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THE WEATHER Fair in the interior tonight and tomorrow. Normal temperature

GROCERY SLIP LINKS AIMEE WITH KENNETH

Handwriting Found at Carmel is Identified By Expert PROSECUTION CLOSES Religious Leader Carried into Court And Hears Testimony

BY DAN CAMPBELL United News Staff Correspondent LOS ANGELES, Oct. 19. (United News)—On the walls of Angelus temple a handwriting as dramatically significant as Aimee Semple McPherson as the four words of biblical legend were to the ancient feasters of Babylon was scrawled by the prosecution late Tuesday as the state brought its case against the famous evangelist to a close.

"Mene, mene, tekel, upharin," the invisible hand wrote on the wall of the banquet room at Belshazzar's feast, but in their place the state substituted "Prunes, Pears, Bran and Tapioca." Damaging Testimony These words, written on a grocery slip found at the Carmel "love cottage" were identified by a handwriting expert, who testified they were written by the same hand that penned the "light of darkness" sermon, which the evangelist had admitted was written by her.

And with these grab emblems of domesticity the state contends, they have linked the famous evangelist with an amorous vacation with Kenneth G. Ormiston, her former radio operator, at Carmel-by-the-Sea, while the evangelist was supposed to have been the captive of kidnappers. Aimee Appears The lethargic atmosphere which pervaded the case as it dragged into the fourth week was dispelled when the evangelist was carried into the courtroom Tuesday in a wicker armchair, suffering, it was reported from gangrene poisoning, resulting from a pin prick on her left leg.

During the noon recess Mrs. McPherson had the wound lanced at Angelus temple, and her physicians advised her that in order to go back to the courtroom she would have to be taken in a wheel chair.

Shows Pain As the afternoon session began she was carried in over the heads of a crowd. The hearing wore on and her face became drawn and flushed from the pain of the infection, which she claims was caused by a poison pin placed intentionally in her courtroom chair last Saturday. Milton Carlson, handwriting expert, making his identifications from 30 years experience and with the aid of powerful microscopes became Mrs. McPherson's most dangerous accuser as the state prepared to rest its case.

Is Hard Blow It was the hardest blow the defense has suffered inasmuch as it was the first time science had been called upon to refute in part, the story she told of her kidnaping and imprisonment and her 20 mile walk through the sands of the Mexican desert last June.

Carlson identified the handwriting in the sermon found at the beach as the work of a "slovenly and uneducated hand."

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"I Could Die," He Said; He Did

BLACKBURN, England Oct. 20.—"I could die doing this," exclaimed J. J. Tomlinson, during the final steps of a Charleston with his fiancée, as the music ceased he collapsed and died within five minutes of heart failure.

That The People May Know

There has been so much misunderstanding concerning the proposed increase in rates if the water bonds should carry, that this article will seek to shed further light on this question, that there might be no misconception of what the people of Ashland might expect.

It must be understood now and for all time that the water rates must be increased whether the bond issue carries or not. Sound business methods compel an increase in rates as the city of Ashland, at the present time, is furnishing water at less than cost.

No private concern can long remain in business, and sell its commodity at less than cost. The people do not expect it, nor should they expect it. The same holds true with the municipal corporation.

The increase in rates which has been proposed and which will soon become effective, will be approximately 80 percent higher than the present rates. Even with this increased water charge, Ashland consumers will be getting their water cheaper than the people of Medford. They will be getting water cheaper than practically every city of the same size in Oregon, and what is more, they will be getting better water than do most of these other cities.

The present water distribution system in Ashland is wholly inadequate, with many pipes leaking and almost worn out. In many places there are two-inch mains where they should be four inches, and four-inch mains where they should be six inches. It is estimated that close to 25 percent of the present water supply is lost through these leaking, worn out pipe lines.

There is only one way in which this can be corrected. That is the construction of new mains and a general replacement of the present distribution system, together with a much-needed equalization reservoir to reduce the present pressure.

It would be useless, according to members of the council and their engineers, to authorize the construction of a new storage dam in Ashland Creek canyon unless authority is given to repair and enlarge the present distribution system. In fact, both projects are so closely interwoven that one cannot fulfill its purpose without the other.

ANOTHER CANDIDATE SPENDING TOO MUCH

A. Scott Bullitt of Seattle to Come Under Official Probe

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 20.—(UP)—Charging that A. Scott Bullitt, democratic candidate for senator in the state of Washington, has already spent over \$100,000, R. Sumner, chairman of the republican committee in Washington, has sent a telegram to Chairman Reed of the investigating committee, and as a result Reed has ordered an official investigation.

Sumner said he is certain that Bullitt's expenditures will reach 300,000 before the end of the campaign.

Rumania Queen Is Invited To Lunch By Kiwanis Club

THE DALLAS, Oct. 20.—(United News)—Kiwanians of The Dallas desire the presence of Queen Marie of Rumania as their luncheon guest. The queen will pass through this city on Nov. 3 enroute to Portland, and the Kiwanis club, upon learning of her itinerary, promptly wired its invitation.

