

## Today

By Arthur Brisbane

One Moron, 13 Children.  
One Veto Sticks.  
Beware the Bear Pit.  
Advertising Sells Cars.

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Court reports supply texts for birth control.

Mrs. Edith Cromwell told the judge her husband insisted on having more children in spite of her delicate health.

This husband and wife live in a two room basement, with hardly enough to eat. Mrs. Cromwell has had thirteen children and buried six of them.

Mr. Cromwell said it was a man's duty to have as many children as he could, and admitted he was proud of himself and wanted to be prouder.

The judge told the proud father that he was a moron, with the brain of a child 10 years old, and would have sent him to jail had not Mrs. Cromwell forgiven him and take him home. There are many similar morons.

Our high spirited Congress was outraged when President Coolidge vetoed five bills, and four of the bills were repassed over his veto, an unusual outburst, so near to a national election.

You will notice that the bill that was NOT repassed over the Coolidge veto was the McNary-Haugen bill, supposed to relieve farmers.

Many of our legislators voted for that bill to make friends at home, and voted for it only because they were sure the President would veto it. Many of them also would have vetoed it, had they been President and equipped with the necessary amount of courage.

Any Republican candidate openly favoring the McNary-Haugen bill in the past or future will be looked upon as the President's political enemy, and that will make it hard for him to be the Republican 1928 nominee, and impossible to get the President's blessing, as such.

If in Wall Street you see a pointing arrow and a sign reading, "This way to the bear pit," turn around and run. You should have seen the poor bears struggling in the radio bear trap yesterday.

It takes so little to make the speculator happy. Brokers' loans dropped \$46,000,000 and up went stocks, although those loans are still \$760,000,000 above last March.

The only wise thing, as Will Rogers says, is NOT TO GAMBLE.

The fact, mentioned here, that the Buick Automobile company plans a great sales campaign for July, was mistakenly supposed by some readers to mean a change in Buick cars.

No such change is announced, but Buick does intend to repeat the powerful advertising campaign that, two years ago, made it hard for agents and customers to get cars. If you want a Buick, order it now.

The House of Representatives has passed the Boulder Dam bill, authorizing Government to save, and use for the people, water and power now going to waste, worth hundreds of millions a year. That is the biggest news for a long time. The question is, now, what will the Senate do?

The intelligent power gentlemen won't let the people utilize one of their rivers, without a struggle. Germans extract benzol, competitor of gasoline, by "liquefying

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# GARBLED RADIO FLASHED FROM ITALIA

## DIRIGIBLE LANDS AND ASKS HELP

### Time or Place of Landing Not Deciphered—Veteran Polar Explorers, Headed By Amundsen to Start Search—All Details of Experience Lacking—World Awaits News.

NEW YORK, May 26.—(AP)—Commander Richard E. Byrd who flew over the North Pole in an airplane, believes that there is no cause for "grave concern" about the Italia until she has been out 100 hours.

BERLIN, May 27.—(AP)—A report to the Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung from Oslo, Norway, said that the meteorological station there had received a message from the Italia at eleven o'clock Saturday night via the North Norwegian radio station. The message was badly garbled but seemed to disclose that the Italia had landed and that Nobile was asking for help. The place or the time of the landing could not be deciphered.

OSLO, Norway, May 27.—(AP)—At 2 a. m. today the Oslo Aftenposten reported receipt of a dispatch from Vadsoe saying that the Italia had called the Citta di Milano, using an improvised radio transmitter. The call was said to have come at 10:05 p. m. Saturday night, Spitzbergen time.

OSLO, Norway, May 26.—(AP)—Raold Amundsen, veteran explorer, who discovered the South Pole and companion of General Umberto Nobile on the 1925 flight of the Norge over the North Pole, will assist in arranging an expedition prepared by the Norwegian government to search for the dirigible Italia.

OSLO, Norway, May 26.—(AP)—Captain George H. Wilkins, who recently with Carl B. Eielson completed a flight from Alaska to Spitzbergen, tonight announced his willingness to go immediately to the aid of the Italian airship Italia. He said, however, that his plane was at Bergen and that it would take two days to get it to Spitzbergen and ready to start. Lieutenant Eielson also announced he was ready to join in a search for the Italia. Recalling his three years' experience as a flier over polar regions, Eielson said that if the Italia has been forced down hundreds of miles from home, he could hope for members of the crew only quick and merciful death.

