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MANY TOWNS ARE FLOODED WHEN LEVELS BREAK AWAY

Little Rock is an Island City With Railroads Blocked And Bridges Out

MANY ACRES FLOODED

One of Prosperous Towns in the Flood Region Under Fifteen Feet of Water

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Holding that the Mississippi river floods were a major national disaster, President Coolidge's special Red Cross committee, under the chairmanship of Secretary Hoover, voted this afternoon to raise \$5,000,000 for a relief fund. The meeting followed an issuance of appeal made by the president for aid for those in the flood zone.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 22.—(AP)—Crumping of the Stopp's Landing levee flooded a score of towns in Bolivar and Washington counties in Mississippi. The break occurred on the Mississippi side of the levee, almost directly across from Arkansas City. The main levee at Hickman, Ky., was reported to be weakening under the last of huge waves. Little Rock was an island city, railroads were cut off from two directions and two complete spans of the Missouri Pacific bridge over the Arkansas river were washed away.

At South Bend several miles below Vicksburg, several hundred men were piling bags frantically as the spray from mountainous waves splashed over the levee.

The Tiptonville, Tenn., levee was weakening, but workmen were confident of holding it "for about 12 hours anyway."

Similar reports came from several points in Louisiana. Three thousand men were toiling on the ten mile stretch of levee at Stopp's Landing at the time of the break. Water had been flowing over the levee for many hours.

Because of the 2300 foot break water flowed down on many towns. Greenville, prosperous town in region was reported under 15 feet of water.

I. F. Loyacono, Greenville engineer estimated this break would cover at least 200,000 acres.

Government Helps

WASHINGTON, April 22.—(AP)—Active support of the government in feeding and housing victims of the Mississippi flood was pledged to the Red Cross by President Coolidge in a conference with James Fizer, active president of the organization.

President Coolidge expressed concern over the flood condition and discussed with Fizer means of relief.

Virtually the whole state of Arkansas is being flooded.

ONE MAN KILLED ON A LOGGING TRAIN

Forty Miraculously Escape Death When Train is Derailed

KERRY, Ore., April 22.—(AP)—One man was killed, four were injured and 40 miraculously escaped death late yesterday when a logging train jumped the track while en route to a lumber camp in the Coast range.

The men had boarded the cars to report for supper, according to word received here, and the train was two miles from the company camp when the car jumped the track.

Five men were trapped as it came crashing to earth. The dead man was identified as Fred Zanni. The injured were sent to Portland in ambulances, where it was said their condition was serious.

HOT FIGHT STIRS COLLEGE STUDENTS

Freedom of the Press is the Center of Vigorous Scrap

EUGENE, April 22.—(AP)—The hottest fight that has shaken the student body for many years is under way at the university of Oregon, with Sol Abramson, editor of the Oregon Daily Emerald, conducting a spirited battle for freedom of the press.

An amendment to put control of the Emerald's editorial policies in the hands of the publications committee was drafted by leading members of the student council, which started the campaign against the Emerald.

According to the paper the amendment, which Abramson has branded as the gag rule, was framed by six members of the council.

Each day the Emerald is printing two column endorsements of its stand on the front page. The communications are filled with letters from students for and against the amendment.

Hugh Biggs, student body president, who is supporting the amendment declares that it is only wise and just to put the editorial policies in the hands of a committee, which, more truly than the editor, represents student public opinion.

Abramson contends that a self respecting newspaper cannot be conducted when it is subject to censorship and that his policies have represented the student body as closely as those of the student council.

NEW PRESIDENT IS SELECTED FOR CLUB

Harry May Elected to Head Employed Boys Organization

Warren Doremus tendered his resignation as president of the Employed Boys' club of the Y. M. C. A., at their regular meeting last night and Harry May was elected to fill the position. Mr. Doremus was forced to give up the office on account of the press of other duties. The club held an interesting discussion on "Elimination of Waste in Industry."

A paper was read telling of some of the work being done along this line by the U. S. Department of Commerce. In one instance it was shown where the mattress manufacturers of the U. S. had agreed to reduce the number of sizes of mattresses from 78 to 4, this being just one of the many such cases. The article further pointed out that we waste 750 million tons of coal in America every year; that we waste 50 million horse power of our water power and 5 billion cubic feet of lumber every year.

