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## MELLON SAYS DRINKING IS GROWING LESS

Secretary of Treasury Takes Issue With Moderation League

### EXPRESSIONS GIVEN

Political Leaders Give Their Ideas on Prohibition Question Now

BY RAYMOND CLAPPER  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—Drinking is on the decline in the United States, in the opinion of Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, who takes issue with the conclusions of the Moderation league.

Mellon says there is no doubt that the supply of liquor has decreased with more efficient prohibition enforcement. The campaign against rum-runners has cut off one big source. Not so much is coming in from Canada. The recent act of God in Florida with its destruction of shipping did more to help the prohibition situation there than the federal agents have been able to do, in Mellon's opinion.

**Fight is Orderly**  
One of Mellon's associates who attended the Dempsey-Tunney fight said that he saw very little drinking there. He said that in the old days of open saloons there would have been indescribable drunkenness among such an excited mob of 130,000 fight fans. This alone, he thought, was evidence that prohibition was prohibiting.

The last 24 hours have witnessed a sudden revival of the general discussion of prohibition. Much of it is due to publication of the Moderation league's report, which asserts drunkenness is on the increase, calls the Volstead act an utter failure, and says wider restriction would have been better.

**Leaders Speak**  
Other utterances and developments included these:

1—Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel of the Anti-Saloon league, denounced the report of the Moderation league as being without foundation.

2—William C. McAdoo, Democratic presidential aspirant, said in Los Angeles that New York and Maryland sought unrestrained liberty and were in effect in States.

3—Col. Frank Smith, Republican senatorial candidate in Illinois, said in Chicago that senators could not vote to legalize beer and wine without violating their oaths to support the constitution.

4—Mrs. Ella Boole, president of the W. C. T. U., said in Los Angeles that wets have made some progress in their campaign for beer and wine, but warned her fellow workers that compromise would mean defeat for prohibition.

**Seeks Modification**  
5—New York state Republican and Democratic conventions wrestled over prohibition planks with Democrats leaning toward modifications and Republicans inclined to stick to a simple law enforcement declaration.

Thus the prohibition question, the eternal bogey-man of politics, runs amuck again, defiant of all attempts to shush it into a corner. Such a group of developments indicates how universal the interest in this question is. Yet both parties, unable to take an outright position either wet or dry, continue their amphibian sidestep and talk loudly about something else.

## Southwest Storms Do Heavy Damage

TUCSON, Ariz., Sept. 29.—(UP)—Hundreds of families have been destroyed and small streams turned into torrents, causing a suspension of railroad and highway traffic in an area of over 400 miles in the southwest as the result of violent winds and rains.

## SOUTHERN OREGON BANKERS DISCUSS VARIOUS PROBLEMS

First Fall Meeting and Banquet of Group Held in This City

Discussion of the Oregon and California railroad land grant refund bill and the proposed state income tax which will appear on the November ballot comprised the chief business work of the Josephine-Jackson County Bankers Association, at a regular meeting and banquet held last night at the Letha Springs hotel. Fifty-one bankers from Jackson, Josephine and Klamath counties were in attendance.

The discussion on the land grant refund measure was led by W. H. Gore, who played a prominent part in Washington when this bill was before congress. The income tax bill discussion was led by J. W. McCoy of this city.

E. V. Carter, president of the First National Bank of Ashland, welcomed the outside bankers to the city and spoke on banking in general. Leslie Rodgers, cashier of the First National Bank of Klamath Falls, told the members that Klamath county at the present time has no branch of the state association and indicated that if an invitation should be extended, bankers of his section would be glad to join the Josephine-Jackson association. This matter will be taken up at a later meeting.

The association by unanimous vote decided to furnish the cup for the Southern Oregon inter-county football conference this fall.

R. P. Campbell, commonly known by the pen name of Dick Posey, entertained the bankers with three original readings which were warmly received.

President J. A. Churchill of the Southern Oregon state normal school, spoke on the normal school work. Roy Hackett of Grants Pass, vice-president of the association, presided as toastmaster.

## PUBLICITY MAN IS NAMED BY COUNCIL

W. H. Perkins Will Present Water Question to Local Voters

With the appointment today of W. H. Perkins of the Tidings editorial staff as official publicity director for the proposed bond issue to give this city an adequate water supply, the city council has completed definite plans to place this matter before the people in the fullest and fairest manner possible.

## TRAVELERS CHEQUES ARE REPORTED LOST

Local Merchants Warned to be on Lookout for Possible Forgery

Getting arrested in Ashland for speeding in public school zone was not the only hard luck encountered by William E. Ritchie, member of the school board at Beaver, Wash., on a recent auto trip to California.

