The Weather
Prediction—Fair.
Maximum yesterday 63
Minimum today 31

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Weather Year Ago
Maximum 67
Minimum 36

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Wall St. Highflying.
Wealth, Study Yourieff.
The Great Umberto.
New York's Museum.

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Three foreign fliers visited Wall Street's stock exchange Tuesday and congratulated the bulls on an endurance flight that has lasted for months.

The bears' sad and prolonged crash was viewed with sympathy.

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President Coolidge will give medals to six fliers—three recently arrived, the Frenchmen, Costes and Lebrix, and the able Italian, Nobile.

He might add one medal for Miss Junkers, daughter of the man that made the westward flying airplane, responsible for the ship's success. Through all the excitement she has kept out of the limelight and that deserves a medal.

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General Yourief, related to Peter the Great, fought under the czar against Japan, owned vast estates covering 50,000 acres, and a big fortune. Bolshevism has them now and he is dead.

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Rich Americans learn from Yourieff that everything depends on KEEPING THE PEOPLE SATISFIED. Without that, power and money are temporary. All the czars could not protect Yourieff in his possessions once the people were thoroughly dissatisfied and ABLY LED.

Moral: Keep the people happy.

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Italy's heavyweight champion is here, 22 years old, 5 feet 2 inches tall, weight 235 pounds. Boxing two and a half years, each of his ten opponents kindly became unconscious in four rounds or less.

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This descendant of Roman gladiators, Umberto Tolini, is artistic, sings, plays several musical instruments and could

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E. B. PIPER, OREGONIAN HEAD, DIES

Leading Editor of the State Passes Away Suddenly From Heart Attack—Had Been Ill Several Months, But Death Not Expected.

PORTLAND, May 3.—(Special to Mail Tribune)—Edgar B. Piper died at 3:10 p. m. this afternoon, after several weeks' illness, from heart disease and complications.

Edgar B. Piper was for many years one of the outstanding newspaper editors of the Pacific coast. Since 1910, when he succeeded the late Harvey W. Scott as editor in chief of the Oregonian, he directed the destinies of that newspaper, and was active in civic affairs. He was widely known as a speaker, as well as editor.

While most of his life was devoted to the Oregonian, he was for several years connected with the Seattle Post Intelligencer as editor and part owner. For a short time he was connected with the Associated Press as an editor in the San Francisco division headquarters.

Born in Warsaw, Ind., February 25, 1865, he moved with his family in 1876 to Albany, Ore., where he began his newspaper experience as a "printer's devil"

Edgar B. Piper.

in the office of the State Rights Democrat. Later his family moved to Salem, where he entered Willamette University. He helped his way through college by working in the office of the Oregon Statesman as compositor and later as reporter and city editor.

In 1888 Mr. Piper accepted a position on the Seattle Post Intelligencer, being promoted to city editor within two months. He went to Grays Harbor City, Wn., where he established a paper, but the community waned, and he returned to Seattle, where he became associated with his brother, George U. Piper, on the Seattle Press Times. He then went to San Francisco as an editor for the Associated Press, but remained there only a short time, being offered the city editorship of the Portland Oregonian.

Three years later he and his brother took over the Seattle Post Intelligencer. They sold the paper in 1900 for three times the price they paid for it. He returned to Portland, and became executive news editor of the Oregonian. Four years later he became managing editor, and on the death of Harvey W. Scott in 1910, he became editor in chief.

HEFLIN RENEWS HIS ATTACKS ON SMITH

WASHINGTON, May 3.—(AP)—Renewing his assaults upon Governor Smith's presidential candidacy, Senator Heflin, democrat, Alabama, demanded in the senate today that the new campaign funds committee make a searching inquiry into the financing of Smith's pre-convention campaign.

