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TRUNK SLAYER EVIDES CAPTORS

SAY AMERICA NOT HELPING PEACE MOVES

Belief Widespread U. S. Failing To Cooperate With League

Accused of Playing Lone Hand — Pessimism Rules League Council

Geneva (AP)—There was a distinct note of pessimism Wednesday evening among persons in a position to know the trend of debate regarding Manchuria in the League of Nations council.

The belief was widespread that the United States, represented by Prentiss B. Gilbert, was not backing up the league's program of pacification.

Reports of conversations at Washington between Secretary of State Stimson and Katsujirō Dehuchi, the Japanese ambassador, appeared to have aroused fears that the United States was playing a lone hand and short-circuiting the council's efforts to induce withdrawal of Japanese troops from Manchuria.

Kenkichi Yoshizawa, Japan's representative on the council, remained adamant in his refusal to promise certain guarantees which it is believed China is unwilling to undertake.

It was understood that the members of the council were very discouraged and that they were con-

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JUDD INMATE OREGON ASYLUM

Dr. W. C. Judd, whose wife is sought in connection with the trunk murder of Mrs. Agnes LeRoy and Miss Hedvig Samuelsen at Phoenix, was an inmate of the Oregon state hospital for the insane from December 27, 1919 to February 21, 1929. The hospital records show that he was committed from Marion county as a drug addict.

Dr. Judd had served with the United States forces overseas during the World war and his commitment followed his discharge from the hospital, he is said to have been official physician for the Brookings Lumber company at Brookings, Ore., near the California line.

He was graduated from the medical college of Willamette university in 1906 and for a time was an interne at Willamette sanitarium here.

Local physicians who knew Judd describe him as normally a man of culture and very personable.

HOSPITAL PATIENTS RESCUED IN FIRE

Oakland, Cal. (AP)—Twenty patients in the main building of St. Anthony's hospital were removed safely Wednesday when fire menaced the structure.

A triple alarm summoned all available fire apparatus and firemen assisted hospital attendants in removing the patients to the building ward in an adjoining building. None was injured.

Cause of the fire was not immediately determined.

Two patients were overcome but were quickly revived.

Physicians, nurses and nearby residents aided firemen in removing the patients in stretchers and wheel chairs.

A score of convalescents gathered their paraphernalia and walked to safety.

RELIGIOUS WARFARE RAGES, VERA CRUZ

Mexico City (AP)—Reports of religious trouble in the state of Vera Cruz were contained in dispatches reaching here Wednesday.

A message from Toluca, Hidalgo, said a movement led by an unnamed priest had gained some strength at Ixcatlan, Vera Cruz, and that federal troops were converging on the town.

In Conacostlan, state of Vera Cruz, the report said, Agrarians and municipal authorities clashed, and three persons were seriously wounded.

SCHOOL BURNS
Holderness, N. H. (AP)—Fire early Wednesday destroyed the Holderness school for boys and drove more than forty students to the street. Damage was estimated at approximately \$200,000.

Good Evening!

Sips for Supper

By DON UPJOHN

Henry Mencken wrote an article recently in which he urged the legalizing of lotteries. Perhaps he has found out since his marriage that a lottery isn't so bad, after all.

Our headline writer at the top of the classified page handed out the following last night: "Consider these if's—If Cleopatra had worn long skirts; if Patrick Henry had been born tongueless; if Paul Revere had been held up by traffic; if Herman Schellberg had been born deaf and dumb; if Eve hadn't liked apples; if Walter Raleigh had gone in his shirt sleeves; if Al Smith had been born a Methodist."

The depression has even hit the Salem high school societies. At least they can't keep the wolf from the door.

Barney Bernhardt, local A. P. man, is urging a get together dinner for state officials so they may become acquainted. Leave it to a newspaperman to work up a free feed for himself.

The question arises if Max Gehlbach would be compelled to order Tusk to be shot whether that would be another trunk murder.

At any rate it's too bad Tusk didn't get all the publicity before the state fair. It would have made it one of the big paying attractions.

Anyway, at the rate of two tons of hay a day, we can say for Tusk, "What an elephant!"

Banker Lamport who has been vice-president of the United States National Bank for a number of years, became lawyer Lamport this week and looks the part encoined in his new offices up in the bank building. Here's hoping for lots of litigation, Fred, and a multiplicity of suits.

