

KIDNAPPED MAN FREED, PAY \$10,000

James E. Hall, Wealthy Detroit Man, Released When Friends Pay His Abductors Large Sum—Kidnapers Posed As Officers—Case Is Surrounded By Mystery.

DETROIT, Mich., Mar. 17.—(AP)—James E. Hall, wealthy beverage establishment owner, kidnaped yesterday and held for \$10,000 ransom, was released by his abductors today upon payment of the ransom, his friends announced.

The ransom was reported to have been turned over to Hall's abductors at an appointed rendezvous by James L. Shumway, a close friend of the abducted man. Later it was reported that Hall and his wife, who were not to be found to be interviewed, were seen to enter a bank.

Hall was taken from his home yesterday by two men who represented themselves as officers. DETEROIT, Mich., Mar. 17.—(AP)—A \$10,000 ransom demanded by kidnapers for the release of James E. Hall, beverage establishment operator abducted yesterday, has been raised by his friends and sent to an appointed rendezvous, his associates said today.

SENATOR FERRIS VERY SICK MAN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17.—(AP)—Senator Ferris of Michigan was today by members of his family said to be a "very sick man with a fighting chance for recovery." The senator, who is 75 years of age, has been confined to his room for a week with a severe cold which has developed into pneumonia.

S. P. FIGHTS BUS LINE TO OREGON

SALEM, Ore., Mar. 17.—(AP)—An effort of the California Transit company to provide intrastate bus service in Oregon is being protested by the Southern Pacific Transport company and the Oregon Stages. The public service commission announced that the California company had filed a new time schedule providing for intrastate service and that the Southern Pacific and the Oregon Stages had filed protests. The basis of the protests is that the territory is already adequately served by stage service and that the additional competition would be unfair.

BORAH FLOODED WITH OIL CASH

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17.—(AP)—A new batch of contributions today rolled into the office of Senator Borah of Idaho, who is conducting a campaign to "repudiate" the \$100,000 contribution of Harry F. Sinclair to the republican party. The contribution ranged from \$1 to \$50, but the office force of the senator was too busy getting started on its work of recording to contributors to give details or names or donors. One New York clergyman whose name was not revealed contributed a small sum and announced that he would take the matter up with his congregation tomorrow.

Al Smith Wears a Green Shirt, Sings Wearing o' the Green

ALBANY, N. Y., Mar. 17.—(AP) Whistling "The Wearing of the Green," Governor Smith went to work this morning in a costume which he fitted the time of the song. A green shirt, green tie, and a handkerchief of the same hue tucked in his breast pocket left no doubt that the governor was fittingly observing the anniversary of the day on which St. Patrick arrived in Ireland.

WORLD IS NOT DISINTEGRATING SCIENCE FINDS

Important Discovery Made By Dr. Millikan, Famous Scientist, Process of Creation Still Going On—Einstein's Theory Is Sustained by Experiments.

PASADENA, Cal., Mar. 17.—(AP)—Discovery of evidence that the process of creation now is going on in the heavens and that the earth is being a disintegrating world as long has been believed, is a changing, continuously evolving one, was announced by Dr. Robert A. Millikan, famous scientist, last night at a meeting of California Institute of Technology Associates. Dr. Millikan's announcement follows new measurements of the cosmic rays made by him which have not yet been concluded. He declared these investigations had shown that the cosmic rays, instead of being widely composed of definite kinds of rays, they have frequencies identical with those which result from the loss of mass in accordance with the equation of Einstein, thus upholding the latter's theory.

The scientist warned that his announcement should not be accepted as fact until it has been proved by further tests. He declared, however, that his discoveries are the first indication that the creative process actually is going on and that ordinary elements are being formed continually out of electrons.

Dr. Millikan classified the cosmic rays which have been the subject of his measurements as "announcements of birth of the elements." His announcement read in part: "Through new and more precise measurements on cosmic rays than those heretofore made, Millikan and Cameron have just succeeded in bringing forth quantitative results that those rays represent the precise amount of energy that should, according to Einstein's equation showing the relation of mass to energy, be emitted in the form of either waves when the primordial positive and negative electrons unite to create helium atoms and other light atoms such as oxygen and silicon, magnesium and iron.

