

The Weather

Prediction—Fair. Maximum yesterday 84 Minimum today 45

Weather Year Ago

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Today

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Hoover and Smith. Joan of Arc's Day. To Chain Chain Stores. Mr. Rashob and the Robin

Secretary Mellon says, referring to the presidency: "Mr. Hoover seems to come closest to the standard that we have set for this high office."

Those few words have caused political talk to boil over. Mr. Mellon controls the Pennsylvania delegation that could make Hoover's nomination practically certain.

Mr. Mellon, one of the men best suited for the presidency, one that would have had enthusiastic support, seems to withdraw his own name from consideration. Millions will regret this.

No man has a following greater than Mr. Mellon's, among serious American business men. His Hoover endorsement will kill off much hostility to Hoover among certain Wall Street men. Their standard is money, Mellon has it—ten and a hundred times what the average "rich Mellon critic" has.

They will conclude that Hoover is good enough for them, if good enough for Mellon.

Some, that do not know Mr. Mellon, will call his statement the first step toward a seat in the Hoover band wagon. Mr. Mellon needs no man's good will, or assistance.

Close friends that know how earnestly Mellon hoped for Coolidge's acceptance of a second election, will conclude that he has abandoned that hope. President Coolidge would have been his first choice.

Republican victory Mr. Mellon takes for granted and Governor Smith, who does not deceive himself, knows that it will not be easy to beat prosperity, and seven million plurality.

Some that planned to beat Hoover with a combination "at the present moment" seem to have let that moment slip by. It is hard to turn an avalanche, as Governor Smith's opponents knew.

HOOVER AND SMITH is a reasonable safe answer to the political question of the day.

This is Joan of Arc's day and representatives of those most active in burning her alive will make the greatest fuss over her, now that she is a memory.

With only 25,000,000,000 cars in use and only 5,000,000 new cars a year, each would have to run five years.

High-spirited Americans, making and spending rapidly, could not stand that slow pace. As well expect an American woman to let a hat last five years.

Poor old Job's prosperity depended on the number of camels, sheep and asses he owned.

Russian wealth varied with the number of horses and serfs. Our wealth varies with the amount of electric power used.

How little the Chinese worried about the war. How little our so-called civilization frets as it reads, "Waves of Chinese mowed by down by Japanese machine guns," or "Japanese rained shells two days on Chinese before expelling them from Tsinan."

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AIR-RAIL SERVICE TO COAST

Pennsylvania Railroad and Curtis Airplane Company to Inaugurate New Combination Service From Coast to Coast and From Los Angeles to Seattle.

NEW YORK, May 15.—(AP)—Blair & Co., bankers, today confirmed reports that a new air-rail service reducing by many hours the journey across the United States is about to be inaugurated by the Pennsylvania and other railroads together with the Curtis Airplane & Motor company, the National Air Transport, Inc., and other aircraft companies.

It was announced that the itinerary of the western route as tentatively arranged called for leaving New York by train at 6 p. m., changing to airplane at Columbus, Ohio, at 8 a. m., and flying to Wichita, Kan., reaching there in the evening.

From Wichita a night train trip will be made to a point in New Mexico where an airfield is to be constructed, and from there the trip would call for a flight to Los Angeles, reaching the California city at about 5 p. m. of the second day after leaving New York.

From Los Angeles the schedule is expected to be extended to San Francisco and Seattle, over the air route. (This will bring the service to Medford.)

While details of the eastern trip were not available, it was said that the time would be equally fast.

NEW YORK, May 15.—(AP)—New York newspapers today say that a new national transportation system using both airplanes and railway trains, which it is hoped will eventually link New York and the Pacific coast on a 48 to 52-hour schedule, is being planned.

Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, approached with an offer to become an official of the company, said he had no intention of identifying himself with a commercial project, but said he was interested in all programs that would aid aviation.

The plans call for the eastern field to be covered by the National Air Transport company and the Pennsylvania railroad. Overtures have been made to the Boeing Air Transport company and the Western Air Transport company and the Santa Fe, Atchison, Topeka & Kansas, and Missouri Pacific railway lines to extend the service west of the Mississippi.

