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MANY HOUSES WASHED INTO RAGING SEAS

Unprecedented High Tides At San Diego Cause Considerable Damage

BUILDING BULKHEADS

Citizens Work Frantically in Efforts to Save Property From Storm

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 13—(U.P.)—Unprecedented high seas washed several homes in the Mission Beach section into the sea today. A number of other dwellings were threatened by high tides which have been pounding for several days.

Hundreds of citizens, aided by city employes, are working frantically in the construction of bulkheads to hold back the heavy seas. Unless these bulkheads are speedily constructed heavy property damage will result along that section of the city.

Many residents of the Mission Beach district are moving their household goods and other property to higher ground for fear that it will be washed away by the heavy seas.

Y. M. C. A. TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

Interesting Program Arranged for Function Next Thursday Night

An interesting program has been arranged for the annual meeting and banquet of the Ashland Y. M. C. A., to be held at the Lithia Springs hotel next Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

J. W. Palmer, Portland entertainer and Y. M. C. A. official, will be the chief speaker. Other talks will be given by local Y. M. C. A. officials, detailing the progress made by the Ashland association during the past year.

For the past two years the Y. M. C. A. here has been conducted on a part-time basis by Cleo V. Howell, teacher of biology in the public schools, and has proven entirely satisfactory. Approximately 140 boys are interested in the work, including the numerous boys' clubs and Boy Scouts.

Asserts Big Tax Cut Impractical

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12—(U.P.)—Characterizing the \$456,000,000 tax reduction bill as "the most impractical thing in the world," Senator Smoot, Utah, assured President Coolidge today that he was confident the bill would be cut to a safe figure before congress has finished with it.

Many Arrested in Alleged Greatest Alcohol Combine

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 13—A gigantic alcohol ring which is declared to have done \$72,000,000 worth of business during the past two years was uncovered here today by federal operatives. It is thought to be the largest liquor ring in the United States.

Allan Squires, employe of a wholesale house, is under arrest here as the reputed distributor. There are said to be 25 others under arrest in Cleveland and Duluth.

Body of Murdered Girl Held to be Member of Chorus

NEW YORK, Feb. 13—Another Broadway but-terfly has fluttered too close to the fast burning candle.

The body of a murdered girl found hidden in a snow bank in East 54th street in the heart of the theatrical district, was identified today as that of Miss Elsie Regan, 22, a chorus girl. The identification was made by Eva Davis, her roommate. The dead girl had been playing in cabarets recently.

LEGION POST TO STAGE BIG SHOW

"The Black and White Revue" Will be Given Here in March

Ashland post No. 14, American Legion, is going to stage a big home talent show during the first week of March. This was decided last evening when the entertainment committee of the post met with Jack Coyle, theatrical director, and arranged for the production.

"The Black and White Revue" is the title of the show which the ex-service men will put on under Coyle's direction. It will be comprised chiefly of vaudeville turns and sketches. Mr. Coyle recently directed an American Legion show at Roseburg and comes here highly recommended by the Roseburg post, as well as by the Cavemen at Grants Pass.

SLAYER OF WOMAN DIES ON GALLOWES

Harry Garbutt Pays Extreme Penalty at San Quentin Penitentiary

SAN QUENTIN, Cal., Feb. 13—(U.P.)—While rain beat the gray walls of San Quentin penitentiary, Harry Garbutt, formerly of Chicago, went to his death on the gallows here today. The trap was sprung at 10:42 and prison physicians pronounced him dead 14 minutes later.

Garbutt was hanged for the murder of Mrs. Dorothy Lee Hunn, wife of a Chicago ink manufacturer, in Pasadena in September, 1924.

Auto Bandits Get \$2500 in Daring Daylight Robbery

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 13—(U.P.)—Three bandits in a closed car today robbed Ben Black, collector for the Bradford Baking company, and escaped with \$2500 in cash. They drove in front of Black's car and forced him into the curb, where they took the money at the point of guns. They made their escape in the maze of noon hour traffic.

Lumber Company Plans New Plant

The Owen-Oregon Lumber company will start construction of a new \$500,000 saw mill, according to announcement in Medford. The mill will be electrically operated throughout and will have a capacity of 327,000 feet for two eight-hour shifts. It expects to be in operation by the first of next year, and when completed will give employment to an additional 250 men, according to officials.

