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MIDDLE WEST IN PATH OF COLDEST WAVE OF THE WINTER

Thirty Five Degrees Below Zero is Reached in Canada

SEVEN DEATHS RESULT

Many Schools Are Closed and Meetings Postponed Due to Cold

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—(UN)—From the frozen wastes of Alaska the most severe cold wave of the winter was heading toward Chicago tonight, having swept through western Canada and the northwestern states in advance of a swirling blizzard which piled the snow into the drifts 16 and 20 feet high in places.

Sub zero temperatures, common in the affected areas, and snow were responsible for at least seven deaths.

Throughout Canada, which reported the worst December weather in a decade, the mercury descended to record low levels for the last month of the year, reaching 35 degrees below zero at Saskatoon.

Wilder, Mont., reported a temperature of 31 degrees below, five degrees colder than was reported a few weeks ago at Crookston, Minn.

Because of the intense cold and disrupted street car service all schools in Sioux City, Iowa, were closed for the day, while postponement of a meeting in Emmetsburg, Iowa, was necessary because of the non-arrival of the representatives from Iowa counties due to the blizzard.

In three hours the mercury here tumbled an even 30 degrees from 38 above zero. By midnight it was expected to drop to zero. Within a few hours of his own doorstep, C. A. Hastings, 71, of Minneapolis, perished as a result of the intense cold and the blizzard. He died of heart disease aggravated by his struggles in walking through deep drifts, physicians said.

Ancient Blue Law Revived in East

IRVINGTON, N. J., Dec. 14.—(UN)—Holding its sides which are sore from laughter over the arrest of 98 citizens for various offenses ranging from shining shoes to selling soda water on Sunday the town of Irvington now is preparing for the more serious aspects of its sudden enforcement of the "blue laws" of 1788.

The farmers who shut off their radios and came to town from miles around to watch six detectives arrest any citizen in the act of working or enjoying, now are wondering if they will be impelled for jury duty in the trials of several offenders who have demanded a hearing.

AIMEE RECEIVES VOTES

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 14.—Aimee Semple McPherson received votes in the last California election for governor, lieutenant governor, controller, state board of equalization, chief justice of the supreme court and associate justice of the supreme court.

NORMAL TO PRESENT CANTATA "EMANUEL"

Glee Clubs Under Direction of Miss Marsters Will Entertain Thursday

The Christmas cantata, "Emanuel," under the direction of Miss Leona Marsters, will be presented at the Southern Oregon Normal school auditorium, Thursday evening, by the glee clubs of the school. The clubs have been busy the past few weeks in rehearsing for this event, with the result that Thursday night's entertainment promises to be of unusual merit. No admission will be charged, but it is requested that all children attending be accompanied by their parents. This request is based upon experience in the past in that it was found children occupied a majority of the seats while the older people were forced to stand up.

The program will be as follows:

- Adagio Fiddles—Reading.
- Hark! The Glad Sound—Worthing, Chorus.
- See You Never in the Twilight—Worthing, Margaret Hammarbacher.
- Once Long Ago—Bohemian Carol.
- Sleep Holy Child—French Carol, Women's Chorus.
- Silent Night, Holy Night—Gruber, Male quartet.
- The First Nowell—Traditional Sing, or Sing, This Blessed Morn—Worthing.
- Hark, What Mean Those Holy Voices—Worthing, Chorus.
- O Little Town of Bethlehem—Stevens, Jennie Grover.
- Joy Fill Our Inmost Hearts Today—Worthing—Ralph Church and chorus.
- Leona G. Marsters, Director.
- Lollita Pierson, accompanist.
- The audience will please not applaud.

EDITOR'S LIFE WAS ALWAYS IN DANGER

Wife of Oregon Newspaper Man Told of Threats Made

CANTON, Ohio, Dec. 14.—(UN)—The terror of a newspaper man's wife, whose home had been threatened by the targets of her husband's editorial crusades were described on the witness stand today by Mrs. Florence Mellett.

With her small daughter, Martha Jane, standing at her side, Mrs. Mellett told the whole story of Don R. Mellett's fight against vice and crime in Stark county, and of events leading up to his murder last June.