Right after our revealing the relationship of Frank Spears and Doc Spears Frank got a citation to come down to Portland and serve on the federal grand jury probably as right tackle.

Some old philosopher once remarked that you get out of life what you put into it. Which same may also be said of a mirror as any woman can testify.

GUNMEN HELD IN LA GRANDE JAIL

La Grande, Ore. (AP)—Life or death for Keith Crosswhite and John Owen, youthful Springfield, Mo., "bad men", literally depended Wednesday upon the fate of Amos Helm, whom they shot.

Helm, a state policeman, was shot down by one of the men last Sunday as he questioned them about robberies at Idaho Falls, Ida. Owen and Crosswhite deserted Orlean Woodhouse, a 16-year-old Idaho girl, and took to the wild Blue Mountain hills.

They were captured Tuesday, hungry, cold and dejected, without a shot being fired. A searcher in an airplane had located their hiding-place.

If Helm dies, the prisoners will be tried for first degree murder, a capital offense. District Attorney Carl Helm said.

Giant Hawk Tried To Carry Off Boy

Sioux City, Ia. (AP)—A giant hawk which tried to carry "Buddy" Knudson, 7, away, could not lift him and got its claws so entangled in the boy's clothing it could not escape. "Buddy" suffered severe scratches before an older boy killed the hawk.

Winter Relief Work Gets Definite Start At Conference Here

Salem got its organization for winter relief work as an adjunct to its job-finding commission for the resident unemployed definitely under way at a meeting of the members of the community service committee Tuesday evening, when plans for the collection and disbursement of relief funds and the systematic handling of all destitute and needy cases were formulated and placed in preliminary operation.

Without attempting to establish an arbitrary quota, which would be largely a matter of guess work in view of the abnormal emergency existing, the committee will launch a concerted campaign for funds on November 1 with the idea of including everyone in the city who

FINAL TRIBUTE PAID EDISON AT OLD HOME

Funeral Ceremony Simple—Mrs. Hoover Attends

All Electric Lights in Nation To Be Turned Off One Minute Tonight

West Orange, N. J. (AP)—In the drawing room of the spacious, Victorian mansion where he had lived for many years, a simple tribute was paid Wednesday to one of America's greatest peace time heroes—Thomas Alva Edison.

There assembled his family and his friends to bid him farewell, with the music, the poetry, and the flowers that he loved.

The wife of the president of the United States, whom the inventor counted among his friends, was present, but there was about the funeral little of the stately ceremony one would associate with the obsequies of a man of world wide fame.

The service opened with two of Edison's favorite songs—"Little Grey Home in the West" and "I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen"—played on the violin by his old

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RAILROAD WAGE CUT AVERTED

Washington (AP)—A plan for stabilizing the critical railroad situation without recourse to wage cuts has been advanced as another of the efforts which the government is making to revive basic industries and restore confidence to American business.

The interstate commerce commission proposed the plan Tuesday in rejecting the carrier's petition for a blanket 15 per cent rate increase. It contemplates a huge pool of millions of dollars, accrued through widely spread but small rate increases for the benefit of roads in financial distress. The increases would have scarcely any effect upon the average citizen.

As a companion effort to the \$500,000,000 National Credit corporation and the proposed improvements in the real estate and home building situations, the railroad would marshal from \$100,000,000 to \$125,000,000 for another industry weakened by the strain of adverse business conditions and vitiated credit.

By making its counter proposal, the commission was believed to have averted for the time being at least any further speculation regarding wage reductions for rail workers such as a flat denial probably would have occasioned.

STARTS DRIVE ON ONE EYED AUTOS

Charles Pray, state superintendent of police, Wednesday issued a warning to motorists driving at night with only one headlight. The police department is making a drive against these offenders and anyone with single headlights will be subject to arrest. Pray announced. Complaints of many one-light drivers on the highways as well as many with glaring headlights, have come into the department. Pray said. Both violations will be checked in the drive for more safety on highways.

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New York (AP)—Premier Pierre Laval of France, coming to the United States for conferences with President Hoover, is to speak before the microphone next Monday evening.