It was in dramatic circumstances that Amundsen, companion of General Nobile in the first dirigible flight over the pole announced his determination to lead an expedition in relief of the Italian airman.

Captain Sverdrup, who will be associated with the noted Norwegian in the dangerous attempt is deeply learned in the lore of bleak polar regions.

Amundsen's announcement came at a luncheon given in honor of Captain Wilkins and Lieutenant Eielson. The affair began in a mood appropriate to rejoicing over the feat of the guest aviators. But early in the proceedings a telegram from Spitzbergen reported the ominous silence which enshrouded the Italia.

To the luncheon company this silence spoke in loud tones of the menace of gripping winds against the ice-laden dirigible. The meeting quickly became grave. There were scores present whose own daring experiences made it easy for them to comprehend the seriousness of General Nobile's situation. Before the company Amundsen promptly grasped the responsibility of searching for the Italia expedition. The significance of this was not lost upon the other guests who readily recalled the coolness which characterized Amundsen's relations with General Nobile after the flight of the Norge.

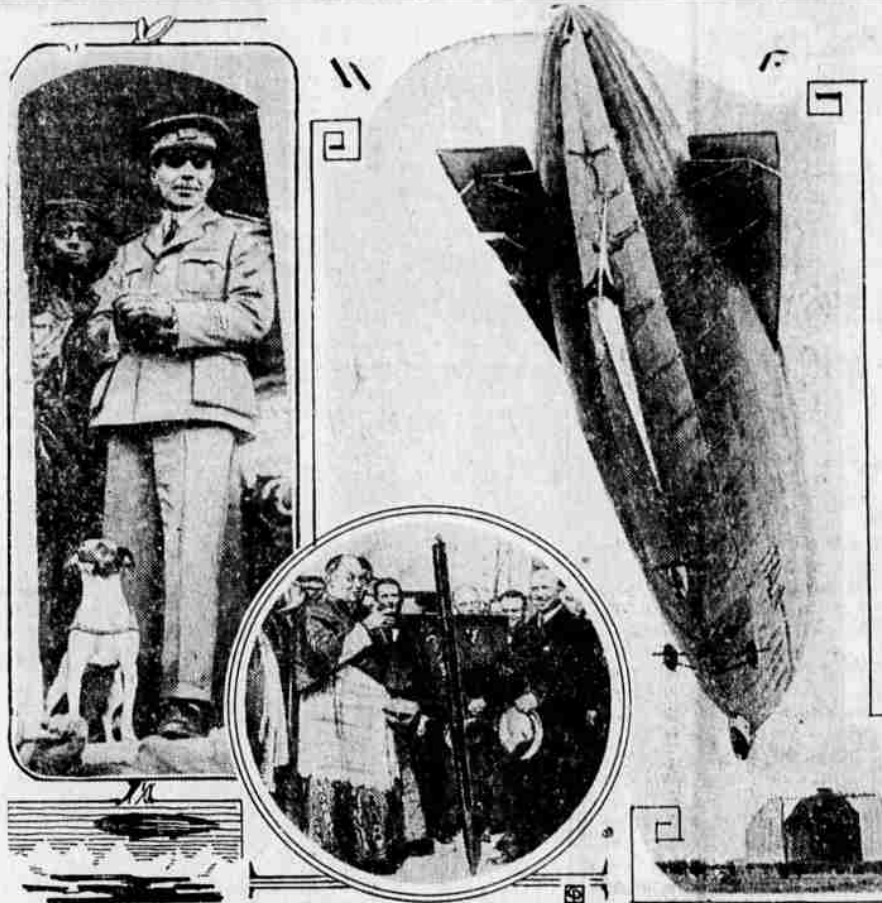
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(By the Associated Press)

Conquerors of the Arctic have rallied to the rescue of General Umberto Nobile and a crew of fifteen on the Italia which has disappeared in a polar fog. More

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## World Hears Faint Tidings of Stranded Blimp



Pictures of the "Italia," polar dirigible, and her commander wastes. An expedition headed by Amundsen who a year ago rode Nobile, and organized by the Norwegian government, will start at hardy adventures back to civilization.

