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Fair tonight and Wednesday. Slight change in temperature.

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Y. M. C. A. DRIVE

Help the Y. M. C. A. in the drive which will start shortly.

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NOTED MURDER TRIAL STARTS ON WEDNESDAY

Widow and Relatives to Face Jury on Charge of Double Murder

STATE IN READINESS

Slaying of Four Years Ago May be Solved in Next Few Weeks

SOMERVILLE, N. Y., Nov. 2. (United News)—The Hall-Mills murder trial which opens today is likely to revolve around the testimony of two men, one of whom was upon the stand when the late Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall.

What caused the sudden switch from a feminine to a masculine point of focus was Senator Alexander Simpson's admission on the eve of the case's most sensational murder trial that Ralph Gorsline had become of his most important witnesses. The special prosecutor will work upon Gorsline as a witness in an effort to pin the murder of Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Mills directly upon Henry Stevens, Mrs. Hall's brother.

Admission Made Gorsline is said by a detective formerly employed on the case to have admitted encountering Henry Stevens at Phillips farm. "Get out of here, this is our affair." That is what the detective says Gorsline had told him, Stevens had blurted out on the night of the double murder four years ago.

Gorsline, a rather ascetic church member, has for four years denied all knowledge of the Hall-Mills crime, although recently he admitted being in Russy's lane that night with a woman other than Mrs. Gorsline. He still denies knowledge of the murders, declares the detective's story false and says: "There will be a day of reckoning after the trial."

Gorsline, however, is due to be the third witness called by the state.

Case Outlined—Simpson has builded his case so that Mrs. Jane Gibson, the "pig woman" will take the stand first. She will tell of seeing a group beneath the crab apple tree on Phillips farm on the night of September 14, 1922, and hearing shots fired. Gorsline himself will be called upon to tell what he saw from his parked automobile in "Russy's lane" and then will follow the remainder of Senator Simpson's witnesses as the prosecutor tries to build up his case against Mrs. Hall and her brothers, Henry and Willie.

Defense Ready The defense, which will not be heard from for some time has prepared alibis for the suspects. Senator Simpson will make his chief attack against that of Henry Stevens, who claims to have been away fishing at the time of the double murder at Phillips farm.

The result of the autopsy performed on the body of Dr. Hall and Mrs. Mills was made public Monday night by Senator Simpson. It showed that the couple had been slain with bullets from a .32 calibre revolver which they stood aright. Mrs. Mills' throat had been slashed by "an exceedingly sharp" weapon, but neither of the bodies had been otherwise mutilated.

The three bullets fired at Mrs. Mills were clustered.

Henry Stevens is an expert shot and was formerly a demonstrator for the Colt and Dupont companies.

TALENT IRRIGATION DISTRICT CAPTURES PRIZES ON PRODUCE

Fruits, Vegetables and Grains Win Awards at Portland Fair

More honors were received by the Talent Irrigation District at the Pacific International Livestock Exposition in Portland this week, according to word received here this morning.

The district received first award on 25 boxes of Newton apples; second on 25 boxes of Spitzenberg apples; second on five boxes of Spitzenberg; second on five boxes of Roman Beauties; both first and second on a five-box lot of pears; first on d'Anjou pears; first on Yellow Dent corn and first on white Dent corn. It also received three second prizes on varieties of barley.

The Talent Irrigation District captured many prizes at the annual state fair in Salem, proving that this district is without an equal for diversified farming in this state.

MANY ARRESTED IN PLOT ON MUSSOLINI

Secret Service Agents Had Been Working on Case Many Days

PARIS, Nov. 2. (United News)—More than 2,000 persons suspected of knowledge of the latest unsuccessful plot to assassinate Premier Mussolini were arrested in Italy during the week preceding the attempt at Bologna, according to advice from Rome Monday night.

The Italian police had discovered evidence of a plot against "Il duce," having found manifestoes containing threats addressed to Mussolini. As a precautionary measure they arrested every possible suspect, without word of their action being permitted to leave Italy.