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Henry Ford Thinks Hard Times Do Good

New York (AP)—Henry Ford thinks the economic slump "has done less harm to the people of our country than a continuance of our previous false prosperity would have done."

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Freight Rates On Lumber to Be Increased

The interstate commerce commission ruling in granting certain increases on commodities shipped by rail, although refusing the flat 15 per cent increase requested by railroads, affects lumber, Charles M. Thomas, public utilities commissioner, stated. He said his interpretation of the findings showed this was the only commodity materially affecting Oregon.

The increase permitted on lumber interstate shipments was 63 a carload. This increase was included in the conditionally approved surcharges.

The commissioner announced that (Concluded on page 10, column 6)

BECKETT HELD TO GRAND JURY

Dallas—Russell Beckett and L. Schaefer, both Salem men, were bound over to the Polk county grand jury Wednesday following arraignment in the court of Justice of the Peace Gregory, and released under \$500 bond furnished by Frank Berry, Portland ball arrest broker, as the result of their arrest here early Monday morning by Chief of Police Neufeldt. The two men were charged with possession and transportation of alcoholic liquor and possession of a loaded gun upon a public highway.

A third man, one "John Doe" who has consistently refused to talk and consequently could not be questioned by officers, occupies a cell in the county jail until he is willing to answer questions of the officers.

Mysterious circumstances brought the arrest of the trio according to the story told by Chief Neufeldt. Beckett allegedly brought "John Doe" to Dallas in a light coupe late Sunday night, "John Doe" got out of the car, and Beckett headed back toward Salem. Police promptly picked up the stranger as a suspicious character. About 4 o'clock the next morning according to the officer's story, Beckett returned driving a truck and was accompanied by Schaefer. When Neufeldt stopped him, Beckett al-

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WOUNDED COP WORSE TODAY

LaGrande (AP)—The condition of Amos Helms, state trooper, shot here Sunday by Keith Crosswhite, 19, and John Owen, 28, of Springfield, Mo., appeared less satisfactory Wednesday than it did Tuesday. He paced a restless night.

Crosswhite and Owen were captured Tuesday near Meacham after poses of national guardsmen, state police, sheriff's deputies and citizens weakened by the strain of adverse business conditions and vitiated credit.

In rendering its dictum, the society was thinking only of Helms' welfare. Mrs. Lillie Thomas presided. Pray announced.

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DENY PERMISSION TO DRAG WHALE

Portland, Ore. (AP)—The words "only a bird in a gilded cage" will never apply to Ebert the whale.

Permission to catch Ebert and drag him 300 yards overland to a concrete pool full of salt water was denied P. Fisher and Clyde Lettier, Vancouver, Wash., Wednesday by the Oregon Humane society.

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FINANCE AND ECONOMIES TO BE DISCUSSED

Hoover and Laval To Confer on Readjustment of Conditions

Debt Revision and Armament Reduction Principle Subjects

Washington (AP)—A broad readjustment of the tangled world economies, including possible debt revisions and drastic armament reduction, but involving no American guarantee of French political security, is conceived by the theme of Premier Laval's coming conferences with President Hoover.

There is no expectation here that any sort of prior commitment, in the form of a Franco-American consultative pact or otherwise, will be discussed when the two statesmen converse at the White House later this week.

The United States does not consider itself in a position to make promises respecting the security of any European nation. It will be a surprise if Mr. Laval suggests such a step.

The understanding here is that the sole basis of the Hoover-Laval conversations will be world economic rehabilitation, holding between United States and France between (Concluded on page 10, column 4)

POSSES HUNTING BANK ROBBERS

Menominee, Wis. (AP)—Sheriff's posses Wednesday were hunting three members of a machine gun bandit gang for the hold-up of the Kraft State bank in which a son of the bank's president and a fourth robber were slain.

The body of James Kraft, 19, assistant cashier in the bank recently by his father, W. H. Kraft, was found on the highway six miles from here where it had been thrown from the bandits' car. The slain bandit, whose body was also found along the country road, was identified through fingerprints as Frank Webber alias Frank Smith, who was captured in a Salt Lake City bank robbery in 1919.

Sixteen persons were forced to lie on the bank floor by the three bandits. The leader scooped up an estimated \$10,000 in cash and securities.

The robber car, blood spattered, was later found. Possesmen Wednesday were continuing the search in the neighborhood of Webster, and Spanglerville, Wis.

