

SKY SCRAPER FIRE SPECTACULAR AFFAIR

Thirty Eight Story Hotel Has Brilliant Blaze Last Night

NEW YORK, April 13.—(LP)—Rearing its white bulk 38 stories above Fifth Ave. at the eastliest center at the costliest street in the world, the Netherlands hotel became a flaming torch in the most spectacular fire New York has had in ten years.

No lives were lost, partly because the building was not completed and only a few of the 500 rooms it contained had been occupied.

But the blaze, starting in the uncompleted tower of the imposing structure, ate its way downward, floor by floor, until the 15 upper floors were ablaze simultaneously.

After two hours of effort, the flames were checked by hordes of firemen, who unable because of the height to reach the blaze with their pany towers and ladders, worked guano-like from within.

They dragged lines of hose up the elevator shafts and at the 23rd floor, they met the blaze.

War Scenes in Shanghai



Northern Chinese troops loading their artillery preparatory to fleeing from Shanghai before the Cantonese.



Railway coaches overturned by shell fire at the Shanghai North Station.

Society Women Are Robbed at a Party

LOS ANGELES, April 13.—(LP)

—Pretending to be police officers, two bandits forced their way into the home of Mrs. J. M. Cummins, held up a gathering of society women, locked their victims in a clothes closet and escaped with jewelry and cash valued at \$15,000.

Mrs. Ted Rice and Mrs. George W. Carrie, of San Francisco were included among the victims. Both were robbed of diamonds and money.

The women were driven into a bedroom, one at a time, and relieved of their jewels. When the bandits gathered in all their loot, five of the women were locked in a clothes closet while the sixth remained outside on her promise not to release the prisoners until the bandits had been gone 15 minutes.

Mrs. Cummins, hostess, suffered the greatest loss. She estimated the value of her stolen gems at \$10,000.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Tuesday morning a representative of U. of O. talked to the student body on the subject of selecting a vocation. He offered a few suggestions to govern the student's choice of his life's work. He said that the student should choose a vocation that he could work the best in and enjoy the most; he should consider his own ability for the position of work; one in which he could serve himself and his community best and one that has adequate financial returns.

An interesting fact he mentioned was that the high school graduate must not feel that he owes the public nothing. He, when he is graduated, is a \$1000 investment of the people, and they expect some returns. This gave the seniors something to ponder over.

He met the seniors alone after his assembly speech. Tuesday afternoon a few heroes of the battle with Medford were called upon to talk to the assembly. Those named were McGee, Nutter, Gande, Hartley, Kanastro, Bibby, Moore, and the manager, Elliott MacCracken. Some other players who talked were Roy Abbott, Horace Dunn and Lawrence Leedom. Mr. Cripe, coach, talked and commended the team on the good fight they were putting up. The boys said they decided they would wallop Medford and with the student body back of them they did it.

There are three more games coming with Medford. The next two this week, Friday at 3:30 on Medford's diamond, and Saturday on the local field here. These promise to be good.

Miss Minnie Poloy, teacher of Roosevelt high school in Oakland, Cal., is spending the week with her sister, Miss Evangeline Poloy. Miss Minnie Poloy was formerly a teacher of A. H. S.

Visiting Parents—Mr. and Mrs. Max Camps of Yreka, Cal., are spending the day in Ashland visiting at the home of Mrs. Camps parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kaegi on the Boulevard.

Local Church Leads Southern District

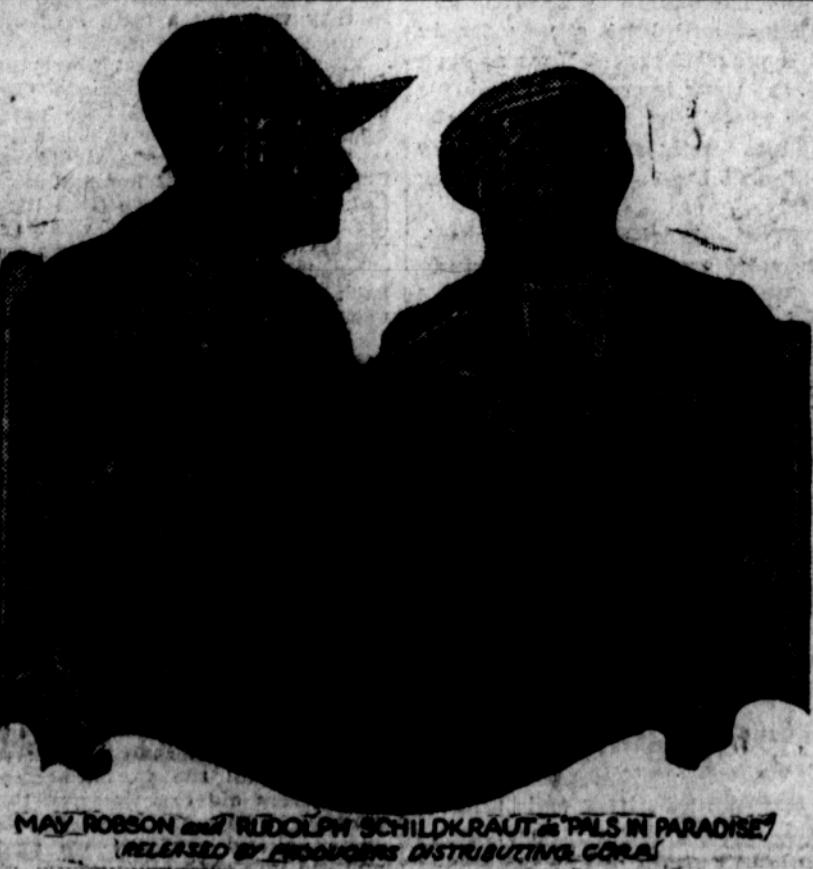
Rev. H. T. Mitchelmore, pastor of the Presbyterian church and G. M. Frost of Ashland returned last night from a two days session of the Southern Oregon Presbytery, held at Grants Pass. This was the semi annual meeting and was attended by about thirty five representatives from every vicinity in Southern Oregon.