Jersey Cow Is Back; Boys Are Held To Blame

It wasn't cattle rustling at all, but just mischievous youngsters who played a serious Halloween prank on R. D. Sanford, who reported to the police yesterday that a valuable Jersey cow had been stolen from his barn back of 299 Beach street Sunday night. The prized Jersey was found in a t e yesterday confectedly munching grass near the head of Ashland street and was returned to the owner. Because of the inconvenience the reported theft caused Mr. Sanford, police are seeking the identity of the boys who took the bovine.

Another Mystery Death Reported

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 2. (UP)—The body of an unidentified woman was found lying in east Portland this morning, bringing the mystery death toll to four in the past two weeks. There were no marks of identification on the body, the only mark on the body indicating violence being a blue spot on the neck. The body was found in an isolated spot, the nearest house being two blocks away. Police think the body was thrown there during the night.

Astoria Child Badly Burned

ASTORIA, Ore., Nov. 2. (UP)—Three-year-old Betty F. L. daughter of Captain and Mrs. Elmer Falk was the near victim of a post Halloween party, and Bryson Lausch was the youthful hero. The girl was wearing a pillow slip and carrying a lighted candle when she fell, the candle igniting her clothing. The boy stripped off the flaming garment and beat out the flames. The child was painfully burned but will recover.

INDIAN FROM KLAMATH WINS JAIL RELEASE

Millard Lang Put up Bail on Charge of Attacking His Wife

OTHER FEDERAL CASES

Alleged Bootleggers and White Slaver Appear in Portland Court

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 2. (United News)—Millard Lang, Klamath Indian, was released Monday on furnishing \$1,000 bail, after he had been brought from Klamath Falls by Deputy U. S. Marshall Wells on a charge of attacking his wife with a dangerous weapon.

Other cases brought here from Klamath Falls by Wells were: Frank Dooley, arrested at Chilouquin, was lodged in jail under \$2,500 bail on charges of liquor violations on the Klamath Indian reservation.

For White Slavery Mate Murusich was held under \$4,000 bond on white slave charges. His wife, Katherine, also was brought here as a material witness under \$1,000 bail. Murusich is charged with having transported the woman from Aberdeen, Wash., to Klamath Falls, and from Seattle to Los Angeles for immoral purposes.

PLANS ALL READY FOR Y. M. C. A. DRIVE

Workers Expect to go Over Top Within Three Days Canvas

"Everything is looking rosy for our Y. M. C. A. financial campaign," said O. F. Carson, general chairman, "and we expect to go over the top with the budget in three days." Yesterday the two division chiefs, H. C. Gale and J. O. Rigg succeeded in lining up five of the six team captains. Those selected were: Gale's division, S. D. Taylor, H. T. Mitchellmore, and one other to be chosen. Rigg's division are, G. A. Briscoe, L. H. Hansen and V. O. N. Smith. These captains with their chiefs, met with Mr. Carson and Mr. Walter in the Y. M. C. A. office last evening and selected five men each to work with the captains of the various teams. The names of the workers will be announced at a later date. This will give an organization of forty men who will give their time during the three days of the campaign. November 16-17-18, with the kick-off banquet on the evening of November 15.

"I never saw such a fine spirit among a group of men and people generally as there seems to be here," Secretary Walter stated, "and I surely speak for the success of the work." "Interest is growing in the Monday evening volleyball games at the old Normal gym, and the men are having some great times and beneficial exercise," C. C. Darling, chairman of the Y. M. C. A. physical committee stated. "Quite a number of business men who are mentally fatigued are finding a source of real recreation in this exercise," and an earnest effort will be made to add to the numbers already taking part," Mr. Darling said.

"The volleyball and gymnasium classes conducted by the physical committee of the Ashland Y. M. C. A. are open to any and all business men, and it is hoped by those interested that more of Ashland business and professional men will avail themselves of this opportunity for good fellowship and recreation." "If the average man knew what such exercise would do for him in a beneficial way, we could not accommodate those who would attend," Mr. Walter said. "In some cities the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium is crowded beyond capacity at every class for business men," the secretary stated.