Mrs. Mellett was the state's star witness in its attempt to send Patrick McDermott to the electric chair as leader of the underworld gang which is held responsible for the young editor's death. A narrow band of blue on her hat relieved the severe black of the widow's costume. She told a straight forward story, but her tone was so low that even the jury of ten men and two women leaned forward in their chairs to catch her words.

The murder of the militant editor had not come unexpectedly, Mrs. Mellett said. For weeks the sinister shadow of the death threat had hung over the Mellett home while the husband and father continued his attack through the columns of the Canton Daily News on conditions in Stark county and demanded that the criminal element be driven out.

Under question by Prosecutor C. B. McClintock, Mrs. Mellett told of her marriage to the editor and of their home life, then of the killing.

The witness drew a picture of the Mellett home and its occupants on the night of the killing. Dinner, the group on the porch where the editor smoked while his wife sewed, the children playing about in the dusk.

RESOLUTION ASKS KELLOGG FOR DETAILS OF MEETING

Story by Press Association on Mexico-Brings Resolution

WANTS INFORMATION

Bolshevik Tendencies of Mexico Arouses Ire of Representative

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(UN)—Secretary of State Kellogg is asked in a resolution introduced in the house today by Representative Laguardia, New York republican, to relate the details of a press conference by one of his officials which resulted in a story by a press association other than the United News of a bolshevik hegemony to be interposed between the United States and the Panama canal.

Kellogg is asked to tell whether the state department had "any authentic, accurate or reliable information relative to Mexico's attitude toward Nicaragua and Mexican activities in Central America detrimental to the interests of the United States."

"Did the state department," the resolution asks, have in its possession on or about the 16th day of September any authentic, accurate or reliable information regarding bolshevik activities in the republic of Mexico?"

The resolution gave the reported press conference date as September 16, though the article which prompted the inquiry was printed the latter part of November. Laguardia asks that the same and official title of the official who gave the interview, be made public.

His resolution was referred to the foreign affairs committee. If the committee refuses to consider it within ten days he can call it up automatically in the house.

GREEN DENIES EVERY CHARGE AGAINST HIM

Former Prohibition Head Says He is Not Guilty

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—(UN)—Flat denial of all charges against him has been voiced from the witness stand by Colonel Ned M. Green, former prohibition administration, now being tried for embezzlement in the form of seized liquor.

"I never gave away a drop of confiscated liquor and I never consumed any myself," said Green Monday while testifying in his own behalf.

Earlier in the day the defense obtained the dismissal of three eleven counts in Green's indictment leaving eight as the trial basis.

Green was on the witness stand during the entire afternoon session.

The defendant admitted that he carried liquor from the government vaults to his hotel room, but said that it was for the purpose of studying samples of confiscated stock to determine the amount of genuine import liquor that was finding its way into California bootleg channels.

He had received legal advice that such methods were within his rights, he said.

HAS NO TERRORS
WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 14.—(UN)—Mrs. Sadie Raynaka of Yonkers will never fear the thirteenth.

EVERY LEGION POST EXPECTED TO SERVE

Commander Wants Some Worthwhile Community Service Done

TOPEKA, Kas., Dec. 14.—(UN)—In 1927 every American Legion post is expected to, perform some worthwhile service to the community in which it lives, according to the program mapped out by Howard P. Savage, national commander.

Savage attended a conference of the commander and adjutant of the local posts of Kansas today and spoke to them of the coming year.

"The backbone of the American Legion always has been local posts," he said. "In 1927 each post is to perform some worthwhile service to the community in which it lives."

"What that service may be is up to you. In one place a fresh air camp for children is needed. In another, perhaps an educational campaign in citizenship duties among our foreign born would be the best service that could be given."

"Whatever it may be the American Legion post of that community will stand higher in the estimation of its citizens and the town or city will be a better place when the service has been rendered."

LITHIA PARK TO HAVE NEW ROSE BUSHES

President of Portland Rose Festival Makes Gift to City

Lithia park will receive two hundred and fifty rose bushes early next spring, as the result of a visit here last night by Frank Riggs of Portland, President of the Rose festival of that city and former president of the Rose society. Mr. Riggs who has done as much or more than any other man to give to Portland the name of the Rose City, is an old time friend of R. W. Price of the Lithia Springs Hotel. He stopped off here yesterday while on his way to California, and after taking a walk through the park, authorized Mr. Price to offer the bushes to the park board. This was done this morning and the members of the board accepted with thanks. The bushes will be sent here just as soon as the weather will permit there being planted with safety.