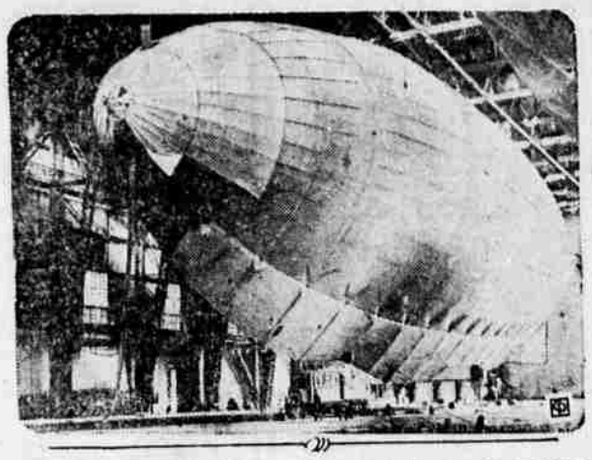
Heflin said he believed the largest slush fund ever used in behalf of a candidate for office had been expended to promote the governor's candidacy.

"I trust this new senate committee will get busy," he said. "I want them to summon Governor Smith's managers from California and the managers of other candidates."

Navy Officer Drowned.

HONOLULU, May 3.—(AP)—Lieutenant Frank B. Hillhouse, morale officer of the Seventeenth naval district, was drowned early today during a moonlight swimming party at the home of Lieutenant C. F. M. S. Quinby at Black Point. The body was not recovered.

Big Airship Soars Northward



Above the dirigible "Italia" is shown in its hangar just before starting for its voyage to the North Pole for scientific observations. Today the Italia was reported enroute to Spitzbergen.

REED REFUSES TO MAKE RUN FOR 3D PARTY

Missouri Senator Says He's Democrat First Last and All the Time—Repudiates His Representative in California, Who Started Fuss.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—(AP)—Disapproval of the proposal of Wilbur Legette of California for a third party in the event Governor Smith of New York is nominated for president by the democrats was expressed today by Senator Reed of Missouri, suggested as a possible head of the ticket.

In a telegram to Josephus Daniels of North Carolina, who was asked by Mr. Legette to run as a vice presidential candidate on an independent ticket with Senator Reed, the latter said today:

"I am a democrat. I shall go forward with my campaign."

The text of the telegram read: "I know nothing whatever of Wilbur Legette's proposal for a third party movement, except what is contained in the morning papers. I am in no manner responsible for his statement, nor do I approve of it. I shall go forward with my campaign. I am a democrat. It is the duty and the mission of the democratic party to wipe out corruption and restore decent and popular government."

The author of the suggestion was connected with Reed's organization in the California primary campaign but it was declared emphatically at the senator's office that he never was the state campaign manager.

Reed added he hoped the Houston convention would make a clear-cut declaration for prohibition enforcement.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—(AP)—Senator Reed of Missouri, candidate for the democratic presidential nomination, today disavowed responsibility for the suggestion made by Wilbur Legette of California that an independent party be formed in the event of the nomination of Governor Smith of New York.

The senator's statement was made in a telegram today to Josephus Daniels, former naval secretary, to whom Legette proposed the move.

Mr. Daniels replied to Legette last night refusing to have anything to do with such a movement and announcing that he would support the nominee of the party in the coming campaign.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—(AP) A third party movement among democrats unfriendly to Governor Alfred E. Smith had poked its head into the political spotlight today following the New York executive's decisive victory in the California presidential primaries.

What success the effort will achieve remains to be seen. Its first attempt to find willing candidates has failed.

Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy under President Wilson, put his foot down hard on a move made by Wilbur Legette, California manager for Senator Reed of Missouri, to have the former cabinet officer run for vice president on a third party ticket headed by Reed or Borah, if they should agree to make the race.

