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MANY ATTEND FIRST GOLF DINNER DANCE

Hotel is Scene of Gay Party When Golf Enthusiasts Gather

PRIZES ARE AWARDED

Amidst a galaxy of colorful decorations, one hundred and fifty Ashland golf enthusiasts gathered at the Lithia Springs hotel and enjoyed the first Golf Dinner dance to be held in this city, last night. The affair which started with an excellent dinner, at seven o'clock, and ended at midnight, after a couple of hours of dancing was highly successful, with those attending joining in the spirit of the occasion without reserve. Victor Mills, vice-president of the chamber of commerce and chairman of the general arrangements committee of the dinner dance, presided, and in his usual genial manner called for the introduction of guests and briefly outlined some of the things that were to take place throughout the evening.

Immediately after dining the guests were given time to inspect the many golf exhibits of local merchants which were placed on both the lobby and mezzanine floors. These exhibits showed much work and interest on the part of local merchants and did much to make the party a successful one.

Following this inspection tour, contests were staged in the ball room of the hotel, under the direction of Billy Selkirk, professional for the club. The ladies had a putting contest of their own, which was followed immediately by a similar contest with the men participating. Winners in the ladies contest were, Mrs. C. J. Read, first, a course of six golf lessons, given by Billy Selkirk. Second prize, Mrs. Conroy, a pair of golf stockings from McGee. Third prize, Mrs. Louis Dodge, golf stockings from Enders. Fourth prize, Miss Hall, a course of golf lessons, donated by the Lithia Springs Hotel. Fifth prize, Mr. Bacus, a pair of golf stockings from Isaacs.

Winners in the men's division were, First, O. M. Franklin, Putting disk from Provo Hardware. Second, Earl Crow, Golf Sweater from Millers Toggery. Third, E. C. High, Cap, Golden Rule Store. R. H. Price, a roll of adhesive tape from the Lithia Pharmacy. Following the contest, Billy Selkirk, gave a demonstration of some of the shots made in golf, as well as etiquette to be followed while on the course. President of the Golf Club, Louis Dodge and secretary, O. Winter, were introduced at the banquet, and both expressed themselves as being well pleased with the progress being made locally. Music throughout the dinner hour as well as for the dancing was furnished by the Cleveland-Provost orchestra. Community singing under the direction of Lou Hanson did much to enliven the dinner hour program.

Those present last night are looking forward to another event sponsored by the chamber of commerce, and similar to last night's festivities on the evening of December 21 at the Hotel Ashland.

D.O.K.K. Planning Ceremonial Here

Extensive preparations are being made for the D. O. K. K. ceremonial which will be held here on the afternoon and evening of Dec. 11th, according to plans announced today. Members of the order from all sections of Southern Oregon and Northern California will be here for the gathering. There will be a banquet at Odd Fellows hall in the early evening, with the ceremonial session and initiation to be held at the armory following the banquet. It is expected that at least 200 will be here for the ceremonial.

START NEW WAR ON COAST RUM RINGS

Federal Officials Transfer Campaign to Southern California

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—(UN)—With the legal phases of their war in this section against the Pacific coast rum ring completed, federal officials conducting the campaign are transferring their activities to Southern California, where developments of a highly sensational nature are anticipated.

Forty-two men and two women are being sought on warrants issued here as the result of federal grand jury indictments charging a gigantic conspiracy to violate prohibition laws. Mrs. Mabel Walker Wilberbrandt, assistant United States attorney general, left for Los Angeles tonight to go before a grand jury there with evidence which was expected to result in indictments against nearly 100 persons, including several prominent officials.

The return of the indictments here came early Tuesday after a 10 hour special session of the jury. Mrs. Wilberbrandt, after presenting a huge quantity of evidence to the jury room at 12:04 a. m. Six minutes later the blanket indictment was voted and in another three minutes had been returned in the United States district court, where it was placed on the secret file.

Names of those indicted were guarded zealously although it was conceded that they included Joe Parente, San Francisco bootlegging king; J. W. Ward, millionaire British Columbia liquor dealer, and a number of officials of the Consolidated Exporters, Ltd., of Vancouver, B. C. Hall in most cases was fined at \$20,000.

POLICE COMBINE IN SEARCH FOR FIEND

Important Clues Left in Attack on Latest Portland Victim

PORTLAND, Dec. 1.—(UN)—Police of two Pacific northwest cities are centering attention on a hunt for a human fiend who selects middle aged women for his victims and strangles them to death and who is thought to have killed five women, four in Portland and one in Seattle.

Portland was the last place he struck, smothering out the life of Mrs. Blanche Myers, 43, some time Monday afternoon. Her body was found early Tuesday morning under the bed in an upper chamber, with the nose and mouth tightly bound in a narrow strip of white cloth.

