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UNSETTLED  
Tonight and Sunday; probably local snows in the mountains; light variable winds.  
Local: Max. 39; Min. 3; rain, 0; river, 7 feet; clear; calm.

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PRICE THREE CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS—FIVE CENTS

## YEGGS FOILED IN CRACKING SAFE

### SLOW THAWING SUCCEEDED BY SUDDEN DROP

**Thermometer Which Climbed to 33 Friday, Drops to 3 At Night**

Little Prospect for Relief With Low Temperatures Predicted

After a spell of slow thawing under a maximum temperature of 33 above during the afternoon Friday, Salem experienced another night of near zero temperature and awoke Saturday morning to find the streets and sidewalks sheets of ice with the official thermometer registering four above zero at 8 o'clock.

The minimum during the night was three above.

A light north wind offered little prospect of relief from the prevailing low temperatures, and the weather man saw no immediate promise of a change in conditions, and the San Francisco weather bureau office in its regular weekly forecast for the Pacific coast predicted continued low temperatures over the entire northwest during the coming week.

The city's street cleaning department continues to mop up on its snow removal activities with the crews working to clear the streets.

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### MAROONED IN FLOOD REGION FED FROM AIR

Vincennes, Ind. (AP)—Marooned sufferers in the flooded areas of Indiana and Illinois ate food from the skies Saturday with prospects of more as air craft continued to alleviate the suffering in the inundated territories.

Prayers of the half-starved and half frozen residents, who for more than a week have been isolated, were answered Friday as six planes from Indiana and Illinois National Guards dropped food, clothing and medicine. Additional planes were tuned up Saturday to scan the territory again and drop more supplies to needy who may have been missed.

### PUT BAN ON PORT COURTESY

Washington (AP)—Courtesy of the port usually extended to members of congress upon their return from other countries would be denied hereafter under an amendment to the tariff bill accepted Saturday by the senate.

The amendment was offered by Senator Harrison, democrat, Mississippi, and it was adopted without a record vote or debate.

The amendment would provide that "no courtesy of the port, free entry, or special privileges or preferences in examination of members of congress or baggage shall hereafter be extended to any person whomsoever who is subject to payment of customs duties."

It has been the practice of the treasury to extend the "freedom of the port" to returning government officials which permits entry without examination of baggage.

### KILLED IN COLLISION

Eugene, Ore. (AP)—Collision of his automobile with a Southern Pacific stage at Anasay, 7 miles south of here was fatal to Robert Fairbairn, 73, of Seattle. Five other persons were hurt in the accident said to have been caused by a skid on an icy pavement.

### Good Evening!

#### Sips for Supper

By DON UPJOHN

We have painless dentists, painless doctors, and it now remains to be seen whether we can get a Painesite Baptist church.

Regardless of what else may be said of this pitiatocis it presents a bad postulation.

Sheriff Bower may have used the same safety razor for 25 years but we have inster information that Doc Wilson Darby has used the same shaving brush for 34 years and figures on using it 34 years more. And what's further, the shaving brush was given to Wilson by his big brother after he had used it himself for a year or two. Somebody beat that one.

Now let's hear from someone who used the same cake of shaving soap for 40 years or so.

But we think we can beat all these yarns, as we be Gus Kehrberger has carried the same set of whiskers for 40 years.

For the past several years the sport writers of New York have been branding Babe Ruth as a boob when as a matter of fact Babe Ruth and Jake Ruppert have been making sumps out of the sport writers. The latest exhibition is in the way they fall for this hold out of the Colonel and the holdout for more cash the pair work the sport writers for a million or two in free publicity. The Colonel could afford to pay the Babe a hundred thousand a year for the next five years on the publicity gathered from this holdout alone and be money ahead.

In various ways New York sport writers are the most childish wise guys in existence. Most any flat braided pug can tip them over for a column of free publicity. Yet these same boys misquote as the hard guys of the craft.

When Eunice Pringle, the dancer, was prosecuting Alexander Pantazes, she denied she intended suing him for \$500,000 damages. We find she was telling the truth—she's sued him for a million.

Hedda Swart and Jack McGee up in the county engineer's office are the county's prize optimists. We heard them yesterday talking about what they figure on doing next summer.

While local people are urging feeding the birds, out of the ether from the south pole comes a radiogram asking folks to feed the Byrd down there.