Neither Reed nor Borah have been heard from. It was not stated in the Los Angeles dispatches carrying the Legette appeal to Daniels whether either senator had been consulted. Daniels, however, at his Raleigh, N. C., home, refused flatly to accept a third party nomination, declaring he would support the nominees at Houston and saw little chance to "wrest the government from the hands of privilege and corruption," unless

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MR. COOLIDGE TAKES A LOOK AT HORN TOAD

President Only Touches Animal With His Spectacles, However—Three Horned Toads On Exhibition Now in Medford.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—(AP)—Wrapped in a bundle of newspapers and accompanied by Senator Mayfield and other prominent Texans, the famous horned toad that supposedly for 31 years was walled in the cornerstone of the courthouse at Eastland, today was formally displayed to President Coolidge.

Will M. Wood, its owner, explained the circumstances of its burial and discovery. Mr. Coolidge, though amused, limited himself to looking at the creature and touching it with his spectacles. Mr. Wood is taking the animal to New York.

Scientists are in dispute over the age of the toad.

Three frisky horned toads, if horned toads can be designated as frisky, are enjoying the admiration of Medford sight seers, in the Rankin Estes window on South Front street today, having arrived in Medford from Coleman, Texas, Monday. The toads, which were sent to the local man by his father, M. J. Estes, made the trip in a cigar box, tightly sealed.

They were inactive, until placed in the Front street window on a pile of warm sand, and then immediately began to show interest in their surroundings. The youngster of the trio, dug his way down into the pile and succeeded in gaining plenty of warmth, before he responded to the greeting of the local reception committee. Another of the three draped a piece of paper around his shivering body, but nodded his horned crown in acknowledgment of the admiration registered his way.

In strength of the theory that horned toads can live indefinitely without food or water, H. D. Goodloe, local representative of the Neon Electric Sign company, tells about a particular horned toad he had in Texas, which lived seven months in a collar box without either food or water or much air.

Mr. Goodloe had visited his family at Christmas time, caught the toad, and because, when he was ready to leave, his father, a merchant, didn't want to bother taking care of it, the local man placed the toad in a collar box and pushed it on a top shelf in the stock room, back of a row of stock. He returned to his home the latter part of July and pulled out the undisturbed collar box, finding his pet alive and happy.

CONGESTION AT SALEM RELIEVED

SALEM, Ore., May 3.—(AP)—The congested condition of population at the state penitentiary has been relieved, Superintendent Henry W. Meyers reported to the state board of control today, by the arrangement of a dormitory room with a capacity of 30. This will make available 15 cells for the accommodation of new prisoners, with two men assigned to each cell.

The dormitory has been improvised from space in the basement heretofore used for storage purposes.

The peak in population at the prison was reached April 28 when the register showed 702 inmates.

The per capita cost of operating the prison during April was $26.11, the lowest for many years.

WOMAN ON TRIAL FOR N. Y. GRAFT

First Woman to Hold Office in New York State Goes On Trial On Charge of Stealing From State—Daughter-in-Law Is First State Witness.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 3.—(AP)—Clara Blanche Knapp, an instructor at Middlebury college, Middlebury, Vt., testifying today at the trial of her stepmother, Mrs. Florence E. S. Knapp, former secretary of state, said that she had done no work on the state census in 1925 and did not know that she was on the state payroll.

Mrs. Knapp is charged with diverting to her own use a payroll check for $2875.06 made out in favor of the stepdaughter.

The witness, in answer to questions by George Z. Medalie, prosecutor, said she had never lived in Albany and was not in the state at times supposed to have been covered by checks against census funds in her favor.

When luncheon recess was ordered, Miss Knapp went to the table where Mrs. Knapp was sitting.

"I hope I haven't hurt you," Miss Knapp said.

"I am safe," replied the former secretary of state.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 3.—(AP)—Mrs. Florence E. S. Knapp, first woman ever to hold a state elective office in New York, today heard a special deputy attorney characterize her in court as "a cheat and a swindler," for the alleged larceny of state funds during the census enumeration that she managed as secretary of state.

George C. Medalie, the prosecutor, began his opening statement to the jury in Mrs. Knapp's trial for grand larceny this morning before Supreme Court Justice Colehagen, appointed by the governor to conduct a special term to hear the charges of maladministration.