## HOOVER LAUDS MODERN YOUTH FOR RELIANCE

### Not "Light-headed" As Charged, But Sure of Self—Speaks at National Oratorical Contest, and Takes Fling at Critics of Young.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—(AP)—Secretary Hoover paid tribute tonight to the youth of America.

Avoiding any reference to politics or to his presidential candidacy, the commerce secretary, in an address before the national oratorical contest, repudiated the often-heard charge that the young people of today are "irresponsible" or "light-headed." On the other hand, he said, they are surer of themselves than at any other time in the history of the world—with a sureness "that with it a determination to justify itself."

In the national contest itself and its growth within a few years from 8,000 to more than 2,000,000 participants, Mr. Hoover saw many circumstances upholding his contention. "I doubt very seriously," he said, "that it could have flourished at all some thirty or forty years ago when the program from Spitzbergen reported the ominous silence which enshrouded the Italia."

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## THUGS VANISH; CASHIER'S FATE DEEP MYSTERY

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LAMAR, Colo., May 26.—(AP)—It was reported here tonight that ten witnesses to the robbery of the Lamar First National bank Wednesday, had identified a photograph of Charles Chester Clinton, said to be an ex-convict from Oklahoma, as one of the four men that robbed the bank and killed the president and cashier.

Undaunted by the prospect of having lost their quarry, a least temporarily, hundreds of possemen, aided by airplanes surveying miles of hills and prairie of western Kansas, continued a relentless search for the desperadoes who raided the First National bank of Lamar Wednesday and who have left three dead in their dash for freedom.

While more than 1,000 men were in the field in quest of the robbers, a 26-hour search over an area of more than fifty square miles tonight had failed to reveal any trace of the missing gunman.

The fate of A. E. Kessinger, kidnaped assistant cashier of the Lamar bank who was carried away as a hostage after the bank robbery in which the men obtained \$20,000 still was as much of a mystery as the whereabouts of the bandits themselves.

## CAL' PAL RETIRES AS A DELEGATE

BOSTON, May 26.—(AP)—The Boston Herald will say tomorrow that William M. Butler has definitely decided to retire as the Massachusetts member of the republican national committee. Louis K. Liggett of Boston has been discussed, the newspaper will say, as Mr. Butler's probable successor.

## PRISON YAWNS FOR WOMAN IN CENSUS GRAFT

### Mrs. Knapp Found Guilty Upon Testimony of Step-daughter, To Be Sentenced As Soon As Health Will Permit—Friends Scream But Accused Calm.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 26.—(AP)—Mrs. Florence E. S. Knapp, former secretary of state for New York was found guilty of misappropriation of state census funds by a jury late today.

Two women spectators screamed when the foreman announced the verdict but Mrs. Knapp answered the formal questions of the clerk in a firm tone of voice.

It was the second time that the former state official had gone on trial for the alleged theft of the pay check, drawn to the order of Clara Blanche Knapp. The first trial terminated about three weeks ago when the jury disagreed and was discharged.

In both trials Clara Knapp, Mrs. Knapp's step-daughter declared she had done no work on the New York state census and did not know she was on the payroll. Clara's was one of several names alleged to have been carried illegally.

After the verdict was returned tonight Justice Callaghan called Dr. A. R. Davington to the stand to testify as to Mrs. Knapp's physical condition and Justice Callaghan postponed sentence until such time as her health should be restored.

At last time he said he intended to impose a prison sentence. He fixed the date for sentence as September 4.

The maximum sentence would be from five to ten years.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 26.—(AP)—Joseph G. Stewart, 43, former president of the Dixie Margarine company, was shot to death in bed today. Deputy sheriffs said his wife, Ruby, 41, told them that she shot him after he had threatened her life because she would not consent to divorce him.

DIGHTON, Kas., May 26.—(AP)—Roused by the slaying of a physician called to dress the wounds of one of four desperadoes who Wednesday killed two officials of a bank at Lamar, Colo., hundreds of possemen from four states today were patrolling the rough country north of here.