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HE WANTED TO GO TO PRISON BUT WARDEN LILLIE WOULDN'T LET HIM THROUGH BIG GATES

THE DALLES, Ore., Nov. 2. — Because he had no authority to receive Giles Coleman, ex-Wasco county jailer, now under commitment to the state prison for a three-year term for embezzlement of county funds, Warden Lillie denied admission to the convicted man when Coleman "knocked for a cell" at the Salem penitentiary Monday morning, according to telephone advice to Sheriff Levi Christmas here today. Coleman appealed his case to telephone advice to Sheriff Levi Christmas here today. Coleman appealed his case to telephone advice to Sheriff Levi Christmas here today.

BODY OF HOUDINI IS ENROUTE TODAY TO NEW YORK CITY

No Funeral Plans Yet Made for Noted Magician Who Died

DETROIT, Nov. 2. — (United News) — In a bronze casket which he had built for one of his tricks, the body of the late Harry Houdini, master magician, has started to New York for final rites. A special pullman car for the body was attached to the "Detroit" which left here for New York at 7:10 last evening.

Butler Leading In First Votes

MASHPEE, Mass., Nov. 2. (UP)—Senator William H. Butler, personally endorsed by President Coolidge, and chairman of the republican national committee, led David Walsh Democrat, county treasurer, by nearly four to one in the first returns from Massachusetts today.

Keyes Is Freed In Crime Case

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 2. (United News) — Technical charges of embezzlement against District Attorney Asa Keyes, famous prosecutor of the McPherson case, were dismissed here Monday following the recommendation of Attorney General U. S. Webb. Two charges had been filed by the board of county supervisors.

S. P. Pays Its Douglas Taxes

ROSEBURG, Nov. 2. (United News) — The Southern Pacific paid \$102,308.04 to the Douglas county treasury Monday, constituting the second half of the year's taxes on the company's equipment, right of way and rolling stock.

Farm Relief Hinges Upon Cotton Belt

Methods Employed by the Southern Growers Under Close Scrutiny

NEW CREDIT SYSTEM

If This Plan Succeeds It May be Extended to Farmers Generally

BY THOMAS L. STOKES United News Staff Correspondent WASHINGTON, Nov. 2. — Future farm relief by the government probably will be influenced by the methods employed to finance holding of surplus cotton in the south reported as proceeding successfully by Eugene Meyer, jr., director of the war finance corporation, who has returned here from a trip through the cotton belt. Meyer assisted in organizing numerous financial corporations, designated as agricultural credit corporations in the intermediate credit act, which will lend money. Such corporations which can lend money to ten times their capital stock, have not been reported on a large scale before, as a means of farm relief. Plan is Given Now they have been organized all through the south, stock being subscribed by country banks, which they will displace as lending agencies. Intermediate credit banks cannot lend money directly to farmers. Formation of these agricultural credit corporations is necessary with farmers securing the loans in this way at low rates of interest and for long terms. This credit system ties up closely with the most recent plan of farm relief, that advocated some weeks ago by Secretary of Agriculture Jardine for formation of pools for withholding various crops—wheat, corn and others beside cotton from the market.

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Famous French Inventor Dies

PARIS, Nov. 2. (United News)—Colonel Deport, inventor of the famous French 75 millimetre gun, and often referred to as "the man who won the war," died Monday at Hougate.

BIG BUFFALO HUNT NOW IN PROGRESS IN STATE OF WYOMING

Animals Not Down

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Nov. 2. — (United News) — The old west lives again on Antelope Island, where hard riding hunters are engaging in America's last wild buffalo stampede. Nearly 300 of the shaggy creatures are marked for death, but they will die in the open, shot down under the same conditions which prevailed when others of their species roamed western plains a half century ago.

A. R. Leonard, president of the Scotty Philip buffalo ranch in South Dakota and the man who is conducting the big hunt wants no brutal slaughtering. "There will be only about one buffalo for every huntsman," he said, as the 30 day period of the hunt opened. "There will be about 250 of the world's best big game hunters here and they will get on their horses and go after their 'meat' just as Buffalo Bill and the rest of the old timers did. The fittest of the herd will be used for breeding."