LOCAL ATTORNEY ABLE TO LEAVE HOSPITAL

Car of W. M. Briggs is Said to be a Complete Wreck

According to telephone communications from William Briggs, local attorney who was in an automobile accident near Albany recently, he and his wife left the hospital at Albany yesterday, and are going on to Portland. They expect to return to Ashland Friday of this week.

Mr. Briggs said their automobile was almost a total wreck, but gave no further information concerning the accident.

PLACE GAG RULE ON COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Curtailling of Navy Program Brings Long Discussion

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(UN)—The house naval affairs committee placed the gag rule on members today after a long discussion behind closed doors, of the curtailing of the navy building program announced recently by President Coolidge.

It was decided at the meeting, it was said afterward that any newspaper reporter who wrote a story of the meeting would be halted before the committee and asked where he got the information.

Committee members were considerably wrought up over the administration's decision to hold up construction of three cruisers already authorized. President Coolidge said in his budget message the delay was desired because of negotiations for another disarmament conference.

OFFICIAL REFUSES TO RATIFY MEDFORD TAX

Budget Call for Tax Levy is Excess of Legal Limit

MEDFORD, Dec. 14.—(UN)—Medford's city budget, calling for a tax levy of \$125,750.50 is said to be \$26,081.54 in excess of the six percent statutory limit and assessor J. Coleman has refused to ratify it.

The city took an appeal to the state tax commission, which, it is upheld the ruling of the assessor.

GIRL BANDIT IS NOT ALLOWED HER FREEDOM UNDER BOND

Robbery With Fire Arms is Serious Offense in Texas

JUDGE REFUSES BOND

Bank Officials Identify Girl as One Who Locked Them in Vault

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 14.—(UN)—Freedom under bond this afternoon was denied Miss Rebecca Bradley, 22-year-old girl, charged with robbery of a bank, a serious offense in Texas.

Appearing before Justice of the Peace A. M. Ramsey, of Hayes county, the college girl's counsel asked for a reduction of the \$5,000 bond on which she now has her liberty.

Justice Ramsey refused the request. The hearing, attended by Miss Bradley and her mother and a number of spectators, lasted less than five minutes. "There was no testimony."

Miss Bradley, her mother and other allies, returned immediately to Austin, where the habeas corpus proceedings which were interrupted today, will be reopened tomorrow.

Earlier in the day, Judge Geo. Calhoun of Austin, the girl's home granted a delay in the habeas corpus hearing in order that Miss Bradley could apply for bond at a preliminary hearing at San Marcos this afternoon.

Despite Justice Ramsey's refusal to grant bail Miss Bradley still is at liberty and the writ of habeas corpus granted by Judge O. C. Latimore of the state of criminal appeals and made returnable to Judge Calhoun.

Austin police announced officials of the Buda Farmers Bank had identified Miss Bradley and she was reported to have made a statement to County Attorney B. E. Neighbors of Tates county, admitting the crime.

In her statement, according to Neighbors, she said she robbed the bank for a "thrill."

Salem has built 360 homes in 11 months, and total building is \$2,803,069.

UKRAINIANS PLEASE CAPACITY AUDIENCE

Latest Normal School Entertainment is Well Received Here

A more colorful or artistic organization of musicians is seldom seen in any country than the Ukrainian National Chorus, which appeared at the Ashland Armory Monday evening, under the most able direction of Alexander Koshets, and under the auspices of the Southern Oregon Normal.

The chorus of the most perfectly blended voices sounded at times like a symphony orchestra and then again, as in the Lullaby, arranged for the chorus by Mr. Koshets, the conductor, it was like the beautiful strains of a pipe organ in the hands of a master. The excellent leadership of the conductor proved to be a combination which was most delightful and one which the Ashland audience signified by their generous applause as being highly satisfying in every detail. The program was chosen with the approaching holiday season in mind as several Christmas songs were sung and one New Year's song. Among the more familiar of the songs sung in English, was "The Bonnie Bank O' Loch Lomond," which melody struck a responsive chord in many a Scotch heart.

All numbers were sung without accompaniment, the chorus soloists being accompanied by the chorus. Most of the numbers were sung in their native tongue and they appeared in the very elaborate and colorful costumes of their native land. The ladies' headdress was extremely gorgeous and beautiful with flowers and ribbons of many hues.