### FROZEN FLOOD ZONES MELTING

Memphis, Tenn. (AP)—Sunshine was melting the frozen flood zones of Arkansas and Missouri Saturday. Contact with marooned families in the Big Lake, Arkansas area has been established and about 150 persons, suffering from cold and hunger, were brought out of the stricken region Friday by rescue crews who chopped a path for their boats through ice.

The Red Cross hoped to reach at least 200 more Saturday.

The refugees were being taken to Blytheville and housed in box cars and tents. Many of those rescued were ill. Their food and fuel had been exhausted. A baby two days old was found in one house which was in the grip of frozen waters. The mother was in a critical condition at Blytheville.

The situation throughout the St. Francis valley remains serious. Rivers were falling in their upper reaches Saturday.

### Deluge of Plaudits Showered on Curtis On 70th Birthday

Washington (AP)—Charles Curtis, once a boy on an Indian reservation and now vice-president of the United States, Saturday celebrated his 70th birthday with his ancient political foe, the democrat, joining republicans in tributes, congratulations and best wishes.

As the senate convened, Senator Copeland, democrat, New York, a physician, gained the floor and said that it was his opinion as a doctor that the vice-president would have many more years in which to serve his country.

Curtis, who served 20 years in the senate from Kansas, smiled at this and replied, "Thank you."

It was the beginning of a deluge of plaudits. Senator Ashurst, democrat, Arizona, rose to praise the

### ENGLISH GIVEN YEAR SENTENCE AND PAROLED

#### Mercy Asked for Confessed Embezzler of State Funds by Employer

#### Full Restitution of Money Made—Benefitted But Little by Theft

Felix English, 34-year-old confessed embezzler of \$1227 of state funds, was sentenced to one year in the state penitentiary by Circuit Judge Kelly Saturday and paroled to Max Page, his attorney. The parole came only, however, after recommendations in favor of it by Secretary of State Hal Hoss, his former employer, District Attorney John H. Carson, a showing as to the general good character of the defendant by a number of prominent citizens, and the development of the fact that a complete restitution of the money had been made.

Other elements which entered into the granting of the parole was development of the fact that the money in the main was used in financing an operation for the defendant's former wife, now in the east, and that personally the defendant benefited but little. In addition the fact that English confessed to Joe Chambers, a Christian Science church reader, and in doing so asked that Chambers arrange for a meeting with the secretary of state so that English might

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### SECRECY AT NAVAL PARLEY IS CONDEMNED

Washington (AP)—Secret sessions at the London arms limitation conference were assailed in the senate Saturday by Senator McKellar, democrat, Tennessee, as giving the international gathering "a black eye" to start with.

In the first mention of the London conference in the senate since the meeting opened, Senator McKellar commended Senators Robinson of Arkansas and Reed of Pennsylvania, members of the American delegation, for their stand in favor of open sessions.

His statement drew no reply from other senators.

"It will be recalled," McKellar said, "that the deliberations between President Hoover and Mr. MacDonald, when the latter was here, were secret and the public has never been taken into their confidence, apparently on either side of the water. Great questions like this should not be settled by government agents in secret. The people of the two countries are entitled to know what is going on when their vital interests are being contracted about."

"I want to take this occasion," McKellar continued, "to commend Senators Robinson and Reed for their stand in favor of having open sessions. Of all international covenants this particular one should be open and openly arrived at. The very fact that the conference holds secret meetings, from which the newspapers are excluded and from which the public is excluded, is enough to raise a doubt in the minds of all fair-minded citizens as to the propriety of such action."

### STORMS AT SEA CLAIM SHIPS

Tokyo, (AP)—The coastal freighter *Mito Maru* and her crew of 30 is feared to have been lost off the coast of Akita prefecture. The 1,450 ton ship sent out distress calls at midnight Friday night. A rescue ship Saturday reported that it had searched fruitlessly all day for the *Mito Maru*.

Capetown, Union of South Africa. (AP)—The German motorship *Rhein*, belonging to the Hamburg-American line went ashore Saturday on the rocks off Robben Island. The ship, which carried a few passengers was on route to Capetown.

The *Rhein* is listed as of 3000 tons net register. It left Las Palmas, Canary Islands, January 6, for Port Natal.

