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ARSENAL ROBBED BY DILLINGER

GIRL'S MOTHER PUTS THRILL IN GRAVES CASE

Witness Says Mrs. Rice Planned To Buy Farm With Money
Daughter Said To Have Called Defendant Good Meal Ticket

Mrs. Thomas Smith of Falls City, mother of Mrs. Vera Rice who's affection her husband John J. Rice alleged in his heart balm suit were alienated \$100,000 worth by George H. Graves, well known local salesman, was the center of sensations in the trial this morning before Judge McCallahan.

Mrs. Smith testified that Mrs. Rice came to her at the Smith home in Falls City.

"We can't get a divorce so we are going to sue Graves the —," is the statement Mrs. Smith said. Mrs. Rice made to her.

"I told Vera (Mrs. Rice) that it was a dirty mean trick after he has been so good to us," Mrs. Smith said.

"Yes, he was a damned good meal ticket," Mrs. Smith further quoted Mrs. Rice as saying.

"She said she was going to cry on his shoulder and keep the case from getting into court. Then she said they were going to take the money and buy a little ranch and a car and they wouldn't have to work any more," Mrs. Smith testified.

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CUT IN SALES TAX FAVORED

Washington, April 13 (AP)—The senate today approved a finance committee amendment to the revenue bill to reduce from 5 to 1 cent per \$100 the stamp tax on sales of produce for future delivery.

The committee reported the tax was "seriously interfering" with normal business transactions on the exchanges.

A final vote on the revenue bill was due before night.

Senator Frazier (R., N. D.), opposing the reduction, assailed alleged "gamblers" on the grain exchanges.

This led Senator Long (D., La.), to assert the "new of rotten crooks that robbed the farmers."

"The regret of my life," Long said, "was that when I was governor, I couldn't drive those crooks out of there. I'd rather take my chance in a nigger crap game than on that exchange."

Frazier replied "cotton gamblers are pikers compared with wheat gamblers" and added wheat sales on the Chicago exchange last year involved more than 20 times the wheat production.

FIVE NOW DEAD IN BANQUET TRAGEDY

Sedalia, Mo., April 13 (AP)—Five deaths today marked the explosions of an improvised steam table which turned a happy anniversary banquet into tragedy.

The victims, all women, were showered with boiling water and scalding steam Wednesday night when the table exploded in a temporary kitchen at the Missouri Pacific shops. In another part of the building, approximately 1,500 persons were waiting to be served a dinner in connection with an anniversary celebration.

Nineteen women are in a hospital, two of them in a critical condition.

LEADERSHIP SPLIT ON SILVER ISSUE

Washington, April 13 (AP)—Silver legislation divided the faltering leadership of the house today as one bloc moved to accept President Roosevelt's hint for early adjournment and another sought a silver bill before going home.

Speaker Henry T. Rainey championed silver. House majority leader Joseph W. Byrne excluded silver from a brief program designed to end the session by May 15.

Complicating the situation is a silver surge in the senate where the agriculture committee has favorably reported an omnibus silver bill which includes nationalization of all domestic metal.

Good Evening!

Sips for Supper
By DON UPJOHN

We imagine the heights of joy for a gubernatorial candidate in these times would be the ability to bring out as good crowds as are attending the Graves' trial and auditions who would evince as much interest in his speeches as they do in the testimony at the trial.

We noted one lady today who attended the trial and brought along her knitting. Apparently, however, she didn't miss many of the salient features for the knitting.

We ran across Bill Ellis this morning off in a corner of the courthouse working on a column of figures a mile or so long. Bill wouldn't tell us what it was about but we surmised Bill was figuring out how much income tax he'll have to pay to the state and federal government on that \$30,000 attorney fee he expects to collect in the grain rate case he recently filed. Bill should have figured that out before hand and put it in as part of the fee.

If Bill collects the fee we don't know whether he will remain so calm and collected after all.

Lara Bergvis tipped us off he expects to go fishing over to the coast again this week-end. Somebody's father had better be watching out for his bass.

Rufe Holman is sure putting on a great campaign for Sam Brown. If the treasurer keeps issuing statements like the one of yesterday Sam will sure owe him a lot of political gratitude when he becomes governor. In fact it begins to look now that whether or not Sam becomes governor will depend on how long the treasurer's paper holds out.

It's more or less of a faux pas, as it were, to call Sam Brown a minor candidate when everybody knows he's the farmer candidate. But, at any rate, Rufe seems to have contributed to the votes of a minor.