The most important clues left, according to police, are large blood-stained fingerprints in various places in the gory spattered room. The only other direct evidence is the statement of Alexander Muir, owner of the house which Mrs. Myers rented. He had lunch with the woman and her son, Lawrence, 18, Monday noon and said that after the boy had left a man called to look at a room she had for rent. Upon returning, he told police, she remarked:

"I don't like his looks, but it is better than having a vacant room."

All four strangulation cases in Portland, and the one in Seattle are very similar. In each case the women had advertised a room for rent and this caused officials to suspect that the strangler uses the pretense of wanting to rent the room to gain entrance to homes.

Another similar circumstance is that personal jewelry has been taken from the bodies in each case.

ROME DESTROYS PLANE CHRISTOPHER, III., Dec. 1.—(UN)—An airplane owned by J. L. Bailes was completely destroyed by a bomb, he advised authorities Tuesday. Bailes believes the plane was destroyed by gangsters who mistook it for the one used in a bombing expedition on the Birger roadhouse, near Harrisburg. He said he was a circus flyer and used the machine for exhibition purposes.

PROSECUTOR MAY ASK FOR MISTRIAL IN MURDER CASE

Claim Jurors Announced They Favor Acquittal For Widow

WORRY OVER WITNESS

Condition of "Fig Woman" Will be Deciding Factor in Hall-Mills Case

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Dec. 1.—(UN)—Upon the slender thread of life to which Mrs. Jane Gibson depends on the outcome of the Hall-Mills trial which was designed to clear up a mystery that has endured for four years.

If Senator Alexander Simpson believes that the "pig woman," who is critically ill with a complication of diseases, can leave to testify at a later trial he is determined to ask the court to declare the present proceedings in the little Somerset county courthouse a mistrial.

Jurors have fallen asleep; jurors have expressed hostility toward the prosecution and juror has announced that they favor acquittal of Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall and her two brothers, Simpson will allege if he decides to take the step.

The prosecution is faced, however, with the possibility that Mrs. Gibson, his only witness who claims to have seen the defendants in the act of murdering the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall, and Mrs. Eleanor Mills, may succumb to cancer, kidney trouble or heart disease before the case could be brought to trial again.

Without the testimony of the "pig woman," Simpson himself admits conviction of the widow and Stevens brothers would be virtually impossible.

The defense, moreover, would vigorously oppose a second trial and would seek to block any move on the part of the prosecutor to have a mistrial declared at the present time.

Annual Bazaar Is Huge Success

The annual bazaar of the Alpha Embroidery club, of the Eastern Star which closed last night, was one of the most successful in the history of the organization according to officers of the club. Large crowds attended throughout the day and in the evening, the remaining merchandise on sale was soon purchased by the many visitors. The evening was also given over to dancing and the awarding of prizes, the winners of which were as follows: Hope Chest, Mrs. H. G. Moore; Comforter, Eva White; Embroidered Bed Spread and Bolster, Miss Schmidt; Blue and White Quilt, Mrs. Duncan.

CITY BLOCK BURNS

EVANSTON, Ill., Dec. 1. (UN)—Almost an entire city block was burned down Tuesday as flames, believed to have started in a huge pile of celluloid in the plant of the Flossy Dental Manufacturing company, caused damage estimated at more than \$500,000.

Several buildings, including a garage with 15 machines, were razed.

THE TIDINGS' NEW SERIAL

"Tracked by the Police," one of the most intensely interesting fiction stories ever published, will start in tomorrow's Tidings. This story has to do with the popular police dog, and is taken from the picturization of the novel by Warner Brothers in which Rin Tin Tin was cast in the leading role. Read this story of a police dog. Follow him through the many thrilling experiences he undergoes. It starts tomorrow while a summary of each chapter will be given, to thoroughly enjoy the complete story, start with the first chapter.

NOVEMBER RAIN FALL

Seven and sixty-eight one-hundredths inches of rain fell in Ashland during the month of November, 1926, which is the third heaviest amount of rain that has fallen in any one month since 1882, or in 44 years, according to Louis Dodge, local weather observer. In November, 1885, 8.2 inches of rain fell in Ashland and in 1903, the record for the month was 8.10 inches. Last year, during the month of November, 1.86 inches fell.

OLD WATCH HELPS TO SETTLE BATTLE

Administration of Million Dollar Estate is Settled

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 1.—(UN)—An ancient one pound Swiss watch carried everywhere by a cattleman over his vast Montana cattle lands half a century ago proved an important factor in a court battle here today, that resulted in Mrs. Rose Story Hogan being named administratrix of the famed \$1,000,000 Story estate.