"The indictment in this case," Medalie began, "charges that on November 17, 1925, the defendant stole from the state of New York a check in the amount of $2875.06."

Just before court convened a clerk hung against the wall in full view of the jury box a huge chart indicating census salary payments to six relatives of Mrs. Knapp. The chart showed the amounts of the payments and the periods covered in each case and quickly became th esubject of the first objection of the actual trial.

CONNER FRUIT PROPERITY SOLD PRICE $15,000

C. and E. Fruit Company Purchases Packing House and Will Enlarge for the 1928 Season—Earl Packing Plant Leased.

A deal was closed last Monday, whereby the Guy W. Conner property at the corner of South Fir and 11th streets, came into the possession of the C. and E. Fruit company, this city, of which W. F. Biddle is president, and James E. Edmiston, secretary and manager. The sum involved was given as $15,000. The deal was made through R. V. Williams, realtor, acting for the purchasers and Ray E. Wright, referee in bankruptcy for the Conner interests.

The property consists of a concrete warehouse, 100 by 100 feet, five lots extending from the railroad tracks to Fir street, and the packing house equipment.

Work has started on the enlargement of the plant, with a floor space of 170 feet by 100 feet.

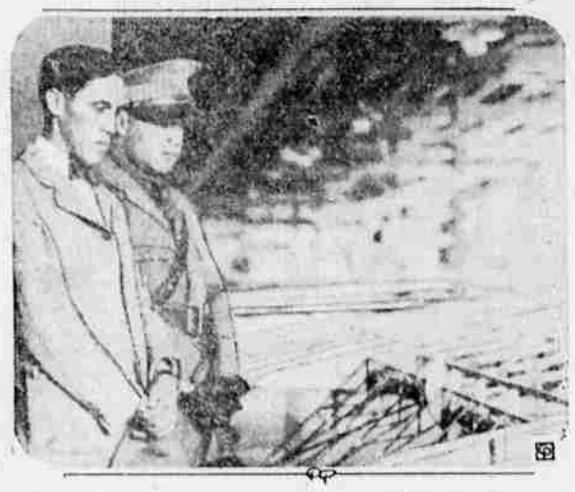
The capacity of the plant will be double with the installation of new grading machines, four large type Bean washing machines, and other machinery. The plant will be in full operation before the opening of the fruit season.

The warehouse on the railroad tracks, near Main street, known as the Earl Packing plant, and controlled by the C. and E. company has been leased to Steinhardt and Kelly, who will operate their own packing plant this year.

To Rush Tax Bill.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—(AP)—The $200,000,000 tax reduction bill was taken up for consideration in the senate today and given a clear track until disposed of.

MEXICO TO RETURN LINDY'S HOP



Financed by popular subscription, Captain Emilio Carranza, Mexican air ace, is planning to return the courtesy of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh's Washington to Mexico City flight, in May. His plane, a replica of Lindy's new model, is being built at San Diego, Cal., where Carranza, left, is shown inspecting a wing of the plane with Captain Luis Lopez, of the Mexican army. Carranza plans to fly the plane from San Diego to Mexico City, and then pilot it alone on a non-stop attempt to Washington, D. C.

AVIATOR SURE HE WILL BREAK LINDY'S RECORD

Lone Hand Aspirant for Air Endurance Record Is Busy Dropping Down Messages in Milk Bottles—Nearing Half Way Mark.

ROOSEVELT FIELD, NEW YORK, May 3.—(AP)—With more than a third of his necessary time in the air behind him, Royal V. Thomas, lone-hand aspirant for the world endurance flight record, was still circling above the flying field today.

Thomas took the air in a ship similar to Charles Levine's Columbia, which made an endurance record a year ago, at 12:30:01 p. m., eastern daylight time, yesterday. He would have to stay up until 7:06:16 tomorrow night to set a new record.