According to word received here today by Chief of Police McNabb, four travelers cheques of \$20 each were stolen from the Washington tourist the day after he left Ashland, and local merchants are cautioned to be on the lookout for these forged cheques.

## COOLIDGE IS SATISFACTORY TO DEMOCRATS

Opposing Party in Massachusetts Willing For Him to Continue

### BUTLER IS OPPOSED

Will Make Determined Effort to Defeat President's Close Friend

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 29.—The Democratic party of Massachusetts is perfectly satisfied, for the time being, with President Coolidge. The president has the "respect and loyalty" of the Democrats of his home state.

But Senator William M. Butler, the president's close friend and advisor, is a gentleman of another color and the Massachusetts Democrats hope to do a national service by ousting him from the senate in favor of David I. Walsh.

Actual indignation was expressed by the Democrats as they met in state convention Tuesday over the fact that "until the issues are those in which the president is concerned, his friends are doing him no good by forcing him into the role of an issue." These were the words of James H. Vahey, the keynote speaker.

It was obvious that the Democrats were anxious to avoid risking Walsh's chances on a test of Coolidge's popularity in the state of his adoption and initial fame.

## CRATER LAKE WINS PRAISE OF EDITOR

B. F. Irvine Thanks R. W. Price for Kindness on Recent Trip

B. F. Irvine, blind editor of the Oregon Journal, was a guest of R. W. Price, managing director of Crater Lake Lodge, on a recent trip to Crater Lake, and his appreciation of the kindness shown him is expressed in the following letter received by Mr. Price last evening.

"In the Journal I have given some expression of what Mrs. Irvine and I got out of the trip to Crater Lake. A final article will appear Tuesday. One man who read the original article told me he had not intended to go to Crater Lake, but he is now going the next chance he gets.

"I am writing this note to express Mrs. Irvine's and my appreciation of your kindness in seeing that we had a good time. Mountains and lakes are wonderful, Dick, but good people count with me, and you are one of them. I have in words attempted to picture the scenes on the trips but there are no words to picture the human kindness shown us."

## Vaudeville Team Is Hit at Vining

Patrons of the Vining theatre last night enjoyed the vaudeville work of Burns and Loraine, which was given as a special added attraction. Billy Burns for the past 12 years has been the double for Harold Lloyd in picture work at Hollywood, and his appearance here was proof of his similarity to the popular screen comedian.

Burns and his partner put on an act consisting of singing, talking, eccentric dancing and Swiss yodeling.

**WILL KNOW FATE SOON**  
SALEM, Ore., Sept. 29.—(UP)—Elsworth Kelley and James Willos, convicted murderers in the prison escape a year ago, will be re-sentenced to hang just as soon as their attorney, Will R. King, is able to appear in court. They were to have been sentenced yesterday but this final legal action was delayed because of King's illness.

## NEW CHICAGO JUDGE TO MAKE EFFORT TO CLEAR UP DOCKET OF PENDING CRIMINAL CASES

CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—An earnest and spectacular attempt to clear the amazing Chicago crime docket for the first time in more than 10 years has been inaugurated by William J. Lindsay, new chief justice of the criminal court.

Judge Lindsay has selected October as "murder month," and during that 31 days he proposes to dispose of 11 of the big murder trials that have cluttered the records of the court through endless months of delays and postponements.

The plan is an experiment in swift justice, and Lindsay admits that it may not work. But he is determined to try, and the city is watching his moves with eager approval.

## Mexican City is Hit by Hurricane

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 29.—(UP)—Vera Cruz, Mexico, has been struck by a hurricane and tidal waves, according to meager word reaching here. The loss of life and property is not yet known.

## "QUEBEC PLAN" IS QUICKLY DENOUNCED

W. C. T. U. Convention Declares System Does Not Bring Results

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 29.—(U P)—Governmental control of liquor traffic known as the "Quebec plan" was denounced in the platform of the national Women's Christian Temperance convention here today.

"Wherever it has been tried it has increased drunkenness as compared with prohibition," read the platform.

## No Hope Held For Entombed Miners

IRONWOOD, Mich., Sept. 29.—(UP)—All 43 miners are alive, company officials announced late this afternoon. They will be reached within a few hours. Rescue workers have talked with the men, who are suffering from hunger.

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## ARGUMENTS GIVEN IN GRAFT TRIAL

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—Arguments in which the defense demanded the dismissal of charges of conspiracy against Harry M. Daugherty and Thomas W. Miller continued today, with indications that the case would not be dismissed and would continue tomorrow.