POLICE SEEK KILLERS; RUM PLOT PROBED

Bootleggers Are Suspected in Brutal Ohio Double Murder Case

COUSINS ARE SLAIN

Liquor War Thought to be Responsible for Slaying of Ohio Pair

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Feb. 13—(U.P.)—Police today were entering their search on suspected bootleggers in an effort to apprehend the murderers of Dominic and Ruseario Russo, cousins, who were slain early this week in what is believed to have been a warfare between rival bootleggers.

The bodies of the two men were discovered beneath a robe of their abandoned automobile which had been stalled on a country road four miles north of here. Their necks were bound together with rope and both had been brutally beaten about the head and body. They had been suspected as being implicated in illicit liquor traffic for some time.

Police are working on the theory that rival bootleggers waylaid the pair or enticed them to some unknown place and then tortured them to death. The bodies then were driven to the spot where the abandoned auto was found, the police believe.

TIA JUANA SUSPECT ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Owner of Saloon, Held in Death Probe, Slashes Wrists in Jail

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 13—(U.P.)—Luis Amador, proprietor of the Oakland bar, held in the Tia Juana jail with Chief of Police Llamas as principal suspects in the Petzet family suicide pact probe, attempted to end his own life last night by slashing his wrists. The attempt was discovered in time to prevent death.

TAX REDUCTION MEASURE PASSES

Senate Approves Measure in Late Night Session; Plan Conference

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 13—(U.P.)—The federal tax reduction bill was passed in the senate at 11 o'clock last night. Carrying a reduction of \$456,000,000, the measure now goes to a conference committee of both house and senate.

Committees representing these two bodies will meet Monday in an effort to reconcile the differences in the bill as passed by each body.

Local Volley Ball Team Wins Contest

The volley ball teams representing the Ashland and Grants Pass banks enjoyed a fierce encounter last night at the old normal school building, with the local bankers carrying off the honors. The members of the local team were: F. S. Engle, V. O. N. Smith, J. H. Wenner, and J. W. McCoy.

Coos Editor Found Dead This Morning

MYRTLE POINT, Ore., Feb. 13—(U.P.)—J. M. Bledsoe, former editor of the Coos County American, was found dead in bed today, a victim of apoplexy. He also had published papers in Eastern Oregon and Southern Idaho. The body will be shipped to Boise Sunday for burial.

SCOUTS ENTERTAIN FATHERS; PATRIOTIC PROGRAM IS HELD; 2 ANNIVERSARIES OBSERVED

A group of Ashland dads came into their own at Pioneer Hall and Lithia Park last night when they were guests of their sons, members of troop two, Boy Scouts, at a combined Scout anniversary and Lincoln Day program.

It was the sort of meeting which brings dads closer to their boys and the boys closer to their dads in that splendid spirit of comradeship which makes for better citizenship.

At the hall the boys staged an inter-club tournament with first aid work, knot tying and other Scout activities, with the fathers serving as judges.

Adjourning from the hall, they went in a body to the Lincoln statue at the park where a brief patriotic program was staged. A short talk on Abraham Lincoln was given by Rev. H. F. Pemberton, pastor of the Methodist church. Marion Frost, a Scout, gave a brief talk on the life of Lincoln. The meeting closed with a renewal of the Scout oath and the sounding of taps as the Scouts and their fathers stood with bared heads under the shadow of the Lincoln statue.

Home Billings, scoutmaster for Troop Two, was in charge of the program.

FAST BASKETBALL GAME ON TONIGHT

Ashland High School Will Meet Central Point Squad

Ashland high school's friends and supporters will be out in force tonight when the speedy basketball quintet will line up against the clever Central Point high school team at the armory. Central Point has been winning its games this season with almost unflinching regularity and the game tonight promises to be speedy and closely contested throughout.

A preliminary game will be staged between the girls' team of the high school and one recruited from the high school alumni. The first game will start promptly at 7:30.

MRS. CLEVINGER CALLED BY DEATH

Ashland Woman Passes Funeral Will be Held at Los Angeles

Mrs. Elizabeth Starbuck Clevenger, age 65 years, passed away at her home, 590 Allison street, on Friday afternoon at 3:30, after a week's illness with pneumonia. The body is being shipped to Los Angeles for funeral services and burial, J. P. Dodge and Son, Funeral Directors in charge.