On the way he hoped to beat Lindbergh's record for an unaccompanied flight of 33 hours and a half, which he would surpass by staying in the air until 10 o'clock tonight.

Except for a note asking if he had spilled any gasoline on the take-off, Thomas did not communicate with the ground during his first day in the air, though he received reports on the weather by radio every two hours.

Shortly before noon a message was dropped from the plane, asking of a previous message dropped in a milk bottle had been received. Search resulted in recovery of the bottle and a message reporting that everything was "going fine."

"It's a great life, nothing to do till tomorrow. With the time nearly half over I'm quite sure I can make it."

Thomas also asked for the quotations on several stocks and asked that Jackson Martindell, his backer, and Mrs. Colin Kemper, be informed of his progress.

CHICKASHA, Okla., May 3.—(AP)—Joe Hart took the air at 5:43:45 o'clock this morning in an attempt to set a new world's record for sustained flight. The Chickasha businessman-aviator was alone.

Despite a quarter wind that blew across his runway from the southeast, Hart made a spectacular hop-off, the heavily loaded plane leaving the runway before it reached the mile post.

CHICKASHA, Okla., May 3.—(AP)—After encountering rain storms in southern Oklahoma all morning, Joe Hart, Chickasha aviator, who took off shortly after five a. m., today in an attempt to set a new sustained flight record returned to the Chickasha airport this afternoon and landed.

Baseball Scores

National

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	5	10	2
Pittsburg	4	12	1

Batteries: Brandt and Taylor; Kremer and Smith, Gooch.

American

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	3	6	1
Philadelphia	1	4	2

Batteries: Gremell and Cochrane; Morris and Heving.

The Noted Dead

NEW YORK, May 3.—(AP) Alvin W. Krech, chairman of the board of trustees of the Equitable Trust company, one of the largest banks in the country, died suddenly in his office today.

DRIVE FOR CUT IN FREIGHT ON FRUIT STARTED

Rawles Moore Represents Local Growers at Salem Meeting—To File a Complaint Against High Freight On Oregon Fruit.

SALEM, Ore., May 3.—(AP) For the purpose of formulating a joint complaint to the inter-state commerce commission alleging excessive freight rates on deciduous fruit shipments east and demanding a reduction to a parity with rates accorded California, representatives of the utilities commissions and fruit shippers of Oregon, Washington and Idaho are in conference here today.

Apples, pears, prunes and all other deciduous fruits are involved. Instead of the present schedules of varying rates eastward from different northwest points, the complaint will ask for blanket rates.

The complaint will ask the inter state commerce commission for a joint hearing. If granted, the investigation of the I. C. C. will be under the Hoch-Smith resolution pertaining to general rate reductions. While the demands of the three northwestern states would be practically identical and known as a joint complaint, separate complaints will be filed with the inter-state commission.

In addition to the Oregon commission and its attorney, W. P. Ellis, the following are attending the conference; Rawles Moore of Medford, representing the Rogue River valley district; P. L. Thompkins of Hood River, president of the Hood River Traffic association; J. M. Thompson, member of the Idaho utilities commission; Samuel Newton, rate expert for the Idaho commission; O. O. Haga, representing Idaho fruit shippers; Commissioner Welch of Idaho agricultural department; J. P. Gray of Nampa, appearing for growers; and John O. Moran of San Francisco, attorney for Washington department of public works.

FORD ANNOUNCES A NEW PLAN FOR CAR FINANCING

DETROIT, May 3.—(AP) Edsel Ford, president of the Ford Motor company today announced organization of the Universal Credit corporation, an affiliated organization controlled by the Ford company, to operate solely for the purpose of financing Ford products on a time payment plan. It will have an initial capital of $10,000,000.

The announcement of details concerning the organization confirmed previous reports that the Ford company planned to finance Ford products sold by dealers on a time payment basis.

The plan, Ford announced, is nation-wide in scope and is for exclusive use of Ford dealers. The first branch unit will be established in Detroit in June.