Use Airplane To Find Stolen Car

SALINAS, Cal., Oct. 20.—(United News)—An airplane has been used successfully in pursuing a stolen automobile. Flying from Oakland, Deputy Sheriff Jack Collier, and Aerial Deputy Metzger arrived here Tuesday in time to head off Paul Garretty and a machine belonging to Joseph Carter, an Oakland automobile agent.

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GRAFT CHARGE MADE AGAINST JIM FERGUSON

Road Contractors Testify He Solicited Financial Aid HEARING UNDER WAY Legislative Body is Probing Alleged Act of Former Governor AUSTIN, Texas, Oct. 20.—(United News)—Charges against the conduct of state departments under the administration of Governor Miriam A. Ferguson are being aired here before a special legislative committee, appointed to investigate among other things the working of the highway committee. The name of former Governor James E. Ferguson has been brought before the hearing in connection with the inquiry into letting of road contracts in Texas. Wanted \$500

At Tuesday's session, C. M. Kelley, San Antonio, road contractor, testified that Ferguson had asked him to join in a "road education" advertising campaign to the extent of \$500. The advertisements were to appear in Ferguson's Forum, the former governor's weekly newspaper. Kelly said he believed he would be placed in the good graces if Ferguson or he bought the advertising, but denied it was any sort of graft.

Percentage Asked J. D. Windsor, another road contractor, previously had testified that Ferguson had invited him to bid \$75,000 on a project and charged that the former governor expected to receive ten percent of this amount. Ferguson has charged a political frame-up is responsible for the allegations.

TO PROBE DEATH MARSHFIELD, Ore. Oct. 20.—(UP)—A probe was started today into the death of C. S. Martin, 56, who died suddenly. It is thought he brushed his teeth with insect poison which he used by mistake.

HURRICANE BRINGS HEAVY DAMAGE TO PROPERTY IN CUBA

HAVANA, Cuba, Oct. 20.—(UP)—A hurricane wrecked between 200 and 300 houses in Havana today and then passed beyond the city at 11 o'clock this morning. More than half the trees in the city were either blown down or partially uprooted. Telephone, telegraph and power lines are down and streets are strewn with plate glass and building materials. It is not yet known whether or not any lives were lost, although it is feared that later results will add a list of fatalities to the present property toll. Damage to crops throughout the island is reported to be enormous.

Queen Is Given Rousing Ovation

BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 20.—(UP)—Queen Marie of Rumania received a series of ovations upon her arrival here this afternoon in a drizzling rain. The streets from the outskirts of the city were packed with spectators. The queen's party arrived here after a fast ride from Annapolis where she reviewed the midshipmen.

MEDFORD MEN AND TICKET AGENTS TO BE ASHLAND GUESTS

Forum Luncheon Tomorrow Noon Promises to Be Big Affair

Sixty Medford business men will break bread with Ashland folks at the Lithia Springs hotel tomorrow noon as a prelude to the visit here early in the afternoon of 175 railroad ticket agents of the United States who will be in Ashland and Medford for the afternoon. The Medford men, headed by Ex-mayor Gates as principal speaker, will take charge of the chamber of commerce forum luncheon, and then, accompanied by a local delegation, will meet a north-bound special Southern Pacific train at 1:30 p. m. to welcome the ticket agents upon their arrival here. The ticket agents will be taken on auto rides in and about Ashland and then to Medford where they will again board their special train. The luncheon tomorrow will be devoted to whatever the Medford folks think best, including the court house removal project which will be on the November ballot.

LABOR COMMISSION CANDIDATE IS HERE

G. A. Von Schrittz of Portland is Visitor in This City

On a tour of Southern Oregon in the interests of his candidacy for state labor commission, G. A. Von Schrittz of Portland, democratic nominee for state labor commissioner, was in Ashland today. Mr. Von Schrittz has been engaged in electrical and steam engineering and was formerly connected with the lead mining industry in Idaho. He is a native of Ohio.

The candidate believes that the state laws should be amended so that it would be a misdemeanor for any employer to defraud an employe of any part of his wage.

WILL ATTEMPT NEXT WEEK TO OUST HARTLEY

Recall Petitions Against Washington Governor to Be Signed SIGNATURES SOUGHT

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 20.—(UP)—Petitions urging the recall of Governor Hartley, accused of malfeasance in office, will be circulated throughout the state the first of next week, it was announced today by B. F. Blaine, secretary of the recall committee. The signatures of 98,000 registered voters are necessary before the recall election can be held. Bids for the printing of the petitions were called for today by Secretary of State J. Grant Hinkle.

Unexpired Term Under the Washington law the lieutenant governor serves out the unexpired term of the executive if the latter is removed from office by means of the recall. Although no announcement has been forthcoming, it is generally believed here that Governor Hartley will take the stump in a state-wide speaking campaign in defense of his policies.

Public disapproval of the removal of President Henry Suzzalo of the University of Washington brought about concerted effort to initiate the recall movement.