W. H. Kraft, another son of the president, was shot in the back as he lay on the floor when he refused to tell the bandits where other valuables were. He is expected to recover.

OREGON FOOTBALL TEAM OFF FOR EAST

Eugene, Ore. (AP)—Bound eastward for two inter-sectional games on successive Saturdays, the University of Oregon football squad entrained Wednesday for Grand Forks, N. D., where they will meet the University of North Dakota eleven Saturday. From Grand Forks the Webfoots will go to New York for a game with New York University October 31.

The Oregon team worked until long after dark Tuesday in an attempt to smooth out their attack. Doc Spears, coach, drove his men hard throughout the afternoon and scrimmaged them for over two hours.

The Oregon camp was downhearted when word came from the hospital that examination revealed that Lawrence Winter, regular end, had suffered a knee fracture in the Trojan game last Saturday. Spears had planned a new attack built around Winter.

PACIFIC FLIERS CALL AT WHITE HOUSE

Washington (AP)—Two non-stop fliers—Hugh Herndon and Clyde Pangborn—stopped Wednesday at the White House.

The Pacific fliers stayed long enough to shake hands with President Hoover and pose with him for pictures.

They were accompanied by Mrs. Herndon and Assistant Secretary Young of the commerce department.

After a call on Ambassador Dehuchi of Japan and a visit to the state department, Herndon and Pangborn planned to return to New York, they expect to receive there tomorrow the \$25,000 check offered by a Japanese newspaper for their flight.

Storm Warnings Are Posted Along Coast

Portland (AP)—Southeast storm storm warnings were ordered up at all Oregon and Washington coast stations at 5 a. m. Wednesday. The weather bureau said the first real blow of the season is indicated.

A storm of marked intensity, the forecast said, is nearing the Oregon and Washington coastline from the Gulf of Alaska. Rain Wednesday night and Thursday and southerly gales to the coast and offshore were predicted.

Portland had the lowest temperature of the season Wednesday with a minimum of 39 degrees at 5 a. m.

MORE VICTIMS DIE
Herrn, Westphalia, Germany (AP)—The death toll of Monday's mine explosion at Mont Cenis colliery was raised to 17 Wednesday when five more of the victims died.

Filter Construction Offer Repeated By Water Firm Chief

If and when the question of municipal ownership of the city water supply system is submitted to the people of Salem and rejected, or sooner if the city council will execute a contract with the Oregon-Washington Water Service company to protect the company in the amount of its actual investment in betterments and improvements, the company stands ready to proceed immediately with work of completing the filter plant, pumping plant, extension of its mains, enlargement of the present reservoir and the construction of a 150,000 gallon supply tank atop Fairmount hill.

This is the sense of a reply to queries addressed to him by the Capital Journal by E. C. Elliott, president of the water company, who is just now in New York. In view of the agitation of the Salem Chamber of Commerce and the Oregon Water Service company, the president of the company is asked owner of the property. An accounting of rents and profits also is asked for.

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CONDITS WIN SUIT FOR LAND

Circuit Judge Hill Wednesday handed down a decision decreeing in the case of Emma and Ross Condit against Charles L. and Margaret Martin that a deed of trust from the Condits to the Martins covering 53 acres of land is void and of no effect and the plaintiff Emma Condit is declared owner of the property. An accounting of rents and profits also is asked for.

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CLAIM POLICE RECEIVE BRIBES

Oakland, Cal. (AP)—More than 150 Oakland policemen were under fire Wednesday in an investigation by District Attorney Earl Warren of Alameda county on evidence that bootleggers are paying huge sums of "protection money" here.

Aided by federal agents during inquiry lasting two months, Warren claimed information linking officers with the payment of \$50,000 or more a month in bribes by liquor interests and the asserted sale of seized liquor to bootleggers.

Warren alleged one special duty officer had withdrawn nearly \$40,000 from a hidden bank account since July and that another, paid \$250 a month salary, had deposited \$20,000 in a year.

Indictment on bribery, income tax evasion and prohibition counts may be sought, Warren indicated.

The prosecutor gave the first hint of his inquiry in an address before a men's club when he charged that "liquor interests are corrupting our police forces."