The Universal Credit corporation will be headed by Ernest Kanzler, former vice president of the Ford company and executive vice president of the Guardian Detroit bank.

MEADVILLE, Pa.—Larry Bridnolia, Erie, Pa., knocked out Toughy Mayne, Columbus, Ohio (3); Johnny Pollock, Youngstown, Ohio, won on a foul from Jimmy Reid, Reidville, (4).

BIG AIRSHIP HEADS FOR NORTH POLE

General Nobile's Italia Enters Fringe of Arctic Circle Over Gulf of Bosnia—Nobile May Stop to See U. S. Fliers at Spitzbergen

GRISSELHAMM, Sweden, May 3.—(AP)—General Nobile's dirigible Italia passed over this city at 12:15 p. m. It soon disappeared over the Gulf of Bosnia.

(Grisselhamm is about fifty miles north of Stockholm).

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, May 3.—(AP)—General Umberto Nobile, headed for King's Bay, Spitzbergen, in the dirigible, Italia, was maintaining steady and continuous communication this morning with the Swedish wireless station at Landsort, north of Karlskrona and the one at Vaxholm, north of Stockholm. He repeated this message three times:

"Everything is all right. Can you hear? The Italia is making a speed of sixty kilometers an hour."

STOLP, Germany, May 3.—(AP)—The sturdy dirigible, Italia, which withstood a flight of buffeting by adverse weather on its trip from Milan, Italy, on April 15-16, was headed north today for the fringe of Arctic wastes which it is to explore. Taking off from Seddin airdrome near here at 3:20 a. m., the airship, which is carrying an Italian expedition to explore north polar lands, had on board two passengers who once before crossed over the north pole in a dirigible—General Umberto Nobile, commander of the expedition, and Titiana its fox terrier mascot. They flew over the pole in the ship two years ago with Roald Amundsen and Lincoln Ellsworth.

The Italia will go to King's Bay, Spitzbergen, where the supply ship Citta di Milano, which will be used as a base for exploration, is awaiting the airship's arrival. It is some 1700 miles from Stolp to King's Bay and it was thought likely that the dirigible would land en route at Vadsoe, on the northern rim of Norway, to take on additional gas and benzine. The route was tentatively set to cover about 1500 miles from Stolp to Vadsoe, passing over Gothland and Stockholm.

Captain George H. Wilkins and Lieutenant Carl B. Eielson, who flew to Spitzbergen from Point Barrow, Alaska, were expected to greet the Italia on its arrival at King's Bay. General Nobile was anxious to consult with them on flying conditions encountered and observations made in the polar regions.

ROSEBURG YOUNG MAN IS INDICTED FOR AUTO DEATH

ROSEBURG, Ore., May 3.—(AP) An indictment charging involuntary manslaughter was returned today by the grand jury against Roland Schwartz, Roseburg young man, who was the driver of the car in which Mrs. Mary Julia Robertson met her death February 20. Mrs. Robertson was a member of a party of six young people who were returning from a country dance in the Schwartz car. The machine was wrecked and the young matron was killed and other members of the party hurt. There was considerable conflicting testimony before the coroner's jury regarding the speed of the car and the indications that members of the party had been drinking. An indictment was also brought against Harry Rapp, who is accused of possession of liquor. Rapp was an occupant of the car in which Jack Waynick, local restaurant employee, was killed on March 11. Evidence at the coroner's inquest was to the effect that considerable liquor was found at the scene of the wreck and that Rapp and Waynick had both been drinking. They were on their way to the coast after an all-night party when the accident occurred.

B. F. and D. S. Moore, father and son, were charged on two counts with violations of the liquor laws in a third indictment.

Fruit Prices Today

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3.—(AP)—Apples: Boxes, California Newtown pippins, four-tier, $1.75@2.50; 2½-tier, $2.25@2.75; a few higher; Oregon and Washington Newtown pippins, XF, $3.25@3.50; fancy, $2.75@3.25.