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AUTO CRASHES INTO PRESIDENT'S TRAIN

Grade Crossing Accident Occurs in Maryland Early Today

WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 2. (UP)—Enroute with President Coolidge to Northampton, a special train carrying President and Mrs. Coolidge home to vote crashed into an automobile at a grade crossing at Aberdeen, Maryland, early today. The automobile was completely demolished but the two occupants escaped without injuries.

The safety gates at the crossing had been lowered, but W. J. Heid, driver of the auto, failed to heed them and drove onto the track, directly in the path of the train. President and Mrs. Coolidge were asleep when the accident happened.

Better Tourist Travel Expected This Next Year

L. H. Hansen, proprietor of the Hotel Ashland, returned Sunday evening from a business trip to San Francisco. Enroute he visited with the hotel men in several cities, and inspected many hotels. Oakland will dedicate its new million dollar Leamington Hotel, Dec. 15. This hotel will have a \$30,000 pipe organ and a garage and basement storage which will hold 160 cars. Mr. Hansen says that hotel men report that business was not as good as they expected this summer, but they all prophesy that next summer will be an exceptionally good one from a business standpoint, owing to the fact that the southern part of California is becoming over-crowded and people will be coming north to spend their vacations. The rice growers around Chick and Marysville did unusually well this year, getting 65 sacks to the acre. Twenty sacks are considered satisfactory.

Manila Reports Another Quake

MANILA, Nov. 2. (United News) — The fifth earthquake felt here within a week shook Manila shortly before ten o'clock Tuesday morning.

ELECTION RETURNS

The Tidings has arranged for complete election news tonight as soon as it is available, and Ashland residents are invited to be guests of this newspaper in receiving election returns. The combined wire services of United Press, United News and the Western Union have been arranged for, and the returns from all over the state will be received here as soon as they are compiled in Portland. Local returns in Ashland and Jackson county also will be completely covered in order to give Ashland residents complete information on the progress of the election. If you cannot come to The Tidings office, your inquiries by telephone will be answered.

Two elephants encountered a night mail train making the run from Singapore to the Malay states recently. The locomotive was slightly damaged, passengers were shaken up and one of the elephants was killed by the collision.

SLEUTHS ARE CHECKING UP ON CLOTHING

Los Angeles Detectives Seek to Connect Aimee With Trunk

REDDISH HAIR FOUND

Silk Finery in Ormiston's Trunk Alleged Owned by Evangelist

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 2. (United News)—The much heralded "Ormiston trunk," a modern Pandora's box in appearance, arrived here Monday, and before the last sheer bit of boudoir finery had been extracted from the depths of the container, three separate investigations to trace their ownership to Aimee Semple McPherson were under way.

Of the 67 units of apparel unpacked from the trunk ranging from slipper horns to luxurious opera gowns, the most unpretentious article, a common guest towel, nearly embroidered, was looked upon by district attorney investigators as the most significant as connecting the evangelist with a love tryst at Carmel. Same Design According to Deputy District Attorney Joe Ryan, a face cloth left behind by the woman who occupied the "love cottage" with Kenneth G. Ormiston has practically the same design as that on the towel.

Ryan conducted the official investigation at Carmel, contends that the same hand embroidered both designs. The state will further attempt to weld a second link in the chain, superinduced by the discovery of the radio man's baggage.

To Trace Dress A light blue dress trimmed with white will be taken to a cleaning establishment where its identification mark will be traced through the files. The state claims they have records that show this dress was delivered to Miss Emma Schaefer, private secretary to Mrs. McPherson on November 13, 1925 by employes of the cleaning company.

Strands of reddish hair, counterparts to that sent District Attorney Keyes from New York by air mail were said to have been found by the district attorney when he listed two women's combs. These will be compared with samples of the evangelist's hair under microscopic examination.

May Reopen Case It is considered probably that the contents of the trunk may result in a motion by the state to have the hearing reopened in order to admit the 67 exhibits.

Judge Blake will have completed a study of both state and defense briefs by Wednesday morning when final arguments will be made in court.

His Divided Attention