## DEADLOCK HINTED IN G.O.P. MEET

### Hoover Conceded Edge, But Not Nomination on First Ballot—Dark Horse Talk Heard—Predict Mellon Will Spring Coup To Force Coolidge to Front—Many Views.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—(AP)—As the last of the delegates to the republican national convention are being selected the dispute whether there will be a nomination on an early ballot or a deadlock goes on.

From the standpoint of prevention strength, Hoover has the best of it. Even his foes, while insisting that he will not be nominated, concede that. But neither his managers nor those of Lowden who has massed a formidable block of delegates are claiming that their men have the votes to win on the first ballot. From both camps however, come predictions of victory. Later in the face of their forecasts, more than one party leader is insisting that neither Hoover nor Lowden has smooth sailing ahead in the convention and that a deadlock is in the making.

It is in connection with such predictions that the names of Coolidge, Dawes, Curtis, Hughes and a number of others who would be in a real dark horse class, are advanced. Importance is attached to the fact that many of the delegates will be unattached. Delegates who are more or less footloose usually are in the mood, it is argued, to hop on a bandwagon if one passing by seems headed toward victory.

It is generally agreed that much depends on how secretary Mellon plays his hand at Kansas City. He will head the big unattached delegation from Pennsylvania and although he had declared that Hoover looks best of the candidates in the field, predictions are made in some quarters that he will do something to bring Coolidge forcefully before the convention as the best bet for the party's presidential nominee.

Among republican leaders there is a difference of opinion as to what would happen if a deadlock develops. The Hooverites, going on the theory that Coolidge has removed himself definitely from the combination early in the balloting, are striving to head off a deadlock by winding up their pre-convention campaign in the face of opposition from the field which seems to increase in bitterness as the time for a showdown nears.

The Kansas City convention will get under way two weeks from Tuesday. A fortnight later at Houston the democrats will begin their quadrennial deliberations, which party leaders are hoping will be peaceful.

Smith is far in the lead, and frankly his supporters are not concerned over assertions, coming from some quarters in the opposition camp, that he can be stopped at Houston.

## The Noted Dead

WASHINGTON, May 26.—(AP)—Representative Thomas S. Butler of Pennsylvania, chairman of the house naval committee, died at his home here today. He was 72 years old.

The veteran house member succumbed to a heart attack suffered more than a month ago.

All members of his family except one son, Brigadier General Smedley Butler, now in command of American marine corps forces in China, were at his bedside.

Mrs. Butler and her two other sons had been caring for him during his illness.

## Accused Turns Judge



Bishop Francis J. McConnell, of Pittsburgh, Pa., accused of endorsing and recommending the teaching of evolution in charges filed before the Methodist Episcopal church general conference in session in Kansas City, Mo., has been chosen to preside over the church trial of Bishop Anton Bast, of Copenhagen, Denmark, accused of conduct unbecoming a minister.

## CORN DERBY ENDS: FRET ABOUT CASH

### Oklahoma Farm Boy First In Cross-Country Jaunt—Many Plodders Feel Their Only Reward Will Be Exercise and Experience—Pyle Sure There Will Be Pay Day.

(By Edward J. Nell, Associated Press Sports Writer)

NEW YORK, May 26.—(AP)—Through a forest of empty seats—strange contrast to the trails of the Rocky Mountains, the parching winds of deserts and the concrete of city pavements—fifty-five survivors of Charlie Pyle's transcontinental foot race plodded to the end of their weary trail of 3,123 miles in Madison Square Garden tonight.

Andrew Payne, the sun-blackened 21-year old son of an Oklahoma farmer nursed the wide lead he had held for several days in the final twenty-mile grind over the cement floor of the garden and won the first prize of \$25,000 Pyle offered the winner when the fantastic jaunt started 84 days ago in Los Angeles.

John Salo, who finished first in the run from Sulphur, N. Y., to his home town of Passaic, N. J., yesterday and led in today's lap was second. He finished fifteen hours, 35 minutes and 29 seconds behind Payne to win \$10,000.