Coolidge Envoys Flees Shanghai In Great Hurry

PEKING, China, Oct. 20.—Carmi Thompson, President Coolidge's personal representative, departed hurriedly for Shanghai to avoid a gigantic circulating movement of radical forces which is designed to sweep the country clean of reactionary militarists. Thompson left, fearing a disruption of railroad service.

CONGREGATION NOT TO BE ALLOWED TO STAGE BIG PROBE

Demonstration for Accused Texas Preacher to Be Stopped

FORT WORTH, Texas, Oct. 20.—(United News)—Apparently there will be no parade of his congregation the night before the Rev. J. Frank Norris, Baptist minister, goes on trial here for the murder of D. E. Chipps, wealthy lumberman. Applications from the board of deacons of Norris' church to the city council for permission to hold a demonstration parade was disregarded by Mayor Meacham. Norris, who claims self-defense in the slaying of Chipps in the former's church study last July, goes on trial the first week in November.

PORTLAND YOUTH IS NABBED IN CHICAGO

Pacific Coast Boys Admit Making Living as Purse Snatchers

CHICAGO, Oct. 30.—(United News)—Captured a few minutes after they had stolen a woman's pocketbook today, two seventeen-year-old boys, John Nowlove of Portland and Joseph Harris of Seattle, admitted to police they had been making their living here for the last month by snatching women's purses. Two officers, cruising along in a police car, were attracted by the screams of Mrs. Ella Zeelenowicz, when she was molested by the pair and after a short chase caught the two youths still carrying the woman's purse.

Basketball Squad Starts Practice

Basketball practice will start tonight for the boys of the Southern Oregon state normal school, and Walter Hughes, athletic director, has made it plain to the students that he will expect them to work hard and get in good physical condition as speedily as possible. To all appearances, there is some splendid basketball material at the normal, and with Coach Hughes to whip them into shape, the boys ought to produce a formidable hoop team. Arrangements are now being made to secure games with the Monmouth normal school and other institutions throughout the state. The boys will practice at the armory. It is also felt that the people of the city should take a greater interest in athletic activities and other school functions.

Williams Service Station Is Sold

Announcement has been made of the sale of the Williams Service station to J. D. McRae, well known local resident. Earnest Williams who has made a large circle of friends while in business here, has expressed his thanks and appreciation for the splendid support given him. He will remain in Ashland for several weeks.

McCoy Will Talk On Tax Measures

J. W. McCoy of the First National Bank will discuss the various income tax measures appearing on the November ballot at the weekly luncheon of the Ashland Kiwanis club Friday noon. Mr. McCoy has made a careful study of these various measures and will devote approximately 30 minutes to a thorough discussion of them. There will be no special music.

POINCARRE UNCERTAIN PARIS, Oct. 20.—(UP)—Premier Poincarre today decided to postpone a discussion of debt funding agreements with the United States until next year.

ENFORCEMENT IS PRINCIPAL ALASKA ISSUE

Liquor Law Violations Center About Heated Campaign There CHARGES ARE MADE

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Oct. 20.—(United News)—With the approach of the territorial elections the topic of liquor law enforcement has come to the front of Alaskan campaign discussions. Major Josiah Kemp, commander of the local military post, declared in a public address that he had discovered 39 places where liquor was being sold on Main street, Anchorage. Asked to comment on the speech Deputy Marshal Staser said that Major Kemp "did not get them all by any means." "But owing to the search warrant laws and the apathy of the public it is impossible to cope with the situation," Staser added. Supporters of Delegate Dan Sutherland charge that the territory has been open to the liquor traffic to further candidacy of Clarence Marquand, who is contesting Sutherland's seat.

SCHOOL SPIRIT WILL BE BOOSTED BY CLUB

Hi-Y Boys Hold Dinner and Plan to Stimulate More Interest The regular meeting of the Ashland Hi-Y Club was held in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. in Pioneer Hall, last evening. Dinner was prepared and served by Jack Nims, Ronald Gaudin and Barney Miller. Ben Harrell and Joseph Harrell were elected to membership in the club. These new members will be initiated in the very near future. Following the business session of the club a discussion of school spirit was held. This is the first of a series of discussions to be held on school problems. Those present felt something should be done to stir up the spirit of the school and to get the students to back the various activities of the High School. The backing of the football eleven came in for some serious thought and discussion, and some real effort will be put forth to enthrone the students in the coming game.

F. M. Putney Answers Final Call After a Brief Illness

F. M. Putney, a Civil war veteran and an active member of the Medford G. A. R. post, died at his home in Medford Monday after a short illness. The deceased leaves to mourn him, four daughters, three sons, 13 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. The youngest son, C. H. Putney, and a granddaughter, Mrs. E. R. Isaac, reside in Ashland.

He Values Hands At Tidy Amount

CHICAGO, Oct. 20.—Abbe Lyman, orchestra leader, has taken out an insurance policy on his hands, providing 250 monthly benefits in the event his baton welders becomes incapacitated and providing a \$50,000 retire fund when he reaches the age of 55.

Chasing the Speeders