Candidates for editorship of the Oregon Emerald at Eugene include chaps named Polivka and Salsavsky. That paper should have the widest circulation in the world—from Pole to Pole.

Friday the 13th seems to have passed off quietly as far as we could find out, save we saw the first earwig of the spring this a. m.

We received an invitation this morning from Dwight Adams to attend the big northwest wrestling contest at the YMCA Saturday afternoon and evening. Sensing the fact that Dwight sent us the invitation more to get the grueling grapplers mentioned in our column than to see us there in person we hasten to graciously say wish. But it will be a great show—even if we don't get there to be on display.

BAD LUCK COMES ON FRIDAY 13TH

Long Beach, Calif., April 13 (AP)—Carl Johnson and his mother, Mrs. Stella Johnson had an uninvited guest for breakfast this morning. He showed up before the Johnsons got out of bed. And how!

Fred M. Brown of Lynwood, an out worker, was enroute to work. The pavement was slippery from the early morning fog. His auto skidded, turned half around, jumped the curb and sidewalk, and crashed into the Johnson house.

The machine plowed through the wall, demolished an organ, two tables and several chairs, and came to a halt in the dining room, right in front of another table.

So the Johnsons' four-room house isn't what it was before Friday the 13th.

Highest Wind Velocity Ever Measured Noted By Observers Thursday

Summit Observatory, Mount Washington, N. H., April 13 (AP)—The highest wind velocity ever measured—231 miles an hour—was recorded here yesterday, official records revealed today.

The wind blew at that amazing speed for only a few seconds, but held a 168 mile average for a full five minutes.

The previous record, also established at this mile-high observatory—highest observatory in the country—was 164 miles on April 5, 1933.

Alexander McKenzie, one of the three observers atop the mountain when the sudden gust registered 231 miles an hour, told the United Press today how it feels to be outdoors when the wind is blowing like two or three hurricanes rolled into one.

"The wind made quite a lot of noise," he said. "It was more of a rushing sound than a howling sound."

LABOR TROUBLE THROWS GLOOM OVER INDUSTRY

New Disorders In Philadelphia Bring Arrest of Sixty Persons
Wage Concessions Made By Lake Carriers and Motor Company

Washington, April 13 (AP)—Harvey C. Fleming, president of the International Association of Oil Field, Gas Well and Refinery Workers of America, told reporters today a strike involving 100,000 members of the organization will be called "with 48 hours" if wage differentials prepared by the planning and coordination committee of the oil code authority are adopted.

(By the Associated Press)

New disorders clouded the industrial scene today, causing the arrest of 60 persons in Philadelphia. Further strikes threatened in Connecticut, and glove cutters in Gloversville, N. Y., are prepared to go on strike unless their wage demands are met late today.

Pickets were on duty at the Viscose company plant in Lewistown, Pa., as the "lunch period" strike spread through the force of 4,000 employees. Less than 400 workers were reported on duty. A crowd estimated at 1,500 milled outside.

At least two developments gave a brighter hue today to the situation.

Ten per cent wage increases were announced last night for all workers on boats operated by the Lake Carriers association. If all 400 boats operated by members are in service this year about 13,000 persons will receive the increase.

Employees of the Nash Motor company's Kenosha, Wis., plant (Continued on page 9, column 6)

INCOME TAX MADE PUBLIC

Washington, April 13 (AP)—The senate today voted to make all income tax returns subject to public inspection. The publicity amendment was approved 41 to 34.

It adopted an amendment to the revenue bill by Senator LaFollette (R., Wis.), to this end after contentions were made such a policy would serve to minimize tax-dodging.

The proposal would make the returns "open to public examination and inspection" and would make it mandatory that rules be promulgated by the secretary of the treasury and approved by the president to permit this.

"The real purpose of this amendment is to increase the honest revenue to the government," said Senator Norris (R., Neb.), adding that secrecy reduces tax collections.

"This won't hurt a single citizen and will bring millions of dollars into the treasury," he said.

Senator Murphy (D., Iowa), opposed the amendment on the ground that it "destroys all privacy of an individual."

"It isn't any of the public's business," he said. "It is the business of the agents of the public and we employ those agents."

Sensors McNary and Steicker of Oregon voted against the amendment.

DILL-RAYBURN BILL APPROVED

Washington, April 13 (AP)—The modified Dill-Rayburn bill for federal regulation of communications was approved today by the senate interstate commerce committee.