The new service will be controlled by a new and independent operating company which is to have a capitalization of \$5,000,000. Passengers would use the established air lines for day travel and the railways at night.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 15.—(AP)—Two deputy sheriffs of Washington county were kidnapped near Hillsboro early today by three armed men who brought them to Portland and released them, returning the officers' weapons unloaded.

The deputies, A. F. Schendel and Oscar Dooley, told police they halted a touring car at Hillsboro to search for liquor, disarming three men in the car. One of the men pulled a gun which had been concealed and began firing.

The other men recovered their guns and disarmed the deputies, bundling them into the car after shooting the headlights out of the deputies' automobile. At a street corner in Portland the kidnappers stopped and handing the officers their guns, told them to "scout."

GIANTS-CUBS SMASH ATTENDANCE RECORD

CHICAGO, May 15.—(AP)—When Giants and Cubs clash, attendance records at Wrigley field go to smash. Eighty-eight thousand fans watched the first three games of the series between the two traditional rivals, creating a new three-day record for the field. Forty-eight thousand were in attendance at Sunday's games, while Saturday and yesterday's contests were attended by 79,999 each.

Route of Italia



Route of General Umberto Nobile's dirigible Italia to its base at King's Bay, Spitzbergen, preparatory to its flight to the North Pole. Inset of Nobile.

FIGHT IN AIR NEARLY FATAL TO 2 AVIATORS

Love-Crazed Flyer Attacks Pilot With Hammer 2000 Feet in Air—Plans Falls 1800 Feet—Death Is Averted By a Miracle.

PONTIAC, Mich., May 15.—(AP)—The story of a battle 2000 feet in the air between two flyers, Harry Anderson, of Roseville, Mich., pilot, and Clarence Frechett of Detroit, an aerial exhibitionist, which resulted in the plane's crash and a remarkable escape from death by the occupants, was under investigation today.

Both men were found seriously injured in the plane, which was demolished in landing on the grounds of the state hospital for the insane yesterday.

Anderson's pilot police he was attacked by Frechett with a hammer while flying over Pontiac. Losing consciousness after repeated blows from the weapon, Anderson said, he recovered after the plane had taken a "free drop of 1800 to 1900 feet, in time to right it for the rough landing that averted almost certain death for himself and Frechett.

Anderson's skull was fractured and he was painfully injured about the face, most of his teeth having been knocked out, supposedly by blows from the hammer. Frechett was less seriously injured but required hospital treatment.

Under heavy police guard at a hospital, Frechett raved. From coherent parts of his talk, police pieced together the information that he is a stunt flier and parachute exhibitionist who went to an aviation school at Roseville a few days ago for instruction.

Yesterday he engaged Anderson, who operates a small commercial flying concern in Roseville, to pilot him to Pontiac. From letters found in Frechett's clothing, police thought the purpose of the trip might have been a bizarre and pre-conceived plan of self-destruction, the epitome of which was to have been over the home town of his sweetheart.

One of the letters, addressed to a Miss Georgia Pardee of Pontiac, couched in endearments, concluded as follows: "Death is my message, sweetheart."

Another, addressed to Frechett's mother, said he feared that "death approached."

HAL HOSS ENDORSED BY 'OREGON VOTER'

OREGON CITY, May 15.—(Special)—The Oregon Voter ticket, issued today, endorses Hal Hoss for secretary of state. Editor Chapman says Hoss is best qualified to give a business administration and keep the office out of politics. The Voter endorsement is based on careful study of all candidates.

FEAR FALL OF PEKIN NOW NEAR

Chinese Call Meeting at Nanking—Japanese Issue Ultimatum and Send Explanation to League of Nations—Americans Prepare to Flee—Japs Rush Reserves.

TOKYO, Japan, May 15.—(AP)—The war office has instructed General Fukuda, commanding the Japanese forces at Tsinan, to demand the following terms of the Chinese nationalist government:

First, a formal apology from Chian Kai-Shek, commander in chief, in connection with the Tsinan incident; second, punishment of General Ho Yao-Tsu, the nationalist commander, and others primarily responsible for the outrages; third, suspension of hostilities, propaganda and warlike activities within 20 miles from Tsinan Tientsin and the Shantung railway; fourth, the Chinese negotiator must procure credentials from Chiang Kai-Shek.

