

# RUM RUNNERS TO FIGHT BACK

## DEATH OF BABIES TO BE PROBED BOOZE FLEET

### SUBSTITUTED INFANT DIES IN HOSPITAL

Children Left In Care of  
Baby Home Starved Say  
Nurses; Proprietor Is  
Held Under Bond.

New York, May 8.—(A. P.)—A ten months old boy inmate of a baby hospital, the proprietor of which, Mrs. Helen Auguste Giesen-Volk, is held in \$35,000 bail for alleged baby substitution, died today after having been removed to another hospital. An autopsy was ordered by the city authorities, who said they had received reports that numerous infants consigned to the woman's care had died of malnutrition.

Agents of the society for the prevention of cruelty to children said various nurses who had been employed in the place informed them that as many as twelve infants had died similarly in one month.

Mrs. Giesen-Volk, who is to be examined tomorrow, was arrested on a complaint of William Angerer of the Bronx, who charged her with having substituted a four months old child for his ten months old son, Stephen. The Angerer child was placed in the woman's charge last February after Angerer's wife had suffered a nervous breakdown.

Child welfare officials and attaches of the district attorney's office who inspected the hospital said they found 13 infants and five other children there under the care of one nurse and a servant girl who carried on a card index system listed the names and other data of 15 children, the officials said it was impossible to identify any of the inmates, as no identification cards had been attached to them. For this reason, they said, the child who died today could not be identified.

They said they found that a number of the infant inmates were suffering from various ailments and that others displayed unmistakable signs of malnutrition.

Assistant District Attorney White said the charge against the woman probably would be changed to homicide.

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### Airplane and Pilots Lost in Far North

Fairbanks, Alaska, May 8.—(A. P.)—An airplane carrying three persons which Wednesday made the farthest north flight recorded, was today lost between Rampart, 80 miles northwest of Fairbanks, and Brooks, 50 miles east of Rampart. A storm was raging when the plane came to grief on its way back here.

A party was out today hunting the airplane.

### LEVENS TO LAY ELKS' TEMPLE CORNERSTONE

William S. Levens, state prohibition commissioner, has been selected by the Salem Elks to deliver the main address on the occasion of the laying of the corner stone of the new Elks temple here on Thursday evening, May 28. Levens was district deputy grand exalted ruler for Oregon and in that capacity dedicated the present Elks building when it was dedicated about 30 years ago.

Percy Young of Albany, who is now district deputy grand exalted ruler for Oregon youth, will conduct the ritualistic work at the corner stone laying for the new temple, and Charles R. Archard, ex chairman of the building committee, will preside over the program. The members of the lodge will assemble at the lodge rooms at 6:45 o'clock, and leaving at 7 o'clock will march to the new temple on State street with the band leading. If available at that time the porch of the new building will be used by the officers and speakers of the lodge. If it is not available a platform for the purpose will be built. Immediately after the program the members will return to the old temple for the regular lodge session.

Statistics and other literature that is to be placed in the corner stone will be collected by Harry J. Wiedmer, secretary of the lodge.

### MRS. SHEPHERD OUT ON \$5000 BAIL

Chicago, May 8.—Mrs. Julia Graf Shepherd, charged with aiding her husband, William D. Shepherd, to fill their ward, William Nelson McClintock, orphan millionaire, and his mother, Mrs. Emma Nelson McClintock, has been released on \$5000 bond pending grand jury action.

Although she had been given until today to furnish bond and had been released on her own word late yesterday she appeared before Judge Jacob Hopkins, criminal court justice, while Mrs. Claudine M. Peterson, a friend, scheduled \$15,000 in real estate on the \$2000 bond.

Missions price—just five cents with the accompanying coupon.  
"Come early," is the advice that has been given to all youngsters.  
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### PREJUDICE ALLEGED IN BANK CASE

State Banking Superintendent Alleges McMahon Prejudiced; Demurrer Is Also Filed.

Frank C. Bramwell, state superintendent of banks, has filed an affidavit of prejudice against Judge L. H. McMahon of the circuit court here, in the action brought against McMahon by George Putnam, publisher of the Capital Journal, to compel Bramwell to return to the offices of the banking department from Portland to Salem. Bramwell contends that McMahon is prejudiced against him. Under the law the affidavit cannot be contested and it will be necessary for Judge Percy R. Kelly, presiding judge of the court here, either to hear the case himself, or appoint a judge from another district to hear it.

L. H. Van Winkle, attorney general, and Sidney J. Graham of Portland, attorneys for Bramwell, today filed a demurrer to the complaint, declaring facts sufficient to constitute action are lacking. While Bramwell was to appear today and said he knew nothing of the possibility of merger between the Chicago Rock Island and Pacific Railroad with the Southern Pacific and I have hopes that after June 1 when the jurisdiction of such matters on that line is changed, it may be done.

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### TALK MERGER OF ESPEE AND ROCK ISLAND

Consolidation Discussed Before Board of Rock Island; Sproule Denies Knowledge of Plan.

Chicago, May 8.—Consolidation of the Chicago Rock Island and Pacific Railroad and the Southern Pacific was discussed as a possibility late yesterday by J. E. Gorman, president of the Rock Island in a talk before the annual meeting of share holders here.

"There has been much talk of such a consolidation," he said, "and the managements of both systems have contended for some time that it would be logical. Should the merger come the Rock Island would be a great beneficiary. I have tried for some time to effect a stronger operating arrangement with the Southern Pacific and I have hopes that after June 1 when the jurisdiction of such matters on that line is changed, it may be done."