The bill, introduced by recommendation of President Roosevelt, would create a communications commission of five to take over from the interstate commerce commission supervision of telephone and telegraph companies and from the radio commission jurisdiction over radio communication facilities.

The modified bill would give the commission authority to inquire into contracts between affiliated companies for services and equipment and recommend to congress whether legislation should be enacted to permit them to void or modify such contracts.

The bill also would permit the president to take over the communications system in time of war or on the threat of war.

WAGES BOOSTED

Wallington, Conn., April 13 (AP)—R. Wallace and company, silverware manufacturers, announced a 10 per cent increase in wages for about 1,000 employees today.

New Text To Teach Youth About Liquor

State six year contracts for textbooks in 13 different subjects will expire in July, 1935, but State Superintendent Charles A. Howard expects to list the textbooks in only one of these subjects for consideration by the state textbook commission at its meeting next November, according to a statement released today. It is considered that the textbooks in health education now in the Oregon schools do not provide adequate treatment of the effect of alcoholic beverages and narcotics.

"This has been a fault of practically all textbooks in the field of health education that have been published within the last 10 or 12 years," Howard declared.

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HOODOO WOMAN SOUGHT BY CLUB

Chicago, April 13 (AP)—Thirteen leading Chicago citizens sent out a call today for a cross-eyed, red-headed woman. They want her to be guest of honor at the dining room of the anti-superstitionists because such women represent the most dangerous ill-men in the books of black magic.

Coupled with the seating of 13 regular guests at table on Friday the 13th misfortune is promised on practically a money-back-if-not-satisfied basis.

The 13 would-be hosts are members of the Anti-Superstition Society. Their dinner will celebrate the end of the 13th month since they held their first 13-day test of the efficacy of honored superstitions.

Even if, as appeared probable despite the cooperation of the police missing persons squad, an honor guest of the required specifications is not available tonight, the demons of bad luck still are going to be on the spot.

Wirt Morton, of the salt family, will open the ceremony by spilling a bushel or so of salt around the dining room. Old-timers shuddered at the risk.

Two ladders will so flank the entrance to the dining room that guests must walk beneath. A black cat, borrowed from his wife for the occasion by Prof. Samuel Stevens of Northwestern university, will sit in a cage in the spot where Rogers grace the ordinary table. Guests will group in threes to light cigars from one match.

The odd man will be required to walk outside and look at the moon over his left shoulder before smoking.

To top off a rounded program, each society member will raise and brag that he still owns and is on friendly terms with his family 13 months after the epochal test of last year.

Knocking on wood will be forbidden.

DEMOCRATS OF STATE TO MEET

Two hundred democrats including candidates for all of the principal state and congressional offices to be filled at the coming elections, fired with the enthusiasm of a "democratic year" will gather this evening at the Arjo hotel for a banquet at 7 o'clock.

The gathering will be in the nature of a get-together affair to enable local members of the party to become acquainted with the candidates bidding for their endorsement, and will be presided over by Mrs. Beattie Richards, president of the Jefferson club of Oregon.

B. F. Purvine, editor of the Oregon Journal, will be the principal speaker. His talk will be preceded by short speeches of introduction by the candidates.

Up to noon today approximately 125 reservations had been made, among them being the following candidates or their representatives:

For congress—W. A. Delzell, Senator John Goss and R. R. Turner. Governor—H. B. Van Duzer, Senator George P. Hatfield, Charles H. Martin, and Willis Mahoney. Secretary of State—Horace Walcott and J. E. Shilton.

Delegations from Portland and several Willamette valley cities have notified the committee in charge that they will be present.

STATE TO BOTTLE IMPORTED WHISKY

Portland, April 13 (AP)—The state liquor commission will bottle imported bulk whisky under its own brand names and offer it for sale after May 1.

Bourbon will be imported from Canada and Kentucky, while Scotch will come directly from Europe.

By buying in bulk, the commission hopes to avoid high tariffs on glass, and to sell its product cheaper than the highly-advertised brands.

The state-bottled liquor will be sold in pints, quarts and fifths, according to Administrator George P. Samuels. The plant will be located at Portland.

Samuels, who returned Thursday from a trip to British Columbia and Washington, said the commission would drop the new plan after trial if it is not a money maker.

CONFESSES TO SLAYING

Louisville, Ky., April 13 (AP)—James William Thomas, Jr., 35, a jeweler, confessed today, said Dunlap Walsfield, safety director, that he shot and killed his sweetheart, Alma Knight, 24, divorcee, and stuffed her body in a closet of his apartment Tuesday.