General Fukuda is also instructed to release the Chinese prisoners but to detain their arms until a satisfactory settlement is reached.

SHANGHAI, May 15.—(AP)—The Nanking nationalist government announced today that the highest authorities will confer in Nanking tomorrow to consider "important internal diplomatic questions expected to arise following the expected imminent fall of Peking."

Chiang Kai-Shek, the nationalist commander in chief, has arrived in Nanking to attend this conference. It is understood that the deliberations will include the Japanese demand growing out of the Tsinan incident.

GENEVA, May 15.—(AP)—Japan has officially sent to the League of Nations the documents outlining why Japanese troops were sent to Shantung, China.

The document received today came from M. Sato, Japanese minister in Paris, who directs Japanese activities at the League of Nations.

The importance of Sato's communication with its enclosure is felt here in the fact that Japan has now officially recognized that the League of Nations is entitled to receive explanations in the matter.

The foreign minister's declaration enclosed included the statement made on April 29 explaining that necessity of dispatching 5000 troops to Shantung, emphasizing that this should in no wise be interpreted as an act inimical to the Chinese.

It is understood that the Japanese communication will be distributed to members of the council and officially communicated to the press as soon as it can be translated, thereby receiving the same treatment as the nationalist protest.

Japanese circles in Geneva think that it is likely another Japanese communication will be forthcoming, dealing specifically with matters covered in the nationalist protest alleging that Japan was making war upon China and committing atrocities.

SHANGHAI, May 15.—(AP)—The nationalist news agency today said that Marshal Chang Tso-Lin, northern dictator, had left Peking in an armored train, arriving at Tientsin on Sunday.

The same source stated that the northern forces were preparing defense works at Shangkaiwan, at the southeast end of the Great Wall. Telegraphic communication with north China was still interrupted, messages from Peking coming belatedly through Mukden, Manchuria.

Americans, who took refuge in Tsing Tao when Japanese and Chinese clashed with heavy casualties in Tsinan, were planning today to return there, since the Japanese have restored order.

TSINGTAO, China, May 15.—(AP)—Three companies of Japanese infantry, which were sent from Tientsin on March 29, arrived here from Tsinan today and were immediately embarked aboard a Japanese destroyer to return to Tientsin because of the tense situation there.

Casualties of the Air Service

LOS ANGELES, May 15.—(AP)—One man was killed and another seriously injured when their airplane crashed to the ground south of here this morning. The dead man was Art Laverne, pilot. His passenger, Frank Nelson of Graham, is at a Southgate hospital, where physicians hold little hope for his recovery. Neither the cause nor the distance of the fall are known.

Princess and Pipe



Princess Mechtilde Lichnowsky, whose late husband was the last German ambassador to England in pre-war days, and who is an author, is shown here in her Berlin home enjoying a quiet smoke with her favorite pipe. The princess is an inveterate pipe smoker.

MELLON MAKES AGAIN WINNER HIS SUPPORT OF HOOVER CLEAR

Secretary of Treasury Fails to See Why Endorsement Doubted—Certain Hoover, if Nominated, Will Win, and Make Good President.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—(AP)—The outstanding political event on today's calendar was the New Jersey primary where 21 republican and 28 democratic delegates to the national conventions are at stake. Although some Lowden delegate candidates were in the field, Hoover's forces predicted a complete victory.

Supporters of Governor Smith, who picked up six delegates in the Wyoming convention yesterday had claimed all the New Jersey delegates to Houston.

In elaborating on his previous statement to Pennsylvania republicans that Hoover seemed to him to "come closest to the standards we have set" for the presidency, Secretary Mellon yesterday said he did not see why this should be open to various interpretations.

"It is pretty plain English," he said, after first remarking: "I think Hoover can win if nominated. I think he would make a good president."