In the matter of the waste of human energy statistics show that industrial accidents kill 30,000 wage earners and maim 500,000.

ARREST DODGE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—Horace Dodge, Jr., Detroit millionaire, fell into the hands of the law here today when he bumped his head on a ship's timber, while fleeing from arrest and newspapermen.

Dodge was trying to escape on the Dollar liner President Madison after a three hours siege by reporters, during which he sallied forth and engaged in a fist fight with John McDonald, United Press correspondent, and another Smith News camera man, who were trying to confirm reports of an alleged reconciliation with his wife and her denial of the report.

The news men swore to warrants for Dodge's arrest and detectives sought to serve the warrant but Dodge would not leave the ship. He ran forth and bumped his head on the timber and while semi-dazed a policeman made the arrest.

Lakeview—Big woolen mill prospect here.

Hood River—Nineteen men plant 140,000 seedling Douglas fir trees in one day at U. S. Wind River station.

CHARGES MADE BY PRESIDENT OF MEXICO ARE CALLED A LIE

Details of Night of Horror During Holdup Now Being Told

BODIES ARE ON TRAIN

Sixty One Victims of Terrible Assault Are Brought Into Mexico City

MEXICO, April 22.—Details of a night of horror made more terrible by the piteous cries of men, women and children were related by the Labarca train holdup arriving in Mexico City.

Bearing 61 bodies the train from Guadalajara arrived in this hallowed city today.

Prostrated passengers who lived through the tragedy told of battle, raging fire and finally death.

None of the ten passengers who included Americans, British and one German woman were injured. "We were just finishing dinner," one of the survivors told the United Press, "when the train suddenly came to a stop."

Bishop Leopold of the state of Michoacan, acting on behalf of the Mexican episcopate, issued a statement denying charges made from the office of President Calles Wednesday that the episcopate had directed the train attack. He declared that if priests took part in the holdup and killing they did so without permission of the episcopate.

NEW YORK, April 22.—(AP)—Charges issued from the office of President Calles in Mexico City that the Mexican episcopate inspired the attack on a train at Labarca Tuesday were termed "a desperate and despicable lie," by the Rev. Carlos de Heredia, B. J., a Mexican Jesuit living in New York.

"When the Calles government sent to the people of the United States the statement that the Mexican episcopate organized a bandit band or that priests participated in horrible atrocities, no honest man who knows the facts can keep silent," said Father Heredia's statement.

"I know it to be a fact that the episcopate has steadfastly refused to approve of violent opposition to the Calles government despite the bitter oppression to which that government subjected the church."

LUXURIOUS ARCTIC EXPEDITION STARTS

Combining Adventure and Desire for Scientific Research, Party Leaves

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—(AP)—A luxurious Arctic expedition which combines incentive of adventure and scientific research has put out from San Francisco on the trim auxiliary schooner, Northern Light, Departure of the sturdy vessel Thursday brought to an end the sudden whim of John Borden, who during the winter telephoned to Oakland and explained in detail how he wanted his yacht constructed.

For the scientific end of the expedition Borden collaborated to the Field Museum. He then added distinction to his guests whose names rank high in New York and San Francisco who perhaps wearied by the social life on shore sought thrills in the Arctic.

Borden's wife will be aboard during the entire cruise. The cruise will go through the inside passage from Victoria to Juneau, thence to the Kodiak group and Unga, off the Alaskan peninsula. It is hoped to gather specimens of Arctic animals and birds for the museum, and Ashley Fine, Field scientist, will join the party at Nome to direct this end of its activities.

ASHLAND'S FIRST TELEPHONE PROVES TO BE OF INTEREST

(By Mildred Gyger)
Ashland's first telephone, a relic of unusual interest to Ashland residents, is being displayed by Clarence Lane in the window of his confectionery store near the Junior High school.

It is of a type used by early settlers in Ashland and was previously owned by E. V. Carter. The instrument was used about 1888 to connect the Carter residence and the Ashland Bank now called the State Bank of Ashland.