CAPITAL GIVES BIG RECEPTION TO ROOSEVELT

President Tosses Witticisms Hither and Yon Among Admirers
Return From Fishing Cruise Marked by Unusual Acclaim

Washington, April 13 (AP)—President Roosevelt was welcomed back from his Florida vacation today by some 200 members of congress.

"I can't be truthful and say I am glad to be back. In sorry," he told them jocularly when cheering subsided.

"While I've had a wonderful time, I gather that both houses of congress have also had a wonderful time."

Laughter greeted his sallies. The congressional delegation, led by Vice President Garner and Speaker Rainey, had gathered over to Union station from the capital behind the Marine band. Martial music echoed.

When the presidential train arrived Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Anna Dali, her daughter-in-law, Mrs. James Roosevelt, and her son Elliott, immediately went aboard. A few minutes later the official senate and house committees went into the president's car.

The congressional contingent outside shouted and applauded when the president later emerged on the arm of his son, James. The band played "Hail to the Chief."

Just after that the president said he was "very glad to see you all" and thanked the members of congress for coming to welcome him.

Some of the men were asked to get publicity on the fish he had caught.

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TRAGEDY AT NEGRO SCHOOL

Charleston, W. Va., April 13 (AP)—Hanging from the faculty table in the dining hall, James L. Hill, superintendent of the state school for negro deaf and blind, today drew a revolver and killed one faculty member, wounded three others and then shot himself. All are negroes.

Officers found Hill dead in a private office across from the dining room. The man he killed was W. D. Ellison, Jr., instructor in tailoring.

"He just said a few words and pulled out a gun and began to shoot," said Police Wagon, instructor in barbering and one of the wounded.

The shooting brought disclosure by the state board of control that accounts of tailor and barber shops operated by the school have been under investigation.

INSULL TURNS JOKESTER AS SEVEN BURLY TURKS GUARD HIM ON TRAIN

Panderna, Turkey, April 13 (AP)—Samuel Insull turned jokester today on a little train chugging towards Smyrna, where a ship waits to return him to the United States for trial.

To the surprise of fellow passengers, he cast off his appearance of despair during the night voyage by ship from Istanbul to this Marmora seaport. He even joked about the seven-man Turkish escort.

"It is remarkable," he said in jest, "that I should need an escort of seven. I'm perfectly harmless."

That was over the after-dinner coffee aboard the steamer Adams enroute from Istanbul.

The fact that he was beginning a journey against which he fought a year and a half before finally being killed by Turkish authorities at Washington request, did not dim Insull's sleep.

He was sleeping soundly when the Adams docked here at 3 a. m. He was taken ashore at 6:15. Half an hour later he was aboard the train, Smyrna-bound.

The train was due at Smyrna about 175 miles from Panderna, at 8:30 o'clock tonight. There, aboard the American export liner Eubonia, Insull will be handed over to British Y. Berry, of the American embassy at Istanbul. Berry was designated to accompany him homeward.

The trip may require a month. Present plans probably will be (Continued on page 9, column 6)

Governor Blocks Attempt To Raise Salaries for P.U.C.

The question of raising salaries of three employees of the public utility commission transferred from other departments was indefinitely postponed today by the board of control. An impromptu session of the board was held at the close of a land board meeting presided over by Governor Meier.

Meier, here for the first time this week following an attack of grip, said he believed the growing tendency to transfer employees from one department to another and increase their wages was not wise at this time.

"Conditions do not yet warrant such procedure," he declared.

During the past few months numerous raises have been approved for employees of the utility and banking departments. In most instances new titles have been created. Actual work or responsibility, however, have increased but little. Increases, surprisingly, have applied almost exclusively to these departments.

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STUDENTS CALL ANTI WAR STRIKE

New York, April 13 (AP)—A cry "Strike against war!" resounded on many campuses today, summoning students to drop books at 11 a. m. and demonstrate for peace. Even before the movement got officially under way it resulted in bruises for about 20 persons.

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LAST SIX MEN TAKEN OFF ICE

Moscow, April 13 (AP)—The last six men of the Chelishkin Arctic expedition, stranded on ice for 58 days, have been rescued by airplane. It was announced officially today. The news, which roused national pride, meant that aviators who had braved without glory for years the rigors of the Siberian wilds on routine jobs had evacuated 107 men, women and children left adrift at sea when the icebreaker Chelishkin was crushed in the ice February 13.

The aviators saved not only all the refugees but, after they had brought off the last six today, went back and got the sledge dogs who had been taken off the Chelishkin with its human complement.

