It was feared 30 men had gone down with the ships.

The 2,468-ton British steamer Albionic burned after being hit by an incendiary bomb and another British ship, her name undisclosed, was bombed last night off the southeast coast and five of her crew killed.

Parliament recessed meanwhile for the Easter holidays amid growing reports that Prime Minister Chamberlain would reconstruct his cabinet during the interval before sittings are resumed April 2.

Criticism Voiced

The house of commons sessions ended with outspoken criticism of two cabinet bigwigs, Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir John Simon and Lord Privy Seal Sir Samuel Hoare, voiced by Geoffrey Mander of the liberal opposition.

"It is widely felt throughout the country that the chancellor of the exchequer and the lord privy seal are heavy liabilities both at home and abroad," he said.

DNB, official German news agency, said nine ships sunk totaled 42,000 tons and two others of 11,000 tons were damaged badly. The agency acknowledged that one German plane had failed to return.

Targets Eyed

Reports persisted that Germany's submarine nests and shipyards in the land-locked Baltic sea would be probable objects of attack.

"The snowball begins to roll," commented a newspaper columnist. "It will leave rather a bloody track."

The Baltic is sheltered from the North sea by Denmark.

Watches along England's southeast coast reported that a mysterious bomber, believed to be German, dropped white, orange, red and green flares during the night.

Intense activity of British coastal defense forces last night led to reports that German planes were approaching but there were no verified reports of plane visits to the coast.

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A. W. Metzger To Talk To Chambermen Friday

A. W. Metzger, chief of the state division of foods and dairies, will be guest speaker at the chamber of commerce public affairs luncheon Friday in the Osburn hotel.

Mr. Metzger, assistant to J. D. Mickle, state director of agriculture, will speak on the relation of his division to the communities of Oregon.

In addition to general state conditions he will speak specifically on Lane county, one of the leading dairying counties in the state.

Charles P. Poole of the Moose lodge will speak briefly on the plans being made for the annual state and northwest convention of the Moose lodge. Between 2500 and 3000 delegates are expected to attend.

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By EARL B. STEELE
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Reynaud Faces Internal Politics

Broad Coalition Government Drawn To Include Former Chief, Socialists

By JOHN H. MARTIN
PARIS, March 21.—(AP)—Paul Reynaud, France's financial trouble-shooter, formed a broad coalition cabinet today to replace the resigned ministry of Edouard Daladier but immediately ran into internal political difficulties.

Even though he named Daladier national defense minister to step up the war against Germany and appeased the socialists by including three in his ministry, these three developments struck the new premier-foreign minister before his first cabinet meeting tomorrow:

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Weather News

More bright warm sunshine, Thursday, sent Eugeneans scurrying about for that all important Easter shopping. The forecast follows:

OREGON: Generally fair to night and Friday, but becoming cloudy west portion; local valley fogs west portion in morning; little change in temperature; gentle east to south wind off the coast.

AIRPORT BUREAU RECORD: Minimum temperature, Thursday morning, 35.4 degrees; maximum temperature, Wednesday, 67.8 degrees; wind, at noon, Thursday, northeast.

Sisalaw Tides

	Friday	Saturday
High	11:19 a. m.	5:47 p. m.
Low	5:23 a. m.	11:53 p. m.
High	12:15 p. m.	6:32 p. m.
Low	6:14 a. m.	12:54 a. m.
High	1:24 a. m.	1:04 p. m.
Low	7:03 a. m.	7:17 p. m.
High	2:34 a. m.	2:17 p. m.
Low	8:12 a. m.	8:01 p. m.