She was born in Randolph County, Indiana on June 7, 1860. She was a teacher in Indiana for seven years before her marriage to James B. Clevenger. In 1912 she went to Los Angeles, then to Ashland four years ago. She leaves one son, C. P. Clevenger, of Ashland, and three daughters, Mrs. H. B. Smith, of Titusville, Florida; Mrs. Charles Starbuck, San Jacinto, California, and Mrs. Letta Eastburn, of Ashland.

Dairy And Poultry Prices to be Good

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 13—Dairy and poultry products will bring big prices during the present year, according to a forecast issued today by the U. S. Department of agriculture. The demand for these products will continue to be heavy with prices following the usual seasonal course.

Prince of Wales Guard Increased

LONDON, Feb. 13—(U.P.)—The Evening Star today declares that the Prince of Wales' personal bodyguard has been doubled, but does not state the reasons therefor. Subsequently at St. James Palace, it was explained that the bodyguard had merely been brought up to the required strength and that there was no significance in the move.

3 BANDITS PAY DEATH PENALTY AT DAWN TODAY

Illinois Takes Lives of Two Cowboy Bandits And One Other

SENSATIONAL CRIME

Leaders of Drake Hotel Robbery Hanged in Cook County Jail

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 13—(U.P.)—Illinois this morning took the lives of three murderers, two in Chicago and one in Jacksonville.

Jack Woods and Joe Holmes, cowboy bandits from Texas who participated in the spectacular raid on the fashionable Drake hotel last July, were hanged together in the Cook county jail at dawn.

Alva Grinett was hanged in the county jail at Jacksonville for the murder of William Steele, Nortonville merchant, who was shot to death last September.

The attempted holdup of the Drake hotel was one of the most sensational crimes ever staged in Chicago. A group of bandits entered the hotel and cowed hundreds of patrons with their revolvers. Frank Rodkey, an officer, entered the lobby of the hotel during the robbery and engaged in a gun battle with the bandits. Several of the bandits were killed before Rodkey fell mortally wounded. It was for his murder that Woods and Holmes today paid the extreme penalty.

BISHOP SUMNER TO BE HERE TONIGHT

Reception to be Held at Episcopal Parsonage For Church Leader

Bishop Walter Taylor Sumner of the Episcopal diocese of Oregon will arrive in the city late this afternoon and will be honored at a reception to be held at the parsonage this evening. He will be the guest of Rev. P. K. Hammond during his stay in the city.

Bishop Sumner will preach at the morning services tomorrow, and will occupy the pulpit at the Episcopal church in Medford tomorrow night.

GRANTS PASS BOY IS SERIOUSLY CUT

Raymond Lutman is Near Death as Result of Stabbing Affray

GRANTS PASS, Feb. 13—(U.P.)—Raymond Lutman, 17, was in a critical condition here today as a result of being stabbed by "Cotton" Garrett in a street fight here Thursday night.

Garrett is about the same age as Lutman, but considerably smaller, and is said to have drawn a knife when he realized he had no chance in a fist fight. Authorities indicated today that Garrett would be charged with murder if Lutman's wounds prove fatal.

Smallpox Epidemic In Los Angeles On Increase; 12 Dead

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 13—More than a score of new cases of smallpox were reported late yesterday in Los Angeles, according to Dr. George Parrish, city health officer. This makes a total of 32 new cases since last Sunday, it was reported.

There have been 367 cases since the first of the year, the health records disclose. Thus far 12 deaths have been attributed to the epidemic.

Proposed Site For Golf Course Given Inspection

With the return to the city early next week of Harry Tomlinson, it is expected that a definite announcement will be made as to the location of the golf course for the proposed Ashland Golf club.

R. McPherson, golf professional at Medford, was here yesterday afternoon and made an inspection of the several proposed sites in company with Will Dodge and H. C. Galey, members of the site committee, together with C. A. Malone, one of the leading golf enthusiasts.

Mr. McPherson was loud in his praise of the Elliott tract, 5-1-2 miles north of the city on the Pacific highway. He declared it would make one of the finest 18-hole courses in the northwest.

The club proposes to start first with a 9-hole course and add to it later.