"Millikan and Cameron have investigated these rays through experiments in high mountain lakes both in California and in Bolivia and Millikan and Bowen have studied them with the aid of self-recording electroscopes sent up by sounding balloons which reached nine-tenths of the way to the top of the earth's atmosphere. The result obtained in such investigations during the last eight months constitute the first indubitable evidence that the cosmic rays with which they have been experimenting, instead of being spread like white light over a considerable spectral range, consist of bands of definite frequency, or color, like the light from a neon lamp or from a Cooper-Hewitt mercury arc.

OS WEST LOYAL TO JACK ASS

Former Governor In Public Statement Says He Will Stand By Jackass Instead Of Tiger—Big Battle Looms Between Smith-McAdoo Factions In Oregon—"We Are Jackasses," Says Os.

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 17.—(AP) Democrats of Oregon face a three-cornered fight in the May primaries on the presidential nomination issue. Following declaration by supporters of Governor Alfred E. Smith, of New York, that his name will be put on the ballot by petition, assurance has been given that the names of Senator Thomas J. Walsh, of Montana, and Senator James A. Reed, of Missouri also will be on the ticket in the fight for Oregon's delegates to the democratic convention.

Ranks of the democrats have been split by declarations of Oswald West, former governor, who is democratic national committee man in opposition to Smith, and an onslaught from Charles H. Treacy, vice chairman for Oregon on the western states Smith for president association. Treacy in a statement charged Walsh was being used as a "cat's paw for William G. McAdoo in his old feud with Smith." Treacy declared that Walsh had committed political suicide in his own home state by entering the presidential race.

West, who a week ago fired a broadside into the Smith camp, renewed the fray today by issuing another statement in which he said: "I was long in understanding why the jackass was chosen as the emblem of the democratic party. Finally it dawned on me that it was because we, as a party, could usually be depended upon to make jackasses of ourselves at a time when such action was needed by the republican party to insure success at the polls. Our chosen emblem has, therefore, become quite appropriate and something of an institution."

"Yes, it is being proposed that we ditch the jackass and accept the tiger. I understand that the battle cry will be 'down with the jackass and up with the tiger.' " "I for one propose to stand by the jackass. He has been sober and honest and faithful these many years and it would not only be unwise but unfair to dethrone him at this time. I therefore appeal to all democrats to rally to the defense of the jackass. He is calling for help. Let his friends respond."

Other political developments of the week were the filing of the declaration of candidacy of Thomas J. Handley, Portland attorney, for secretary of state, and announcement of Hal Hoss, former private secretary to Governor L. L. Patterson, that he would formally enter the contest next week.

H. H. Corey, public service commissioner from eastern Oregon formally announced a week ago. SALEM, Ore., Mar. 17.—(AP) A. W. Schupp of Klamath Falls, goes on record for Herbert Hoover in filing with the secretary of state today his candidacy for delegate to the national republican convention from the state at large.

John Manning of Portland filed his candidacy for delegate from the state at large to the national democratic convention. He declares himself in favor of Al Smith for president. Walter W. Russell of McMinnville filed today as a candidate for the republican nomination for representative in the legislature for Yamhill county.

SHE'S SHAMROCK QUEEN FOR A DAY



Miss Louise Hutchins, student at the University of Oklahoma, at Norman, Okla., who was elected queen of the engineering college's St. Patrick's day festivities.

DEAD 5 MINUTES TILLAMOOK AND WOMAN REVIVES SALEM TO PLAY WILL RECOVER IN CONSOLATION

Surgical Operation After Astoria Slaughtered By Heart Had Stopped Saves Salem High This Morning Life of Chicago Woman—Interest Intense In The Medford Washington Game Tonight—Portlanders Given A Slight Edge.

SALEM, Ore., Mar. 17.—(AP) Sitting through the Astoria defense with ease, Salem high school used a short passing attack and defeated the fishermen 48 to 29 this morning in a semi-final consolation match of the Oregon state high school basketball tournament at Willamette university.

Tonight at 7:30 o'clock, Salem faces Tillamook in the final consolation match to determine the third best team. At 8:30, Washington and Medford meet in the championship battle.

FOLLIES LEADER HAS BREAKDOWN

NEW YORK, Mar. 17.—(AP)—A statement from the office of Florence Ziegfeld today said that he had collapsed under the strain of staging his musical production and had gone to his camp in Canada. While there he will not be permitted to do any work of any sort, nor to receive telephone calls, cables or telegrams, the statement says.

ST PATRICKS PARADE IS HELD NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Mar. 17.—(AP)—Twenty-five thousand wearers of the green, parading up Fifth Avenue was the big feature of New York's St. Patrick's day. Included in the 25,000 were representatives of the police, firemen and 165th infantry (the old fighting 69th).