## DANISH NOBLEMAN ARRESTED FOR NARCOTICS

Baron de Plessen Placed in Jail Near Girl He Wants to Wed

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SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 29.—A "bottle" of narcotics, concealed in the hat of Baron Geo. de Plessen, has caused the arrest of the young Danish nobleman. Police grew suspicious of the baron last week after he rushed to the defense of Mrs. Louise Carroll when that comely young woman was jailed on charges of burglary and grand larceny. De Plessen insisted the woman was his fiancée and that he intended to marry her, so when he visited the prison Monday he was searched.

After the narcotics had been found, the baron admitted he was an addict. Police have checked de Plessen's lineage through the Danish consul here and found it genuine. The nobleman has a chicken ranch at Palo Alto.

"That's fine; now I'll be near Louise," said de Plessen when he was ordered locked up.

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## CAPITAL OF NEVADA THREATENED BY FIRE

Five Men Burned and Several Homes Destroyed in Big Blaze

CARSON CITY, Nev., Sept. 29.—(UP)—Five men have been burned seriously and four homes have been destroyed in a forest fire which is threatening Carson City, the capital of Nevada. Although the flames have been checked on the western edge of the city, forest rangers feared a menace on the south where the fire is spreading through forest lands.

## Barn is Partly Burned in Fire Late Last Night

Members of the fire department became farm hands for an hour or two last night during a fire in the barn owned by Welborn Beeson on First street opposite the natatorium.

Fire broke out beneath the barn and the fire fighters had a stubborn blaze to combat. A team of horses and harness were first removed to safety and the firemen then pitched in to save about four tons of hay which were stored in the barn. They succeeded in saving about half of it. The cause of the fire could not be determined. It occurred shortly after 10 o'clock last night.

## CAMPUS LIFE IS SHOCKING SAYS DIVINE

Preacher - Editor Declares Co-ed Institutions Need Moral Bath

### PROFESSORS BLAMED

Rev. William B. Spofford Hurlbult Broadside at College Training

BY EARL J. JOHNSON  
CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—Goings on too shocking to print prevail in the co-educational institutions of the land, according to Rev. William B. Spofford, editor of the Witness, an obscure organ of the Episcopal church, which came into national prominence recently by publishing a series of attacks on the American coed under the signature of Wilfred Cross, a sociology student from the University of Illinois.

Rev. Spofford has come to the defense of these remarkable essays with a blast against the morals of the American campus which compare favorably with the cruel thrusts of young Cross, himself.

**Conditions Bad**  
"I am proud that our paper took this opportunity of pointing out to its readers the conditions as they actually exist among the young people of our day," the divine says in an editorial upholding the articles. The editor then reveals that he has made an investigation of campus life on his own initiative and has found them just as Cross said, if not worse.

"When I was in college, morals were very bad, but in those days we had what is called a conscience," the reverend says. "But today this moral standard is breaking down. Young people do what the world considers to be wrong without having any sense apparently of shame or remorse.

**Teachers to Blame**  
"I attribute this largely to the teacher of the newer psychology of behaviorism, which teaches that man is a mere animal whose actions are to be explained as the result of stimulus and response. I believe this idea has been taken up to a dangerous degree by college undergraduates, due to the teaching of a lot of 'smart' professors.

"Last year I visited in several universities. Wherever I went, as I went, as I wrote at the time, there was real concern on the part of authorities over the laxness of moral conduct. Tales were told me by professors, students, pastors and matrons which cannot be printed here; and will not be printed here, for certainly I have no intention of betraying the confidence of friends working in these institutions of learning. But let nobody doubt that the facts are to be had if they are sought diligently.

**Stories Substantiated**  
"Rev. Horace Fort, secretary of the Berkeley divinity school, was at about this same time visiting in Mid-Western universities for the purpose of interesting men in the ministry. He stayed at my home for a few days. He repeated tales that had been given to him. Mr. Cross, recently out of one of these universities, was with us when we discussed the matter. He substantiated the general story. He also agreed with me that the newer psychology was to a large degree responsible.

"I therefore asked Mr. Cross to write the articles which have appeared in this paper. He did so, and I feel that he did a good job."

**BOAT CALLING FOR HELP**  
ASTORIA, Ore., Sept. 29.—(UP)—The United States bureau of fisheries boat, Brant, is calling for help off North Head, Wash., according to word received here. Two life saving crews, the coast boat Guide and the tug Arrow are hastening to the vessel's assistance.