The next eight prize winners were:

- Phillip Granville, Hamilton, Ont., third, \$5,000.
- Mike Joyce, Cleveland, Ohio, fourth \$2,500.
- Giulio Umek, Trieste, Italy, fifth \$1,000.
- William Kerr, Minneapolis, sixth \$1,000.
- Louis Perella, Albany, seventh, \$1,000.
- Ed Gardner, Seattle, eighth, \$1,000.
- Frank VonFlue, Kerman, Cal., ninth \$1,000.
- John Cronick, Saskatoon, Sask., tenth \$1,000.

While their prize money amounted to that, many of the sun-baked plodders believed that the most they could expect as reward for the jaunt that covered 3,123 miles would be the exercise entailed and their names in the papers. They believed that Pyle no longer controls the financial destinies of the race and lost \$60,000 in the venture.

Several "bolshheviks" as Pyle terms them, have raised the cry among the runners, that "there ain't gonna be no dough," for the prizes. Pyle replied tonight with a reiteration that the \$48,500 due the runners would be paid them in the garden a week from tonight when the first of a series of races, a 24-hour team marathon, will start.

Salem.—Beta Chi sorority, Willamette university, will build \$15,000 home.

## COLUMBIA AT FLOOD, MENACES

### Upstate Mill Closed By High Water—Fear Traffic On Highway Will Be Halted—Dike Bursts at Cusick, Wash.—Further Rise Predicted.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 26.—(AP) High water in the Willamette river caused by back water from the Columbia, has resulted in temporary shutdown of the mill of the Multnomah Lumber and Box company here.

At Itanier it was said livestock was being moved from the bottom lands along the Columbia river because of the continued rise in the river at that point. The Columbia at Longview registered 14.4 feet above mean low water.

High water in the Columbia today necessitated the temporary closing of the St. Helens Crocoting company. At Pasco, Wash., reports said the Columbia was rising rapidly and had already passed the 1927 high water mark of 34.52 feet.

At noon today a stage of 34.50 feet had been reached.

Reaching a stage of 35 feet and 3 inches, the Columbia at Hood River was lapping at the tops of dikes around a truck farm. Another few inches would take the water over the roads connecting Hood River with the Interstate bridge. The river gained six inches today, and a further rise is expected during the next 24 hours.

In case high water interferes with traffic on the Columbia highway between The Dalles and Pendleton, provision will be made for detouring automobiles over roads of higher elevation, the state highway commission announced tonight.

At Cusick, Wash., the collapse of a dike flood gate last night submerged 3,000 acres of rich seeded farm land beneath the waters of Pend O'Reille river. Water was rushing through the gap at the rate of 100,000 an hour and it was declared that the entire 10,000 acres of land in the dike district would be flooded to a depth of one to ten feet by tomorrow morning.

Damage in such case, would amount to from \$75,000 to \$100,000, it was said.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 26.—(AP) Rolling down from the silver topped Cascades, source of Oregon's great water supply, the annual flood, extending back into Indian legend is on again.

Feeding into the mighty Columbia, the streams that penetrate the snow fields are contributing to the rise.

Reports from the waterheds of the Snake, another river of Indian legend that strikes at settlements along its banks, indicate that water from that source will contribute heavily to the rise of the Columbia which is expected to continue for another week. State roads running parallel with the Snake in Idaho were threatened with the river at 12.5 feet above mean low water. The Green road on the Clearwater was flooded, that river running at the highest mark in two years.

The Willamette river also was coming up steadily. Many basements have been flooded in the lower sections of the west side of Portland and merchants have been required to move their goods to higher ground.

This is the last year, however, that residents of this section will be troubled with sewers backing up as the pumping plant will be completed at the foot of Ankeny street to force sewage into the river by next year.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—(AP)—Senators Klug, democrat of Utah, and McNary, republican of Oregon, have agreed to conduct the investigation ordered by the senate in the expenditures of candidates in the recent New Jersey senatorial primary.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 26.—(AP)—Miss Mary Hickman, sister of William Edward Hickman, under sentence of death for the murder of Marian Parker in Los Angeles, was held today for investigation by police who said she had admitted obtaining clothing from department stores under false pretenses.