

Today

By Arthur Brisbane
A Useful Root.
Magic \$250.
Farr Off China.
Upon Prosperity.

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George Bernard Shaw, becoming less important and less accurate after seventy, declares that accumulated money is the root of all evil.

Without accumulated money Niagara Falls wouldn't be harnessed, the Panama Canal, which helps Britain as much as does us, wouldn't be dug; automobile production wouldn't be on a quantity basis and this country would have, perhaps 240,000 expensive automobiles, instead of 240,000,000 inexpensive automobiles.

Great accumulations of capital, like great accumulation of water going down hill, represents power.

Eliminate accumulated capital, and you would eliminate possibilities of higher civilization.

If the people haven't brains enough to watch and control accumulated capital they would not have enough to control small capital.

There is magic in the five words, "Two hundred and fifty dollars." A college professor, hired to deliver lecture, telling the power companies, testifies that he got two hundred and fifty dollars for each lecture.

And a lawyer of the earnest Ku Klux Klan hears that a distinguished United States Senator got \$250 for each lecture attacking individuals distasteful to the Klan.

How little the average man knows or cares about far off China.

Tuan Chi-Lai is nearing Peking. Did you ever hear of him?

Marshal Chang Tso-Lin gives up hope before the advancing Japanese and other complications, and prepares to abandon Peking, once China's mighty capital.

Is Chang Tso-Lin a definite person in your mind?

In May various corporations declared dividends amounting to \$347,900,405. And June's dividends will total \$500,000,000. The country is prosperous. The task of intelligent men is to divide the prosperity more evenly.

Mr. Durant, who once owned control of General Motors, but doesn't now, returns from Europe, saying: "The biggest bull market ever seen will develop in two or three months. The big boom is yet to come."

Mr. Durant thinks brokers' loans will amount to ten billions and expects to see "ten-million-share days."

That may all be true, and none of it may be true. The wise man keeps out of gambling.

More important, the GENUINE news is the fact that Henry Ford's army of employes last week numbered 115,431, highest total in his record. The total employment by all Detroit automobile makers was 259,073. That is REAL prosperity.

A distinguished Chicago citizen, sometimes called "Scarface Al" Capone, well acquainted with the beer running business, has been retained by a

GAY PARTY KILLER IN CELL, TALKS

Masterson, Known Here Surrenders, Suffering From Wound In Hand From Bullet That Killed Woman—Claims Tragedy An Accident—To Face Hanging Charge.

SEATTLE, June 2.—(AP)—George P. Masterson, wanted by Portland police to face first degree murder charges in connection with the death of Mrs. Marjorie Stoy last Tuesday morning in his hotel room at Portland, today told Seattle detectives, to whom he gave himself up, his story of the shooting—and of his terror-haunted flight from the room of death.

As he talked he nursed his right hand through which the same bullet that caused his companion's death had drilled a wound. His hand had gone without medical attention and he had kept it from becoming infected by passing a tube of class coated with iodine through the hole at intervals during the three days he had been in hiding in Seattle.

"It wasn't my hand that bothered me," he said, "it was my mind."

Masterson insisted that he had shot Mrs. Stoy by accident. He said he became panic stricken when he saw she was dead and was virtually out of his mind when he ran away.

"I sort of went crazy then," he declared. "I couldn't think of anything but to get away. I went to another hotel and changed my clothes and at 6 a. m. I caught the first car to Vancouver, Wash. I threw my pocketbook and papers into the Willamette river thinking it would make police think I had committed suicide. I just laid low—and thought, 'It was awful.'"

This wound was dressed at the city hospital as soon as he had finished his story and he was put in a cell at the city jail, where he will be held until Portland officers arrive. He said he would accompany them without the formality of extradition.

His story of the shooting itself was that Mrs. Stoy was a guest at a drinking party in his room during the evening and staged after the other had gone. She noticed his pistol, he said, and asked if she could see it. He started to extract a cartridge, he said, before handing it to her and the pistol was discharged.

"The bullet went through my right hand and then struck Mrs. Stoy," he went on. "She collapsed without a word. I tried to stop the blood but I saw there was nothing I could do and I turned to the telephone to call a doctor.