The groups of numbers played by Max Pollikoff, the violinist, accompanied at the piano by Joseph Barsky, were immensely enjoyed by the music lovers of Ashland. He showed a skill and artistry on the violin which is only attained by the best artists, and he graciously responded to several encores. "Nocturno," a number of his own composition, was well received.

Another storm of snow swept eastward from the Cascades last night, covering all parts of the Deschutes country to the depth of about three inches.

Local Man Wins Golf Tournament

R. W. Price Returned Yesterday from Portland where he attended the annual meeting of the Oregon and Washington Hotel Men's Association. Mr. Price demonstrated his prowess at golf while at the convention, winning a beautiful silver cup, which was emblematic of the hotel men's championship.

This tournament was held last Saturday, the final day of the convention, and some of the best golf players in the state competed for the cup. The convention was one of the best in the association's history, Mr. Price stated, today. Many problems of mutual interest to the men in both states were brought up for discussion, and new ideas, in the operation of hotels were advanced, which will result in the ultimate good of both the traveling public and the hotel operators.

Gifts of Late Czar On Display

MOSCOW, Dec. 14.—Dazzling Christmas gifts of precious jewels, set in delicately wrought metals, the presents exchanged in the family of the late Czar of Russia prior to the world war were displayed in a dull soviet office room today to be viewed by foreign correspondents.

Gem studded monkeys, priceless mechanical toys that delighted the children of Nicholas II when that emperor was the most absolute ruler in the world, costly trinkets of diamonds, platinum and mother of pearl were placed on the long display tables.

A fortune estimated at \$350,000,000 was represented by these trinkets which had been shaped to please the imperial family. And today, under the ownership of the soviet government, the articles were watched by eight guards wearing tight blouses, cuffs tightly buttoned to prevent any article being hidden in a sleeve.

COLD WEATHER IS GENERAL THROUGHOUT THIS STATE

Local Thermometer Reaches Seventeen With Continued Cold Predicted

NORTHERN CITIES GOLD

Snow and Hail is General With Temperature Slightly Above Zero

Last night was the coldest this year according to Louis Dodge, local weather man, who reported that the thermometer reached 17 degrees above zero. Other cities throughout the state experienced cold weather yesterday, and the weather report for today continues to predict "clear and cold."

THE DALLES

THE DALLES, Dec. 14.—Clear skies with the temperature below freezing this morning followed on the heels of a snowstorm that coated the ground to the depth of several inches of fine snow.

The snowfall was reported considerably heavier in the higher altitudes of the county.

ALBANY, Dec. 14.—(UN)

This section was literally frozen up today after the season's minimum temperature record was established at 26 degrees above zero last night.

Splits of snow and hail preceded the freeze up, leaving a film of white upon the ground.

BEND

BEND, Dec. 14.—(UN)—Central Oregon last night experienced its coldest weather in two years, when the temperature dropped to a point only a few degrees above zero.

The minimum temperature in Bend last night was eight degrees above zero.

CHAPLIN'S WIFE NOT TO APPEAL TO POPE

Attorney Says Reports That Will Appeal to Pope is Ridiculous

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 14.—(UN)—Mrs. Lita Gray Chaplin, estranged wife of Charles Chaplin, emphatically denied Monday night that she would appeal to the vatican at Rome for annulment of her marriage.

George Heebe, her attorney, branded the report as "guff." "It is utterly ridiculous," he declared. "I do not care to discuss the matter at length, but I will say that Mrs. Chaplin positively has not appealed to the Rota and whoever started the rumor must be crazy."

Mrs. Chaplin told the United News that she had been apprised of her right to appeal to Rome for annulment but declared that she had not considered the matter and that any action in line with the suggestion would have to come from her attorneys.

Action by the young wife to secure a divorce from her famous husband may be started before the close of this week, Heebe indicated. He declared that the attempts of counsel for the screen comedian to meet with him in conference appeared to be half hearted and that as nothing had been accomplished, action for divorce would be started shortly.

Will Spend Winter Here

Mr. and Mrs. Otto J. Elliott and Mrs. Howell of Baker, Ore., have been in Ashland for a few days. They expect to spend the winter months at their home on Iowa street.