This meeting was particularly fortunate according to the local men in having W. O. Thompson, Moderator of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church, and a noted educator, in attendance. One of the interesting facts brought out in this meeting was that the local church was found to be the leader in the district in the matter of Benevolences, the record for the year being more than \$3100.

Skeleton Found Close to Medford

MEDFORD, April 13.—(LP)—The finding of the skeleton of a man in the new course of Jackson creek, created by the recent floods, took Coroner Conger to Jacksonville Tuesday for an investigation.

The skeleton is that of an aged man. The back of the skull had been crushed by a heavy blow and the body had been buried under a pile of stone which had been washed away when the creek changed its course. Conger believes the remains are those of an old miner, who was probably murdered more than a score of years ago.



MAY ROBSON and RUDOLF W. SCHILDKRAUT IN PARADE. RELEASED BY PRODUCTIONS DISTRIBUTIVE CORP.

STINNE'S SON MAKES SUCCESS OF BUSINESS

Loan of Twenty-Five Million Secured to Tide Industries Over

CHICAGO, April 13.—Hugo Stinnes, Jr., is not a chip off the old block, for there was only one Napoleonic Stinnes, but the son of the great German industrial baron, who died two years ago, has succeeded where a majority of his compatriots thought he would fail.

When the elder Stinnes died many believed his gigantic manifold enterprises which encompassed activities throughout the world would collapse. The man of the iron hat and the iron will had emerged, Phoenix-like from Germany's postwar troubles to become a most powerful figure.

He left his son a gargantuan task.

Soon after Stinnes' death his organizations which controlled coal and iron mines, steamship lines, railroads, public utilities, hotels, banks, foundered in a sea

sional races.

It was decided to lease the grounds to an auto racing association for July 4th for cash rent, the fair association not to be in any way connected with the races.

The directors chosen for this year by the county court, city of Medford and the fair association are as follows:

E. C. Gaddis, R. G. Fowler, Vern H. Pendleton, George Alford, J. W. Wakefield, M. J. Norris, S. Sumpter Smith, F. B. Upton, J. R. McCracken, Alex Sparrow, O. O. Alexander, A. C. Nininger, E. B. Day, E. G. Coleman, E. Royal Brown, James Owens, R. E. Robinson, C. E. Gates, W. H. Gore, Fred Weeks and H. O. Frohbach.

The officers chosen were: C. E. Gates, president, H. O. Frohbach and A. C. Nininger, vice-presidents, S. I. Brown, secretary and W. H. Gore, treasurer.

A Cook Honored



Tom Stevens, who is paying his way through college by cooking in his spare time, has been elected president of the University of Oklahoma student body. His pretty wife, pictured with him above, is one reason for his victory—she swung a lot of votes.

of financial difficulty. The wizardry of superb leadership apparently was lacking. Money was needed to carry on and Hugo Stinnes, Jr., could not raise it. When it seemed that the great name of Stinnes would lose its awesome stinnes would lose its awesome \$25,000,000 from a bankers syndicate and immediately began to rebuild.

Dr. Erich Will, vice-president of the Hugo Stinnes corporation and Stinnes Industries, Tuesday issued a financial statement here, showing that preliminary reports indicate earnings for 1926 were in excess of the \$2,500,000 estimated last November and confirming the belief that the second Stinnes was making good.

Arrived in Ashland—Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Patterson, who have spent the winter months in Palo Alto, Cal., where Mr. Patterson attends the Stanford university, have arrived in Ashland and will probably remain here through the summer. Mr. Patterson is an entomologist.

Hurling Ace



Here's a one-armed pitcher who is the star of the University of Missouri baseball club. His name is Henry Feldcamp. In his last two years in high school, he lost only one game in fifteen pitched.

Civil Service Commission To Launch Campaign For Prohibition Officials

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For warehouse watchman will require the assembling of competitors in examination rooms for written mental tests. These will be given in approximately 600 places throughout the country. The other examinations listed do not include written mental tests in examination rooms.

All the examinations will include ratings on training and experience, a searching oral test, and a rigid character investigation made by the Civil Service Commission with the assistance of other Government agencies.

In order to give the oral tests it will be necessary for the Commission to send investigators to interview applicants in various parts of the country. The character investigations will be made with the most painstaking care.

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OVERLAND SHOE SHOP

Where 2000 Died in Japanese Earthquake



A Japanese priest stands in prayer amid the smoking ruins of Mineyama, Japan, where an earthquake snuffed out 2000 lives. To the right of the picture, behind the Japanese carrying his son after the manner of an Indian papoose lies the twisted wreckage of a flivver.

Because of these two features of the examinations, the testing of applicants for the 2500 newly-classified positions under the Bureau of Prohibition is one of the largest single tasks ever undertaken by the Commission.

Fingerprints will be made of all applicants who attain eligible ratings. These will be used to check the accuracy of the applicants' statements as to arrest, indictment, or conviction for crime or misdemeanor. The Civil Service

Commission feels that any person who is worthy of appointment to a position under the Bureau of Prohibition will not object to the most searching investigation of his past life.

The act bringing these positions into the competitive classified service provides that those now employed who were not appointed in accordance with the civil service law must compete with others in examinations if they wish to have an opportunity to retain

their positions.

Copies of the examination announcements and application blanks may be obtained from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., or from the secretary of the local board of civil service examiners at the post office in this or any other city.

The examination announcements give detailed information regarding the scope of the examinations and the requirements for entrance thereto.

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