"Just as I reached the receiver I heard a gasp and I went back to her side and found she was dead."

Masterson said that he had met Mrs. Stoy the evening of the shooting and did not even know her last name until he learned it at police headquarters here. Mrs. Stoy, who was 32, was the wife of Archie Stoy, a former Aberdeen prize fighter.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 2.—(AP)—Exclamations of undisguised relief were heard in police circles here today upon word from Seattle that George P. Masterson, 42, had surrendered himself to police there and had ended voluntarily his search that had begun for him last Tuesday. He is under indictment here in connection with the fatal shooting of Mrs. Marjorie Stoy in his hotel room here following a drinking party. The woman's body was discovered Tuesday morning. She had died a few hours after midnight.

Inspector L. E. Cahill left for Seattle tonight to return the prisoner to Portland. He expected to leave the Puget Sound city tomorrow morning.

The automatic pistol that is believed to have sent the bullet through Mrs. Stoy's body was found tucked in a hedge in front of a mortuary in Vancouver, Wash., today by police of Portland, acting on a tip from Seattle. The weapon is of .745 caliber and of German manufacture. The pistol was in a small leather pocket holster. Both the magazine and holster covering were encrusted with what appeared to be blood, police said. There were five cartridges in the magazine, which holds seven.

Clear fingerprints were obtained from the weapon.

RUM PROSECUTOR'S HOUSE BOMBED



View of a section of the wrecked house of Lewis W. Powell, district attorney for Kenosha county, Wisconsin, after a bombing which police believe is a warning from bootleggers. Powell, inset, had been active in the padlocking of saloons and roadhouses throughout the country during the past few months. Although the blast wrecked the side of the house and shattered windows for blocks around, the district attorney and his family escaped uninjured.

ROAD AND PARK CHANG'S ADIEU ATOP ROXY ANN PLANS STUDIED TO CHINA RULE HOPE FOR BEST

Committee Go To Summit Friday and Amazed By Panorama—See Rim of Crater Lake—To Figure Out Way to Finance.

The members of the citizens' committee appointed some time ago to look into the feasibility of a scenic road to the top of Roxy Ann from the Hillcrest orchard and for the establishment of a park on the top of the mountain, while in a general way knowing, like other citizens, of the desirability of such a projected drive and park, since their visit to the scene last Friday afternoon are very enthusiastic about the project and will work from now on with renewed vigor to devise financial ways and means to ultimately bring it about.

None of the members of the committee except Paul Rynning, county engineer, who has made a survey of the proposed scenic drive up the mountain, had ever seen it or the top of the mountain where it is proposed to establish a scenic park until Friday afternoon, when they inspected the surveyed drive and park site. The other members of the committee are C. E. Bates, long member of the state highway commission; Hugh H. Rankin, supervisor of the Crater National forest; Bert Anderson, public spirited citizen in general, and C. G. Thomson, superintendent of Crater National park.

The committee members were amazed at the sheer beauty of the panoramic view from the park site on the top of Roxy Ann, and at the excellence of the surveyed drive up the side of the mountain from the Hillcrest orchard, a distance of four miles. Engineer Rynning has surveyed what they deem is a very fine and desirable grade, with a maximum of 6 1/2 per cent.

From the top of Roxy Ann they were able to see every town and city in the valley, including Gold Hill, and excepting Eagle Point. They were able to see, without glasses, outstanding as it may seem Mount Shasta in California, Mount McLaughlin and Pilot Rock, Mount Bailey and Union peak in the Crater lake region, and even to see the base of Crater lake, but not the lake itself.

The committee is unanimous in viewing the top of Roxy Ann as exceptionally well adapted for scenic park purposes, with its fine panoramic outlook, fine trees, open parkways and water supplies.

The committee, while enthusiastic over the proposed drive and park, makes it plain that as yet the drive has only been surveyed and that no construction work has been begun, nor has any been planned yet. However, the committee is quietly at work trying to figure ways and means to raise finances for the establishment of the drive and park.

Many Vessels Wrecked. VALPARAISO, Chile, June 2.—(AP)—Several vessels, among them the British motorship Estoril, ran aground in a violent storm which lashed the coast in this region yesterday. A number of lighters were overturned in the harbor and a quantity of merchandise lost.