Members of the site committee will take no action until Mr. Tomlinson returns and has an opportunity to study the report of Mr. McPherson.

PORTLAND MAN IS HELD AS ARSONIST

Probe Discloses Five Separate Fire Plants in Damaged Home

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 13—Discovery of five separate and distinct plants of paper and kindling in the partially burned home of Sennie Kiehl in the Alberta district, led to his arrest on a charge of attempted arson, following an investigation by deputies of the fire marshal's office.

Kiehl was unable to give a good account of his actions on the night of the blaze, and he was ordered held to the grand jury following a preliminary hearing in municipal court. Fire authorities allege his house was over-insured.

CHAMBERLAIN ON WAY TO RECOVERY

Former Oregon Senator Steadily Improves Since Recent Stroke

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 13—(U.P.)—George E. Chamberlain, former United States senator from Oregon, continues to show marked improvement since he was stricken with paralysis more than a week ago. He passed another restful night last night and showed no temperature today. His complete recovery is expected by attending physicians.

Pullman Porters To Get Increase

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 13—Here's a welcome valentine for Pullman porters throughout the country. Effective Feb. 15, a 10 per cent wage increase will be given all Pullman porters and mends. It affects 12,000 employes. The starting wage will range from \$72.50 to \$90.50 per month. The maximum will be from \$83.50 to \$104 per month.

THE WEATHER

Oregon and Washington—Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday. Slight changes in temperature. Moderate easterly winds along coast.

LINCOLN DAY BANQUET GETS RECORD CROWD

More Than 300 Attend Annual Republican Function At Medford

C. A. MALONE ELECTED

Ashland Man Named President; Edgar B. Piper Chief Speaker

Clyde A. Malone of this city was unanimously elected president of the Jackson County Lincoln club at the anniversary banquet in Medford last night at the Medford hotel, when more than 300 leading citizens of Jackson county and visitors from all parts of the state gathered to do homage to the Great Emancipator.

Other officers elected were: C. C. Lemon, Medford, vice president and Elmer Wilson, Medford, secretary treasurer. Paul McDonald, president of the club presided and introduced Irving E. Vining of this city, who acted as toastmaster. Rev. T. H. Temple, of Medford, delivered the invocation.

Mr. Vining presided. In assuming the place as toastmaster, Mr. Vining stated it was very fitting that on Lincoln's birthday, 117 years after the birth of the martyred president, the spirit of fair play should prevail in the settlement of the great coal strike in the east.

Frank Van Dyke, a Medford student, delivered Lincoln's famous Gettysburg speech.

Edgar B. Piper, editor of The Portland Oregonian who was the main speaker of the evening, was introduced by Mr. Vining as the editor who has brought national recognition to Oregon news and opinions, a man who has done as much as any other individual to bring prosperity, development and happiness to the Oregon country.

Lincoln a Miracle. Mr. Piper in his introduction stated: "The miracle of Abraham Lincoln is unexplainable unless we face and declare the truth about it—inspiration. It may have been inspiration from without or from within. I will not quarrel with anyone about that. It may well be true that Abraham Lincoln was nurtured in the bosom of Divinity itself and that the door of fate was opened for him by the mysterious and compelling hand of Omnipotence. But is it needful to say so much for another and a higher influence and so little for Abraham Lincoln himself? It is not necessary to think that he was, from the date of his obscure and unnoticed birth in the squalid bed of a rude Kentucky home, prepared for and dedicated to a particular

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SWAN ISLAND MAY BE FLYING FIELD

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 13—The Port of Portland commission has been requested by the Portland chamber of commerce and from other sources to convert Swan Island, a huge piece of wasteland in the lower harbor, into a flying field.

Investigation has shown that with material from dredging operations the island could easily be turned into a flying field 1,000 feet wide and 5,000 feet long.

Among others who have recommended such a move is Lieutenant Oakley G. Kelly, commander of Pearson flying field, Vancouver, Wash. Kelly is an experienced flyer whose greatest feat was to fly across the continent from New York to San Diego, California without stopping, in company with Lieutenant John A. MacReady. Port commissioners are said to be favorably impressed with the proposal. The port is presently engaged in digging a new channel around this island. From this channel sufficient material could be obtained to level the island, it was said.