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### Changes in State Court Procedure Conference's Aim

Portland, Or., May 8.—Lawyers and jurists from all parts of the state assembled here today to discuss with the judicial council, named as the result of action by the last legislature, various suggested changes in court procedure.

Local courts were closed and general legal business was set aside today. The session will end with a public address by Dean John H. Wigmore, of the Northwestern university law school, tonight.

Early developments indicated that the chief discussion would center about the proposal to adopt, for state courts, the practice, now used in federal courts, of having the judge, instead of the attorneys, question prospective members of the jury.

The discussion was expected to cover several other important points including:

Formation of uniform rules for all the seventeen circuit courts of the state.

Whether appeals to the supreme court should be prefaced by concise statements showing the reason and justification for the appeal.

Whether stipulations for additional time for hearing cases on appeal should be limited to 30 days.

Whether decisions of lower courts should be affirmed without lengthy discussion on the part of supreme justices in cases where previous decisions cover the same points.

The session opened by presentation of a portrait of the late Justice (Continued on Page Seven)

### \$20,000,000 STATE BONUS FUNDS USED

Loans Totalling \$15,188,900  
And Cash Settlements  
of \$4,721,763 Made Under Act of 1921.

The total number of applications received by the ex-service men's state aid commission since the creation of the bonus and loan fund by the legislature of 1921 is 4,112, according to a statement by Major W. B. Simpson, secretary of the commission. Of this number 172 have been filed by Spanish-American war veterans who have elected to receive loans in the aggregate of \$430,000. Application of the benefits of the act to veterans of the Spanish war is a new amendment which becomes effective May 28. Their initial applications, however, are now being examined.

The statement by Major Simpson shows that a total of 21,869 cash bonuses have been paid under the act, amounting to \$4,721,763.54, and 6174 loans made amounting to \$15,188,900. Applications that have been rejected total 1257.

Repayment on loans amount to \$1,862,322.38. Of this amount \$878,701.32 represents principal and \$983,621.04 interest.

Up to December 31, 1923, there were 134 veterans who refunded cash bonuses received in the (Continued on Page Six)

### FLAMES DRIVE PHONE GIRLS OUT

Portland, Or., May 8.—One hundred telephone operators at the Main exchange, Park and Alder streets, vacated the building in orderly haste when a burned cable put the whole building in flames shortly before noon today.

The first warning the girls had was when great volumes of smoke poured from the basement followed closely by flames.

The chief operator was one of the first to see the smoke and she rang the emergency fire alarm.

The fire apparently started in the basement and by the time the first fire apparatus arrived the flames were leaping from the base and first story windows with the smoke pouring from the roof.

All main telephone numbers were put out of service immediately.

The janitor of the building said that all the girls were out of it before the fire department appeared on the scene.

### TO WAGE WAR OF VIOLENCE

Smugglers Preparing To Resort To Arms In Effort To Break Blockade, Say Reports.

Washington, May 8.—(A. P.)—Evidence is accumulating at coast guard headquarters here that rum run off New York does not mean to strike its colors without a fight.

Already there have been so many indications of a campaign of revenge that Rear Admiral Billard, the coast guard commandant, said today that his forces undoubtedly were facing a war to the death.

In the last three weeks a dozen incidents have been reported to coast guard headquarters which would give unmistakable evidence that it is the intention of rum runners and their land conspirators to use bullets on guardsmen wherever they are found. Some of the guardsmen are threatening to resign because of the hazard faced by their families on shore, when they are absent on duty.

Confidential reports tell of the kidnapping of one man at Atlantic City, the ambushing of a cutter lying off Montauk Point, the reports of anonymous and threatening letters by headquarters here and by guardsmen at New London, Conn., and Bay Shore and (Continued on Page Four)

### PROFESSIONAL BONDSMEN ARE UNDER BAN HERE

Justice of the Peace Brazier C. Small set a precedent for local courts here today when he refused to accept Frank T. Berry and John Tenetson of Portland as bondsmen for John Andrews, Lester Dickson and Henry Johnson, who are in jail here on charges of possession of a still and manufacture of liquor. Small's reason for not accepting the Portland men as bondsmen was that as professional bond brokers they put up large sums in bonds and consequently their liabilities are too great.

On the charge of possessing a still Andrews, Dickson and Johnson have been bound over to the grand jury with bail fixed at \$3000 each, while on the manufacturing charge their bail has been fixed at \$1000 each. They today appealed on the latter charge from the justice to the circuit court.

The three men were recently arrested near Mt. Angel by deputy sheriffs and federal prohibition agents, and their still, believed to be the largest ever taken in the west, was confiscated.

### Des Moines Police to Parade Bootleggers Thru Streets of City

Des Moines, Iowa, May 8.—Charging "inefficiency" in the handling of liquor cases by the courts, Chief of Police James Cavender today announced plans for what he termed a "weekly parade of bootleggers."

The announcement followed the parade through the streets of a wrecked automobile containing a police officer disguised to represent "death" and holding a bottle labeled "bootleg." Police claim the driver of the motor car was intoxicated at the time of the accident.

Chief of Police Cavender said today he was making arrangements for the building of large stocks such as were used in previous days.

He announced that it was his plan to place all "bootleggers" arrested in future police driven in stocks with appropriate placards downtown business section as an example of what the bootlegging business produces.

**THIS COUPON**  
And 5 Cents  
Will Admit Any Child of 12 Years or Under to the  
Special Showing of  
**"DICK TURPIN"**  
at the Grand Theater  
Saturday, May 9, 2 p. m.  
As a Guest of  
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