11 RESERVE BANKS RAISE DISCOUNT RATE

Washington (AP)—Increases in discount rates by the Philadelphia Federal Reserve bank from 3 to 3 1/2 per cent, and the St. Louis Reserve bank from 2 1/2 to 3 per cent effective Thursday were announced by the Federal reserve board.

Investigations have revealed the most serious unemployment conditions to exist in Portland, certain of the valley counties where industrial development is least, and in such counties as Clatsop, Coos and Klamath where depression in the lumber market has thrown thousands of men out of work.

Unemployment conditions in eastern Oregon are said to be generally less serious than in the western part of the state. Correlating with (Concluded on page 10, column 5)

Devers' Report Upon Unemployed In Oregon In Governor's Hands

J. M. Devers, attorney for the state highway commission who was designated to make county-by-county survey of the unemployment situation in Oregon in connection with Governor Meier's plans for state and county cooperation in the emergency employment of idle labor during the winter, was Wednesday whirling his final report into shape for submission to the executive office.

He expected to have the finished report in the executive office late in the afternoon and it was announced there that the report would be made public Thursday.

Devers would make no advance statements as to the contents of his report, but it is understood that his

FEAR SUICIDE MAY BE FATE OF MRS. JUDD

Many Arrested But Released—Doctor's Wife Makes Escape Good

Husband With Others Believes Murderess Will Not Be Found Alive

Los Angeles (AP)—With a zeal almost equal to the search for William Edward Hickman, murderer of Marion Parker, the hunt for Mrs. Winnie Ruth Judd, 27, accused of the "trunk slaying" of two of her friends, went on throughout southern California and Arizona Wednesday.

Just as in the case of Hickman, Mrs. Judd was reported seen a dozen times in as many different places but as the day wore on each of these tips seemed to have been groundless.

One woman was questioned twice, first at San Pedro and then again near Victorville. Twice local police were called to downtown hotels by clerks who believed Mrs. Judd was one of their guests. A woman "resembling" Mrs. Judd was reported hitch-hiking for the Mexican border while still another was enroute (Concluded on page 10, column 7)

TRAGIC DEATHS FOR 3 NURSES

Portland (AP)—By a ghastly turn of fate three girls, all young, all pretty, bound close by the ties of friendship, have met violent, tragic deaths within a year.

The gruesome slaying of Agnes LeRoy and Hedvig Samuelsen of Phoenix, Ariz., recalled that a year ago this month Ruth Nellie Hart, young Portland and Salem nurse, and their close friend, disappeared mysteriously from the steamer Princess Louise while en route from Wrangell, Alaska, to Portland.

Mrs. Le Roy saw Miss Rinehart off on the Princess Louise when she left Portland to sail south. Her disappearance from the boat never was explained.

Members of Mrs. Le Roy's family said Wednesday that when the girl was here last June she spoke of the tragedy but appeared reluctant to discuss details of her relationship with the nurse or of her disappearance.

IOWA BANK HELD UP AND \$4370 TAKEN

Yale, Ia. (AP)—Two bandits who were inside the Farmers' State bank of Yale Wednesday when employees of the institution came to work, held up the bank, took \$4,370.82 in cash and escaped.

J. W. Hemphill, bookkeeper, entered the bank for work Wednesday morning and was accosted by two bandits who had apparently secreted themselves in the building during the night. They ordered him to open the vault, then bound him and placed him inside the vault.

When W. R. Hitchins, assistant cashier, arrived a few minutes later, he was likewise bound and placed in the vault. After taking all the available currency and strewing the bonds hurriedly escaped in a stolen car.

BUTLER'S LECTURE FINANCIAL FROST

Portland (AP)—When Major General Smedley Darlington Butler, "slew the lid off crime" at the auditorium here last Saturday night, he "drew" just \$4.50 more than the auditorium rental. The Ellison-White Chautauqua company have petitioned the council to reduce the rental of \$250 for the auditorium to \$150 because the total receipts of the Butler lecture amounted to only \$254.50.

Marathon Dancer Admitted Crazy

Chicago (AP)—Michael Sorak, 21, explained when charged with stealing gloves that dancing 482 hours had made him "so crazy I didn't know what I was doing." Judge Leon Ebelman ruled that anyone who danced that long "must be crazy" and released Sorak on probation.