Hoover's supporters had obtained much comfort from the first Mellon statement, claiming it practically clinched Pennsylvania's big block of 73 delegates for him, but the leading republican candidate's foes disagreed and emphasized the "however" near the end of the statement meant something entirely different. This had to do with sending the Pennsylvania delegates to Kansas City uncommitted.

Hoover's pending drive in the neighboring state of West Virginia received a boost from executives of three railroad brotherhoods and seven allied organizations. The secretary will confer with Senator Goff of West Virginia, for that state's 19 delegates in the May 29 primary.

1 GIRL DIES IN DORMITORY FIRE

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, May 15.—(AP)—Fire in Woodland Hall, a girls' dormitory at Wittenburg college, early today caused the death of a girl and the serious injury of three others, while a score of girls were routed from their beds.

Hilda Spies, 20, Shelby, Ohio, was found dead in the building by firemen who worked an hour and a half to extinguish the blaze. She had apparently fallen victim to the smoke and was burned by the flames that destroyed the dormitory.

More of the girls might have been trapped in the building, university officials said, had not most of them remained awake longer than usual to listen to a midnight serenade of a campus fraternity.

The Noted Dead

WASHINGTON, May 15.—(AP)—Edward H. Schmidt of Indianapolis, treasurer and disbursing officer of the shipping board, died suddenly here last night after a heart attack.

Transfer Glands of Dead Murderer to S. F. Charity Patient

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15.—(AP)—The Examiner today quoted Dr. L. S. Schmitt, acting dean of the University of California medical school, as saying that the glands taken from the body of Clarence "Buck" Kelly, who was hanged at San Quentin last week, were transplanted in a charity patient at the hospital and that the operation was performed "in the interest of medical science."

Dr. Schmitt declared that there was "nothing commercial or vulgar" about the operation and that the outcome of the experiment would be important to the medical world.

He said the hospital authorities had not been aware that the consent of Kelly's relatives had not been obtained. The operation, he said, was performed by Dr. Clark M. Johnson of the medical college staff.

MISS COLLETT AGAIN WINNER OVER CHAMPION

American Girl Defeats Mrs. Dobell, Former American and English Title Holder—Other U. S. Girls Win Their Matches.

HUNTSINGTON, England, May 15.—(AP)—Led by Miss Glenna Collett who won her third victory of the British women's golf championship, all the Americans in the title event today stroked their way into the fourth round which will be played tomorrow. Miss Collett won her third match while her three compatriots had to play only two to enter the fourth round.

Miss Collett continued to kill off champions and former champions by defeating Mrs. Temple Dobell, four up and two to play. Mrs. Dobell, the former Gladys Ravenscroft, has won both the British and American titles.

Mrs. Dorothy Campbell Hurd, former British and American champion, won from Miss Diana Remond, a French girl, six and five.

Miss Elizabeth Curtis, Clinton, Iowa, had the hardest fight of the American quartet, disposing of Miss Cooper, a Scotch player, one up.

Mrs. Stewart Hanley, defeated Miss Alice Fibreback, of England, two and one.

Baseball Scores

NEW YORK, May 15.—(AP) Babe Ruth hit his tenth homer of the season in the 5th inning of the Yankee-Detroit game today. The ball found its customary resting place in the right field bleachers. Ruth was the first batter to come to the plate in the inning.

Ruth hit his second homer of the game and his eleventh for the season in the sixth inning with Smith in the box for Detroit. No one was on base.

NEW YORK, May 15.—(AP)—Urban Shocker was injured during the Yankees batting practice today when he was struck on the left wrist by a line drive from Johnny Grabowski's bat. An examination of the wrist failed to reveal a fracture of the bone.

DETROIT, May 15.—(AP)—R. H. E. Detroit 8 12 0 New York 12 16 0 Batteries: Whitehill, Smith and Hargrave; Hoyt and Grabowski.

CLEVELAND, May 15.—(AP)—R. H. E. Cleveland 0 6 0 Philadelphia 5 13 0 Batteries: Shaute and L. Sewell; Quin and Fox.