The contrivance consists of a round, hollow, wooden sound box about ten inches in diameter with a wood transmitter, a heavy iron piece acting as a spring, and

a small bell connected to the sound box. The two telephones were connected by two twisted iron wires strung at a high tension by means of poles about twenty feet high. Small wooden buttons held the wires in place in the transmitter. In order to ring the phone the user tapped the button with a small wooden hammer causing the bell of the connecting phone to ring. There were three of these phones in use in the town at that time.

Since the introduction of the Bell Telephone System into Ashland twelve years ago, the number of telephone owners has increased to 1,007.

DEBATE CHAMPIONSHIP WILL BE DECIDED ON TONIGHT

Local Team Will Meet Eugene in Semi-Finals Tonight

The Southern Oregon debate championship will be decided tonight when the Ashland High school debate team meets the Eugene debaters here.

This debate will be one of the two semi-finals in the elimination contest for state championship in debate. While Eugene and Ashland are debating here two northern Willamette teams will be debating for the state championship of northern Oregon.

The winners of these contests will meet May 6 in the final Western Oregon championship debate. Winning teams from Eastern Oregon and Western Oregon will then meet at the University of Oregon May 20 for the state final in debate.

Eugene is now champion of the districts consisting of Lane, Douglas, Coos and Curry counties having defeated Bandon high school two weeks ago.

Ashland is now champion of districts consisting of Josephine, Jackson, Klamath and Lake counties. Ashland High school has participated in three dual district debates and one inter-district debate which was with Klamath Falls. In these contests 17 judges voted out of a possible 21 have been won.

The question for debate is "Resolved: That a severance tax should be made a feature of the system of taxation in Oregon." Dona Joy and Dick Joy, who compose the Ashland High team will defend the negative.

SQUADS POLICE UNABLE STOP WAVE OF CRIME IN PORTLAND

Lone Bandit Takes \$220 From Lone Girl in an Office This Morning

TEN ROBBERIES NOW

With the Exception of Arrest of Two Nineteen Year Old Boys, Arrest Evaded

PORTLAND, April 22.—Striking defiance at the several shot gun squads which are patrolling the streets, a lone bandit entered the office of the Security Benefit Association and escaped with two hundred and twenty dollars. Dorothy Fitzpatrick was alone when the bandit entered and cowering her with a gun ransacked the till and departed.

Thirty-five extra patrolmen armed with shot guns were on duty when the crime was committed. A traffic officer was on the corner and the office was within a stones throw of the police headquarters. Five hold-ups were committed here Wednesday night and Thursday morning, but confessions of two nineteen year old boys accounted for them. There has been ten daring hold ups here recently, but with the exception of the boys captured, the bandits evaded arrest and left no important clues.

VINING TO ATTEND EASTERN MEETINGS

Will Represent State and Ashland Chamber of Commerce

Professor I. E. Vining, representing the State Chamber of Commerce and the Ashland Chamber of Commerce will leave tonight on an extended trip through the east stopping at Washington, D. C., to attend a meeting of the United States Chamber of Commerce, as well as the Third Pan American Trade Conference. From Washington he will proceed to New York City on a combined business and pleasure trip. Professor Vining is taking Lawrence Leedom with him in order that he may have an opportunity to see Washington, D. C., as well as other parts of the east and middle west.

HAS NEW RANGE

A large electric range has recently been added to the kitchen of Niningers to keep pace with the rapidly growing business of this popular place. The range has three ovens, and will afford a wide range of cooking.

WAR IS DECLARED ON BAITING OF UMPIRES

Recent Attacks by Baseball Players Raises Ire of League Head

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—(AP)—Harry Williams, president of the Pacific Coast league has declared war upon umpire baiting baseball players.

Although without full details of Frank Brazill's assault upon Hal Eason in Los Angeles Thursday, Williams declared that Brazill will be dealt with summarily.

"It is possible that I may refer the matter to Mike Sexton, president of the national association of minor league clubs," Williams said. "If the trouble was as serious as newspaper accounts indicate it will be hard on Brazill."

"When a husky ball player uses physical violence against a 55 year old man like Eason it is time for drastic action. This bullying of umpires is going to stop."

Manager Howard of the Oakland club choked an umpire here Tuesday and Marty Krug choked and shook Eason in Los Angeles Wednesday, both managers drawing indefinite suspensions.