U. S. A. GIRL IS BRIDE OF HINDU KING

Rare Scenes Of Oriental Splendor Mark Marriage Of Nancy Ann Miller Of Seattle And The Former Ruler Of Indore—Elephants In The Nuptial Procession.

BARWAHA, India, Mar. 17.—(AP) Amid scenes of Oriental splendor, the nuptial ceremony proper of Tukoji Rao, former maharajah of Indore and Nancy Ann Miller of Seattle, Wash., took place late today.

The bride and bridegroom set forth in separate processions for the pavilion where the ceremony was held, the former ruler in full state dress and wearing blazing jewelry and the bride wearing the dress of a maharajah's princess.

The only European touch was an engagement ring with a magnificent diamond. The procession which included elephants, traversed the densely crowded streets to the pavilion where an enormous crowd had gathered. A banquet at which 10,000 guests were expected, was scheduled to follow.

BARWAHA, India, Mar. 17.—(AP) Attired in costly silks and with the highest vedic rites, Nancy Ann Miller of Seattle, Wash., entered upon the final ceremonies today which make her the Hindu bride of Tukoji Rao, former Maharajah of Indore.

The preliminary ceremonies began here this morning amid scenes of the greatest splendor. Barwaha was transformed by multi-colored bunting and festoons adorning the townships. The palace grounds were brilliantly lit with electric lights. Two pavilions had been erected, one for the performance of the marriage ceremonies, the other for the reception of the guests.

Both were hung with rich tapestries. Cars laden with holiday crowds, men, women and children poured into the town all night. Musicians, dancers and picturesque performers added to the festive scene.

While the ceremonies were in progress, the former maharajah's hall, spare form moved among the hundreds of his former subjects, especially children whom he smilingly patted on the head.

His cold reserve thawed in the course of a chat with newspapermen and he said that he expected to proceed with Miss Miller to Indore on Monday to stay there a few days and then to leave for Europe at an early date in order to enable Miss Miller to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

BARWAHA, India, Mar. 17.—(AP) Miss Nancy Ann Miller of Seattle, Wash., today was admitted to the Dhanagar caste at a ceremony preliminary to her wedding to Tukoji Rao, former Maharajah of Indore, who is a member of that caste.

Known under the name of Shartoria, the American girl sat down to a meal with the women of the caste after accepting food of which the bridegroom previously had partaken. This ceremony made Shartoria a "maratha" as well as a Hindu.

Overnight Barwaha had been converted into a dream city of romance and splendor for the marriage. Miss Miller wore a brilliant magenta sari and her head was covered with a cloth of gold.

Later in the morning she was adopted into the Holkar family with all religious rites. During the ritual she sat on a silver cushion. Beside her sat the senior maharajah, two mothers-in-law and the senior members of the caste. The blessings of the Hindu god Ganesha were invoked upon the function by the priests. The members of the Holkar family then warmly received the new member.

After her adoption into the Holkar family the American girl emerged from the marquee where the elaborate ceremonies had taken place with the title of "Highness" the Maharajah Shartoria Holkar, which to Indians is an awe-inspiring change from plain Nancy Miller.

Government Orders Federal Probe of 7 St. Francis Disaster

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Mar. 17.—(AP)—Dr. Edwood Mead, head of the United States reclamation department, who has been ordered to conduct the federal investigation of the collapse of the St. Francis dam in California, will leave for the West tonight and will start the investigation Wednesday, he said here today.

HICKMAN SAYS HE SHOT TOMS CLEARS HIS PAL

Boy Fiend Dressed In As Convict At Convict At San Quentin Makes Another Confession—Clears Boy Sentenced For Crime.

SAN QUENTIN, Mar. 17.—(AP)—Hickman's guards after he was safe in prison today said the slayer of Marian Parker also confessed on the trip from Los Angeles that he had killed Toms, the drugist. He was quoted as saying: "I killed that man Toms. Welby Hunt didn't do it. I did it myself."

SAN QUENTIN, Cal., Mar. 17.—(AP) The gates of the penitentiary closed on William Edward Hickman here today and the slayer of Marian Parker became convict No. 44,044 to await his execution on April 27. Hickman and his partner in crime, Welby Hunt, arrived from Los Angeles and entered the prison at 9:14 a. m. Hunt, who is to serve a life term for his part in the slaying of a Los Angeles druggist during a holdup, was shackled to Hickman.