### Harry Lauder Gets 8 Dimes From John D.

Daytona Beach, Fla. (AP)—Harry Lauder has a shiny dime from John D. Rockefeller, Sr., who told him the gift was "just in case you ever did run out of money."

In the Scotch comedian's palm Mr. Rockefeller placed a second coin.

"Here's another for your wife," he said.

"Thank you, sir."

"And here's a couple for your children, continued the oil magnate.

"Thank you, sir."

"And here are two, three, four dimes for your grandchildren."

Then Mr. Rockefeller turned away.

Lauder pocketed the dimes. "I'll always keep them," he said. "His closest living relative is a niece."

### ACCUSE DEAN OF CANCELLING CERTAIN ASSETS

Portland, Ore. (AP)—Dr. Charles J. Dean, physician with offices in Portland, Seattle, Los Angeles and San Francisco, was arrested here Saturday by a deputy United States marshal on an indictment returned by the federal grand jury charging violation of the bankruptcy act.

The indictment, returned secretly, charged that on February 3, 1928 Dr. Dean filed three separate voluntary bankruptcy petitions in the federal district court, here, one as an individual, a second as Dr. Charles J. Dean, Inc., and the third for Dr. Charles J. Dean, Inc., of Oregon.

### BANK BANDIT ELUDES POSSE TAKES TO HILLS

San Rafael, Calif. (AP)—Sheriff's deputies, ready for a gun battle with a bank robbery suspect who would "shoot it out" rather than submit to arrest, searched the hills and woodland in the vicinity of Novato Saturday for the fugitive who pilot night slipped through a cordon of armed possemen surrounding a farm house where he had been trapped.

### MEANEST MAN LOCATED AGAIN

Chicago (AP)—It was the first time in six years that Leo Edelstein had been over to see his mother.

Mrs. Ida Edelstein is blind and an invalid. Under a court order her son, manager of a chain of shoe stores, has been contributing \$12 a week to her support.

After talking with her, Edelstein slipped a piece of paper in her hands and went away. When her daughter came home, Mrs. Edelstein said: "Leo was here, and he gave me a check for a present."

### YAQUINA RIVER GETS HEARING

Washington (AP)—A schedule for public hearings on several important rivers and harbors projects was announced by the war department Saturday.

The schedule included: Yaquina River, Ore., February 5. Among projects under consideration by the board as announced by the war department was "the project for an increase in depth of the Yaquina River, Ore., from the mouth to Toledo."

### ADMIRAL JONES SICK IN LONDON

London (AP)—Rear Admiral Hilary P. Jones, who is in London as a naval adviser to the American delegation, was confined by illness to his hotel Saturday.

His illness was diagnosed tentatively as indigestion although he has been suffering also from a severe cold.

Admiral Jones, who is one of the most distinguished American navy officers, is in his 67th year.

### ITALY FIRM FOR NAVAL PARITY WITH FRANCE

#### Deadlock at Conference Remains Unbroken in Spite of Efforts

#### Differences in Limitation Methods Develop—Good Will Dominates

London (AP)—Two strong men of the modern school of European nationalism, Premier Tardieu of France and Foreign Minister Grandi of Italy, met Saturday to discuss differences which have put a sudden note of drama into the naval conference.

Foreign Minister Grandi arrived at the French premier's suite in the Charlton hotel at six o'clock Saturday evening. He was immediately ushered into the premier's study and began discussions which may determine what part Italy will play in the London negotiations.

The rumbling undertone of Saturday evening traffic around Trafalgar Square floated into the conference room as the two square-jawed leaders each appealed for understanding of considerations he regarded as the paramount concern of his own people.

Determined to maintain Italy's demand for equality with France at Sea, Foreign Minister Grandi, envoy of Premier Mussolini, reared in the same school of direct dealing, which produced the duce, went into the conference planning to present

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The dog, in its first throes of agony and surprised from the pangs of the strychnine, crawled to his little playmate. The animal licked at the baby's hands. The baby patted the dog and chuckled in glee as the rough tongue was passed across his hands and arms.

### HOLD BYRD IN LITTLE DANGER

Washington (AP)—Rear Admiral Byrd and his party, reported marooned in the Antarctic, are "all right down there" according to advices received by Acting Secretary of the Navy Jahncke and the United States navy will go to the rescue only if the situation "becomes serious."

Jahncke said he had received definite assurances that their position does not call for immediate action.