HOT GAMES FEATURE INDOOR BASEBALL

Normal Team Wins From League Leaders by Close Score

"Faster and more furious" seems to be the slogan of the players in the Y. M. C. A. indoor league being staged on the local Armory floor every Thursday night.

Judging from the battles put up by the teams in last night's contests this fact would be easily proven. In the opening game last night the Normal team took the long end of a 23 to 18 score from the undefeated H-Y team. The Normal stepped into the lead in the fifth inning when the H-Y team staged a few errors, and from then on they held the lead by hard work. The batteries for this game were Normal, Laws and Butterfield; for the H-Y, Katzner and Hartley. In the second game of the evening the Employed Boys club, who are the undisputed cellar champions put up the fight of their lives against Battery B the Battery finally emerging the victors with the long end of an 8 to 6 score. This game was featured with thrills from start to finish. Batteries for this game were Battery B, Slack and Young. For the Employed Boys, Walter and Gosnell. In the third game of the evening the hard hitting, Hoot Owls battled their way to victory over the fast Bankers team by taking the long end of a 25 to 16 score. This game was hard fought and two pitchers were used by each team. For the Hoot Owls, Crow and Davis, pitchers, Kaegi, catcher. For the Bankers, Peters and Slack pitchers, and Hitchcock and Young catchers. It was rumored at last night's games that a scout from the Coast or National league was in the crowd and this was given as the reason for some of the fast playing, this proved to be only a rumor as the man could not be found.

INITIATIVE PETITION FILED WITH RECORDER

Four Hundred and Sixty Five Names Contained in Petition

The initiative petition, calling for a special election to be held on May 31, for the purpose of determining whether the work on the Ashland Canyon dam, shall be postponed, was filed yesterday with City recorder Gertrude Biede. Four hundred and sixty-five names were on the petition, which is considerably more than the legal number required. While the council called a special meeting last night no action was taken. It was expected the matter will come up for discussion at a meeting to be held soon.

Monmouth to have city mail delivery service.

TWO THIRDS OF NEEDED VOTES NOW IN HANDS OF PRESIDENT

Has Reason to Feel That he Can Control at Least Thirty One States

PRIMARIES FAVORABLE

States Where Direct Primary Law is in Effect Expected to be Favorable

WASHINGTON, April 22.—(AP)—Apparently President Coolidge already holds two thirds of the republican convention security in his hand.

He has reason to count on the support of at least 31 states and five territories controlling 745 convention votes. Only 555 are necessary to nominate. This list includes states in which responsible party leaders have publicly declared for the renomination of the president. It also includes some additional states, mostly southern, from which there have been no commitments but in which the republican party is controlled by Coolidge-appointed job holders.

In some of the states listed for Coolidge, presidential primaries are held to select convention delegates, but barring unexpected upheavals all of these states are listed as fairly certain to be controlled by the party organizations whose leaders who have pledged Coolidge their support.

Large Safety Margin

This forecast also contains a large margin of safety from the fact that from the 17 states controlling 374 delegates not listed for Coolidge many are so classed purely because their leaders have not spoken. Many of these omitted states have shown strong Coolidge sentiment in the past and are likely to do so, again. Others, of course, are probably due to send hostile delegations as in the case of Iowa, Wisconsin and North Dakota.

The lineup with the number of convention delegates follows:

- Coolidge Lineup
- For Coolidge's renomination: Alabama 16, Arizona 9, Arkansas 14, California 29, Colorado 15, Delaware 9, Florida 10, Georgia 18, Michigan 33, Mississippi 12, Missouri 39, Nevada 9, New Jersey 31, New Mexico 9, New York 91, North Carolina 22, Ohio 51, Oklahoma 23, Pennsylvania 79, Rhode Island 13, South Carolina 11, Tennessee 27, Texas 23, Vermont 11, Virginia 17, West Virginia 19, Wyoming 9, District of Columbia 2, Alaska 2, Hawaii 2, Porto Rico 2, Philippine Islands 2.

Total states and territories 36, total delegates 745.

Opposed or not committed: Connecticut 17, Idaho 11, Illinois 61, Indiana 33, Iowa 29, Kansas 23, Kentucky 26, Minnesota 27, Montana 11, Nebraska 19, New Hampshire 11, North Dakota 13, Oregon 13, South Dakota 13, Utah 11, Washington 17.

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