ST. LOUIS, May 15.—(AP)—R. H. E. St. Louis 1 5 2 Boston 3 9 1 Batteries: Ogden and Schang; Ruffing and Hoffman.

CHICAGO, May 15.—(AP)—R. H. E. Chicago 3 6 1 Washington 2 9 1 Batteries: Adkins, Lyons and Crouse; Lisenbee, Braxton, Marberry and Tate.

PHILADELPHIA, May 15.—(AP)—R. H. E. Philadelphia 3 7 0 Cincinnati 5 12 1 Batteries: Sweetland, Willoughby and Schulte; Lucas, Koip and Hargrave, Suketorth.

Director's Fiancee



Engagement of Senorita Nina Castellano, above, of Madrid, Spain, to General Primo de Rivera, Spain's Mussolini, has been announced at the Spanish capital. Below is a late photo of the dictator.



Talent, under cross-examination testified that he ordered Wilkie to leave town after a conference with District Attorney Chaney, "because of the trouble he was getting into."

"The trouble," he said, was "representing himself as a federal agent, and because he was known to the bootleggers who had threatened Chaney's office."

Talent testified that he first met Wilkie in 1926, and was present when he was hired, at the rate of \$8 per day each, for both himself and Wilkie. Checks issued to pay for Wilkie's services were introduced as exhibits.

The report and itemized account filed by Wilkie, was introduced, but Talent could not be positive in its identification, though his "OK" and signature were upon it. Talent said, "I was under the impression that Wilkie worked up five cases, but the report shows but three."

Talent's memory was sketchy upon dates and figures. Wilkie testified for the state, took the stand shortly before 9 o'clock this afternoon and told of his operations in Jackson county. He related that he began work May 6, 1926, and continued operations until May 14, for which he turned in a bill for approximately \$233, which was paid to him in cash in the office of District Attorney Chaney, a check for that amount having been cashed by Terry Talent, then a state prohibition officer.

Wilkie testified that he was ordered to clean up Central point first, after which his work carried him to other parts of the county. His expense account was read to the jury by Prosecutor Johnson and included all items for which he expended money while here. He was paid \$6 per day and received expense money for mileage, food, lodging and for obtaining evidence. The latter items included the purchase of moonshine from various local sources. As a result of his work, three alleged bootleggers were sentenced to terms in the county jail.

W. M. Wilkie, one of the chief witnesses for the state, a cripple, testified to his operations as an undercover agent in Utah, Idaho, Washington and Oregon, and told of his employment as testified by McNab and Talent.

Wilkie, a cripple, said he was married and the father of three children. He identified checks for \$15 and \$5 for expenses, and one for \$13.20 for wages. He testified he received the check May 15, 1926; when his work ceased, and that he signed receipts for the money and receipts in blank. Four receipts were introduced as exhibits and identified his signatures thereon; the defendant official retaining them. The transaction occurred in Chaney's office, the witness said. The receipts were read to the jury by Special Prosecutor Johnson.

Wilkie testified that he did not work for him at any other period, other than from May 6 to May 15, 1926. The witness said he moved to the Herben apartment after May 15. He sought undercover work in Klamath Falls and Salem, and again went to Salem when he was "ordered out of town by Chaney and Talent," with the words, "Don't bite the hand that's feeding you." The witness said in June he received a telegram from Chaney, "Come and get your family."

At the closing feature of his testimony, Wilkie was handed a check, made payable to him for \$219, and signed by District Attorney Chaney. Wilkie declared that the signature was not his, and that he never received the amount. This is the check upon which the indictment was returned.

Attorney Roberts immediately began a vigorous cross-examination of Wilkie.

A packed courtroom greeted the afternoon session.

W. Lair Thompson Named. SALEM, Ore., May 15.—(AP)—W. Lair Thompson, attorney of Portland, has been appointed by Governor Patterson as a member of the state library board to succeed the late Edgar B. Piper.

JUROR ILL BUT TRIAL RESUMED

Sudden Attack of Flu Suffered by G. B. Icenhour of Ashland, Causes Delay in Chaney Trial—Substitute Chosen—State Opens Up Attack On Prosecutor.

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