"If it begins to look like a matter of life and death, we of course, will do all in our power to effect a rescue," he said. "But we think there is no reason for emergency action. It is just a question of how long it will take them to get back to the states."

### No Money Provided For Maintenance Of State Office Building

Some surprising disclosures have been brought to light by Secretary of State Hoss in connection with the new state office building, which will be occupied by state departments in March. One of these is that no money is available for operation and upkeep of the building and in a letter to the board of control, Hoss said it would be necessary for the state emergency board to be called to provide the money. The money raised by tax levy at \$60,000 a year to repay the industrial accident commission for funds loaned to construct the building is not available for maintenance of the building. The attorney general has held that the regular legislative appropriation for upkeep of state build-

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### Hotel Water Bills Jump 300 Percent As Business Drops

By HARRY N. CRAIN  
One Salem business establishment contributed \$311.55 cents to the \$17,746 increase in revenues of the Oregon-Washington Water Service company in 1928, as compared with the receipts of the old Salem Water company in 1926 although the business of that particular establishment in 1928 was estimated to be 30 percent less than in 1926 and the consumption of water correspondingly less.

### Water Firm Takes Action To Cover Up

There were various indications that the Oregon-Washington Water Service company was rushing to get under cover as the Capital Journal's investigation of its charges and practices swung into its fifth day Saturday and the complaints of water users, whose grievances have been piling one upon another for the past 18 months, poured into the Journal office in an ever-increasing flow.

### PLANES MUST KEEP ALTITUDE OF 500 FEET

Washington (AP)—Changes in the air commerce regulations to require planes carrying passengers for hire to maintain an altitude of at least 500 feet in flight, or to land when unable to do so, were promulgated Saturday by the department of commerce.

The new rules were issued as a result of the crash near Oceanide, California, recently, in which sixteen persons were killed, including Clarence M. Young, assistant secretary of commerce for aeronautics, in announcing the amendment, said preliminary reports regarding the crash indicated the necessity for such a minimum altitude instead of the 300 feet formerly required. He added that it would be an exceedingly important safeguard in future operations.

### EUNICE'S SUIT NOT TO AFFECT CRIMINAL CASES

Los Angeles (AP)—The act of Miss Eunice Pringle, 17 year old dancer, in filing a \$1,000,000 civil suit against Alexander Pantazes, theater man, can have no effect on the various criminal suits which followed his attack upon her, it was held Saturday.

Ruling in the case of Garland Biffle, accused of having given perjury testimony in favor of Pantazes at the trial in which the theater man was convicted, Superior Judge Edward Henderson of Ventura county said the fact that Miss Pringle filed a damage suit was not material.

Attorneys for Biffle sought a reopening of the trial on grounds that some of the witnesses against Biffle had an interest in his case because of the million dollar damage suit.

Miss Pringle, Nicholas Dunne, her manager, and Theodore Gottsdanker, her attorney, were named as the witnesses.

Judge Henderson based his decision upon a California supreme court ruling which held that the filing of a civil suit subsequent to a criminal action, without proof that the suit was contemplated before, was immaterial.

### Public Building Bill Reported

Washington (AP)—The house bill increasing the public buildings program by \$20,000,000 was ordered favorably reported to the senate Saturday by its public building committee.

The additional appropriation is to be divided equally between the District of Columbia and projects throughout the nation.

### OUTLOOK FOR TRIO CAPTURED TWO ESCAPE

#### Cracksmen Attempt to Blow Up Cherry Milling Company's Safe

#### Spotted by Switch Engine Crew Leave Second Charge Unused

Three cracksmen were frustrated in an attempt to blow a large safe in the office of the Cherry City Milling company on Trade street here Friday night when one of them was captured and the other two frightened away after one charge of explosives had failed to crack the strong box. A second charge placed through a hole which had been bored, is still within the safe, the men having been detected by their operations by a Southern Pacific switching crew before it could be exploded. The safe is being given a wide berth Saturday while an expert is being sought who will attempt to extricate the stuff and open the doors.

Earl Brown, who was acting as lookout while his two companions

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### TO INITIATE BILL FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNORSHIP

An attempt to initiate a measure providing for a lieutenant governor in Oregon was started Saturday when the Oregon State Grange filed the preliminary data with the secretary of state. A constitutional amendment would be necessary, and the Grange proposes to have this voted on at the election next November.

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