Some of the men were lashed to the wings of a little biplane in the last drive to save the refugees from the grinding, splintering ice that, under pressure at the beginning of the breakup season, had smashed their little wooden barracks, their kitchen and the airplane landing field they smoothed off on the ice far out at sea.

The refugees comprised the crew of the government ice breaker Chelishkin and members of the Wrangel island meteorological expedition with wives and children. The Chelishkin took aboard the mission members who had been at Wrangel Island for three years. Then the ship was crushed in the ice two months ago.

BREWERS WANT KICK REDUCED

Portland, April 13 (AP)—A movement to limit the alcoholic content of beer to 3.75 per cent by weight, or 4.8 per cent by volume, has been started by brewers serving the Greater Portland area. The brewers are protesting against the city council and police have been besieged by householder complaints of drunkenness and rowdiness in licensed beer parlors and innumerable drunken persons arrested on the streets have insisted that they had had "nothing but beer."

The brewers also advocated a rule by the liquor commission making it unlawful for brewers to advertise the alcoholic content of their beer.

ROUSE UP

Detroit, April 13 (AP)—The Hupp Motor Car corporation today announced an increase of \$50 in the price of one of its sedan models. Eleven other companies, including all General Motors units, previously had announced price increases.

SUPER-OUTLAW GETS GUNS AND STEEL JACKETS

Bandit Surprises Police At Warsaw, Old Stamp-ing Ground
Abduction Frustrated by Nerry Trick of Night Patrolman

Warsaw, Indiana, April 13 (AP)—John Dillinger, America's out-law, returned to his old stamping grounds today for a new raid on a police arsenal and barely escaped capture.

The notorious criminal with a companion identified as Homer Van Meter, Indiana parole violator and known associate of the marauding Dillinger, fled southeast with a posse of 50 vigilantes close upon his heels.

Dillinger appeared on the deserted streets of Warsaw early this morning where he and his companion confronted Bud Pittenger, night patrolman and former chief of police. With automatic pistols showed against his sides, Pittenger was forced to lead the two desperados to the city building and police headquarters. The man believed to be Van Meter held Pittenger against a wall while Dillinger picked up three bullet proof vests and two (Continued on page 9, column 7)

TWO BODIES AT KLAMATH FALLS

Klamath Falls, April 13 (AP)—The bodies of Andrew Mardelle and Doris Sparks, broken and torn by the 125-foot drop into the pit of Sand Creek canyon five months ago, lay in a funeral home here today awaiting the arrival of relatives from California.

Officers late yesterday afternoon removed the bodies of the young women from the creek bed with block and tackle. They had lain there since November 13 when their car went over the side on the snow-covered east entrance highway to Grater Lake national park.

The two Hollywood beauty culturists were the objects of a search all through the winter following their departure from Spokane on Armistice day.

Surviving Miss Mardelle is her father, N. M. Streeter of Klamath Falls; her mother, Mrs. J. H. Sparks, a sister, Mrs. Vivian Horner of San Francisco and a brother, Vernon Hlenkeron of South Gate, California.

Miss Sparks is survived by her mother, Mrs. Donnie of San Francisco; a sister, Mrs. Vivian Horner of San Francisco and a brother, Vernon Hlenkeron of South Gate, California.

STAMPS GIVEN TO MRS. ROOSEVELT

Washington, April 13 (AP)—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt today accepted the first sheet of the 250,000,000 Mother's day postage stamps. The stamps, which will be sold at 1 cent each, would give them to her husband, the stamp collector of the family.

Postmaster General James Farley in making the presentation and dedication said:

"To you Mrs. Roosevelt, the first lady of the land, a devoted mother of a fine and large family, I dedicate the first sheet of this new stamp listed in honor and memory of the mothers of America."

Mrs. Roosevelt replied:

"I feel sure this will be one of the most popular issues of stamps we have ever had in this country. It is beautiful in itself and beautiful in the sentiment, and I feel all will appreciate it. The postoffice department is doing a great thing in honoring the mothers of America."

The stamp will go on sale May 2.

ROSEBURG TO BE EDITORIAL HOST

Eugene, April 13 (AP)—The summer convention of the Oregon State Editorial association will be held at Roseburg June 21, 22 and 23. It was announced here by Arno G. Ray, field manager of the association. Harris Elsworth, editor of the Roseburg News-Review, is president of the newspaper group. A general discussion of 1934 codes as they affect newspaper publication will be one of the more important features of the summer meeting.