The watch, together with \$80,000 in bonds was introduced as evidence that the late Nelson Story, cattle baron, owned property in Los Angeles, thereby making Mrs. Hogan, his daughter, admissible to letters of administration. The contestant, General Walter B. Story, the veteran cattleman's son, declared his sister unlawful in her request to administer the estate on the grounds that their father was a resident of Bozeman, Montana, and was in Los Angeles merely to visit.

The first rancher to drive a herd of cattle over the plains into Montana, the elder Story purchased the bulky watch because of its long attachment, enabling him to ascertain the time at any hour during the night when light was unavailable.

AMERICAN BOATS TO JOIN IN PROTECTION

Will Assist British in Event There Are Chinese Outbreaks

LONDON, Dec. 1.—(UN)—Two American destroyers have left Shanghai to join the allied fleet of Britain, Japan and United States to protect foreigners in the event of an anti-foreign outbreak at Hankow, according to a Shanghai dispatch to the Daily Mail.

There are 400 foreigners in Hankow, two hundred of whom are Britishers. The others are Americans, French, German and Japanese. The nationalist movement there has been suggested by communist activities and a strike of Chinese maritime workers has caused the immediate crisis.

British residents of Hankow applied to the consular officials there several years ago, asking that ships be in readiness for them in case of emergency.

Two hundred British marines will be sent from Shanghai to Hankow immediately.

British officials in London have suggested that a naval demonstration by the United States, Japan and Great Britain may be necessary in Chinese waters at this time as a protective measure.

HERE IS DEFINITION OF NAVIGABLE STREAM

Deputy Game Warden Parr Receives Ruling From Attorney General

Due to the fact that many inquiries have been made as to what constitutes a navigable stream, deputy game warden Roy Parr, asked for and secured a definite ruling from the attorney general's office. This ruling is as follows:

"It is sufficient if it is capable of floating vessels, boats or other craft, or rafts of logs, or logs in quantities to make it of commercial value. And it has also been held that a stream though too small to float logs, is navigable if it is large enough to float single bolts after heavy rains and during freshets which occur with periodical regularity in the spring and fall of each year."

Mr. Parr has also announced that during the winter months the legal size for salmon or trout is a minimum length of 15 inches.

BUDGET BOARD APPROVES NEW BUILDING FOR LOCAL NORMAL

General Expansion Program is Prohibited by State Commission

TO BUILD DORMITORY

Dormitory to Cost \$150,000 as Recommended at Meeting Held Yesterday

SALEM, Dec. 1.—(UN)—State institutions and activities with a desire to expand will have to fight it out with the legislature and means committee, it is indicated by the attitude of the state budget commission, which has rejected proposals for expenditures totaling \$625,000.

Among expansion programs rejected by the budget board are requests for two new buildings for the Monmouth normal school at a proposed combined cost of \$325,000. A request for a separate gymnasium to cost \$100,000 at the Southern Oregon normal school, located at Ashland, also was refused, but that school will be given a new dormitory building with a gymnasium in the basement at a cost of \$150,000.

Other refusals were two state buildings, combined cost \$200,000 and the \$50,000 expansion program of the Pacific International Livestock show in Portland.

Stances where expansion programs have been rejected by the budget commission, will pass on to the legislature without recommendation.

The action of the budget commission will pass on to the legislature without recommendation. The action of the budget commission is in keeping with finances of the state government as shown by a statement prepared and just completed by Secretary of State Koser. This shows that the state will face a deficit of \$931,353 on December 31, which date marks the end of the biennium.

It was made plain in the statement that the deficit may be slightly more or less than the statement figures, depending on the expenses between now and the first of the year, and allowing a possible leeway for available revenue.

TWO MAY DIE FROM EXPLOSION ON BOAT

Oil Tanker Causes Damages Estimated at \$50,000 Yesterday

WILMINGTON, Cal., Dec. 1.—(UN)—With two seamen expected to die as the result of burns suffered in a spectacular fire which followed a series of explosions aboard the Union Oil company tanker Warwick in the harbor here Tuesday, an official probe is under way to fix responsibility for the blaze which did \$50,000 damage.

Burns suffered by Second Mate S. Sandberg and Boatswain W. Oxen, both of San Francisco, are expected to prove fatal, while Captain Halvorsen, commander of the vessel and five other members of the crew received less serious injuries.

The tanker was loading gasoline for San Francisco when the initial blast occurred. The first explosion, which was followed by a series of heavier blasts was caused, it was reported by a seaman cleaning his trousers with gasoline.

The fire spread through the hold of the vessel, where 10,000 barrels of gasoline were stored. A number of separate tank compartments were exploded, but firemen battling the flames in the suffocating fumes, brought the fire under control before the main tanks were endangered.