They posed for photographs in front of the prison gate. On board the ferryboat enroute to the prison Hickman had a large order of ham and eggs for breakfast and ate with relish. When he and Hunt, accompanied by heavily armed officers and a number of other prisoners, arrived in Richmond they were met by a curious crowd of about 200 persons.

Most of the spectators were girls and one young girl climbed on the running board of the automobile carrying Hickman and rode for some distance before the officers made her get off. Hickman was assigned to cell No. 29 in the condemned room between cells occupied by John J. Malone, Los Angeles wife slayer, and Edgar LaPierre, who killed a policeman in Oakland.

LaPierre also is sentenced to hang on April 27. Varden James B. Holohan personally met Hickman and Hunt at the prison gate. He was an unusually foggy morning and extra guards were detailed to prevent any attempt to escape or any demonstrations. Special riflemen stood behind the prison gate.

Many convicts gazed curiously at Hickman as he entered, but there was no demonstration. A change of attitude suddenly came over Hickman and Hunt and the two youths seemed plunged to the depths of despair as the cold walls of the penitentiary enclosed them.

Hickman appeared very pale and Hunt's face was sober. Neither talked or laughed. Hickman was hatless. He wore a red and black checked slip-on sweater, blue serge trousers and a soft white shirt, open at the throat. Hunt was given No. 44,044. He will be assigned to work in the jute mill.

The young convicts went thru the regular routine of entering the prison. Finger prints and measurements were taken and they were photographed in front and side views. Then they were escorted to the stock room where they discarded all clothing and were issued new prison apparel. Entering the prison tailor shop they were measured for grey prison clothes.

By noon they had entered their cells. Hickman's cell is located in a section called the "stones" by the convicts. That particular part of the prison was constructed in 1859 and formed the nucleus for the other buildings.

L. ANGELES SHOULDERS DAM LOSS

Southern City Refuses All Outside Aid And Declares Losses Will Be Paid And Suffering Relieved—Rescue Airplane Crashes—Death Total 243.

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 17.—(AP)—The job of repairing the havoc spread by the breaking of the St. Francis dam today had been hoisted by the city of Los Angeles—unofficially at least—onto its own shoulders.

Mayor George Cryer, acknowledging the city's "moral responsibility," told a conference of city councilmen and officials: "We cannot restore the lives that have been lost, but we can and will make amends for the property damage that has been wrought."

The mayor and city officials turned down the suggestion of Red Cross representatives that a national appeal be made for funds for the flood torn San Francisco canyon and Santa Clara river valley.

"I feel," the mayor said, "that Los Angeles is perfectly capable of handling the situation. Certainly we can devise ways and means of providing the necessary funds."

An almost military organization with tractors and steam shovels acting as the tanks and heavy artillery and a thousand volunteer searchers as the army has continued looking for bodies of flood victims.

The latest check of all sources by newspapers last night showed 243 bodies recovered, 209 of them having been identified and 34 unidentified.

At Santa Paula preparations are under way for a public funeral Monday for the flood victims. In other communities, Fillmore, Oxnard, Moorpark, Piru and Ventura, plans are being made for similar services.

274 MILLION WAR SHIP PROGRAM IS PASSED BY HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17.—(AP)—The \$274,000,000 new warship construction program was approved today by the house and sent to the senate. The vote was 287 to 57.

In passing the Butler bill, the house voted for the construction of fifteen cruisers of 10,000 tons displacement each and one aircraft carrier of 13,500 tons.

The measure carries a provision requesting the president to urge the "necessity" of another international conference for the limitation of naval armaments and gives him authority to suspend the proposed construction either in whole or in part in the event of a limitation agreement.

In addition the bill would provide that eight of the new ships must be built in navy yards.

Fire Chief Meeting SALEM, Ore., Mar. 17.—(AP)—The annual convention of the Oregon State Fire Chiefs' association will be held at Marshfield June 7, 8 and 9. The time and place were fixed at a meeting of a special committee at the office of State Fire Marshal Clarence A. Lee, yesterday.

Canzone Operated On NEW YORK, Mar. 17.—(AP)—Tony Canzone, world's featherweight champion, was convalescing in a private hospital here today after an operation for the removal of tonsils.

Senators Reject Esch. WASHINGTON, Mar. 17.—(AP)—The nomination of John J. Esch as a member of the interstate commerce commission for another term was rejected today by the senate, 32 to 29.