SCIONS OF NOBILITY OBJECT TO TRAINING

Do Not Want to be Placed on Marriage Bargain Counter

PARIS, Dec. 1.—Young scions of European nobility are objecting to what they term the American bargain counter for marriage. They want to marry when and whom they please and object to being married off to the daughters of American society women seeking prestige.

Just as it became apparent in the section of the Sacra Romana Rota that some American girls are forced against their wish to marry titles, so too, are eligible young noblemen by their families often urged to marry to build up again the family fortune.

The youths are given a thorough education in the ways of the world, trained in equitation, polo, bridge, dancing, languages and parlor conversation, all in preparation for the day when they can be offered in marriage to a wealthy daughter of America.

From their sixteenth year on, they are carefully guarded. Their friendships are visaged, and an especially close tab is kept on their woman acquaintances. Everything is done to prevent a "love match" with an ambitious actress, although occasionally, as in the case of the young Count Stanislas de la Rochefoucauld, who married the Parisian actress Alice Cocca, the family is fooled.

POSTMASTER URGES CAREFUL MAILING

Complete Address is Essential to Prompt Mail Handling

Postmaster Wagner asked the Tidings' this early in the Christmas season to remind the mailing public again of the vital importance of a complete address on all mail matter at all times, and wishes to emphasize the added importance of it if efficient and prompt handling be insured during the holiday rush when the volume of mail is suddenly so greatly expanded. A complete address means not only correct name, including initials in the case of individuals, but street and number, in case of delivery by city letter carriers, route number and box number on rural routes, postoffice lock box number, or general delivery. Failure to affix complete address to mail matter frequently is the cause of delay in delivery which would be avoided if completely addressed. The expensive dead letter station of the postoffice department would soon be eliminated, too, if it is pointed out, if everyone observed the rule that calls for the sender's name and address on all kinds of mail matter.

IRPLANES TO START ON GOODWILL TOUR

Sixty Seven Planes Will Serve as Escort for Ships From Pan America

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 1.—(UN)—Sixty seven airplanes will escort the five Pan-American amphibian planes which take off here on December 15 for a goodwill tour to the other Americans.

Forty planes from Brooks field will accompany the Pan-American birdmen as far as Beville, a distance of 75 miles, and 27 planes from Kelly field will probably go all the way to Brownsville, approximately 300 miles from here, when the army's proposed flight around South America begins.

EVIDENCE IS PILED UP BY GOVERNMENT IN DOHENY TRIAL

Claim Fall Pushed Leases Through to Completion For Doheny

DAUGHERTY IS CALLED

Former Attorney General Says He Was Not Asked for Ruling on Legality

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—(UN)—Government prosecutors piled up layers of evidence in the Fall-Doheny trial today, seeking to show Albert B. Fall as the one who pushed the Doheny oil leases to completion.

The defense has insisted strongly that Fall had nothing to do with the granting of the leases, which Doheny said would be worth \$100,000,000 to him. Government prosecutors, in trying to break down this defense, presented testimony as follows:

E. C. Finney, first assistant secretary of the interior, testified that the first Hawaiian lease was signed by him upon telegraphic order from Fall, who was at his New Mexico ranch. Harry M. Daugherty, attorney general while Fall was secretary of interior, testified he could not remember that Fall ever asked him to rule on the legality of the leases, although his point had been raised by oil men competing with Doheny.

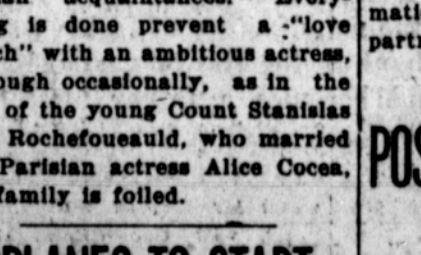
Fall's son-in-law, C. C. Chase, testified that during the senate Teapot Dome investigation Fall attempted to borrow \$100,000 from a Cleveland business man with which to pay back the money he had borrowed from Doheny. This was shortly before the senate committee discovered Doheny's advance to Fall.

Documentary evidence was presented showing that prior to the Doheny leases which contained the provision for navy oil storage tank construction Secretary of Navy Denby tried to get a clause authorizing such exchange. Denby did nothing about it and the validity of the leases was attacked on the ground that this exchange was illegal.

Just before the first big Doheny oil lease was signed the interior department issued a secrecy order, saying no information was to be given out regarding oil leases because "the negotiations are being handled by bureaus of the interior and navy departments but not in a routine way and consequently no information can be given out by department officials."

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Headquarters of the flight pilots at Duncan field, announced Tuesday that Brownsville will be the amphibians' first stop. After a night's rest, following the first hop, the 27 escorts from Kelly field will take the air and accompany the amphibians for a short distance into Mexico before returning to San Antonio.