NEW YORK—A masterpiece which Mrs. Florence Brooks-Aten thinks makes her look too fat is for sale in a dealer's gallery. The artist was paid a retainer of \$10,000 plus \$500 for a special frame and won \$4000 more in litigation.

RUMPUSES LOOM FOR BOTH SIDES

Lowden and Favorite Sons Strive to Defeat Hoover—Farm Bloc Fans Bitterness Over M'Nary Veto—Clashes Predicted at Kansas City—Bourbons Also Torn.

WASHINGTON, June 2.—(AP)—The Republicans are moving on Kansas City with many of their leaders already convinced that the coming national convention will be far from a love feast.

Bitter animosities have been aroused, and unless all signs fall they will provoke more than one rumpus just before and during the balloting for a presidential nominee. The hope that the mounting campaign managers, some of them already on the battle ground, are making conflicting claims of strength on behalf of their candidates, and the whole situation has been beclouded further by factional strife over the farm relief question.

Hoover's lieutenant, with the show-down near, are refraining from predictions that the commerce secretary will go over on the first ballot. They are striving and hoping for that but for the moment seem content to pass the word that their man has around 700 first and second choice votes all lined up.

A majority, 545, would be needed to nominate. Arranged at Washington during the convention is a field of presidential aspirants and party leaders who are determined to head off his nomination. In this group is Lowden of Illinois, who in 1920 made a losing fight for the presidential nomination and four years ago landed down a chance to be Coolidge's running mate.

This year Lowden stands second against Hoover in the number of delegates buttoned during the convention season. Among his supporters are many influential Republicans from the corn and wheat belt who are considerably wrought up over President Coolidge's veto of the McNary-Haugen bill. They look on Lowden as their champion, and a movement is on foot for a lock of farmers to Kansas City to impress on the convention delegates the contention that only a man to their liking can carry the farming states of the west in the coming election.

Those who are fostering the farmers' protest almost to a man are for Lowden. They regard Hoover with particular disfavor, insisting that he has worked against the interests of the farmer in the past and has given support to Coolidge in his rejection of the McNary-Haugen bill.

This impending clash between the Hoover and the Lowden anti-Hoover forces, both over a farm relief platform declaration, is one of the things that is causing concern among party chiefs who want harmony if possible.

The Republicans are not the only ones who have troubles on their hands. Still a bit scarred up by the drawn-out convention battle at Madison Square Garden four years ago, the Democrats will assemble in Houston June 26. Whether their convention will be a get-together or lead to a parting of the ways is one of the many political developments the future holds in store.

Smith got off to an early start in the annexing of delegates, many of them tied to him under definite instructions from the folks at home.

OREGON CATHOLICS CONVENE JUNE 17

SALEM, Ore., June 2.—(AP)—Ten thousand visitors from all parts of the state are expected in Salem for General Catholic day, the annual celebration of the Oregon League of Catholic Societies, Sunday, June 17. On Saturday, June 16, the annual business meeting of the State Catholic Central society will be held. The meeting will take place at the white fair grounds. Pontifical high mass will be celebrated in the automobile pavilion.

NEW YORK—Ovaline Farrar is shy a diamond and pearl brooch worth \$2000. It vanished during a taxi ride from a theater.

CLEAR 4 BASS OF CLAIM THEY EAT GAME FISH

Judges Find No Evidence To Indicate Much Malign-ed Species Are Cannibals of The Waters—One Exhibit Had Feasted On a Flounder.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 2.—(AP)—Four striped bass weighing from five to eight pounds each from the waters of Coos Bay appeared as mute witnesses for their kind at a hearing held here today in the office of Harold Clifford, state game warden.

The bass were brought up from Coos county to answer charges that they prey on commercial and angling fish, and their several stomachs were offered in evidence that they were honest and respectable citizens of the tidewater streams.

The judges, a special committee named by Warden Clifford to investigate the gastronomic habits of the much-maligned striped bass, viewed the exhibits as introduced by the defense and found that three of the bass, males, had nothing in their stomachs, which indicated that they had not yet started to feed and probably had recently entered Coos bay. The fourth member of the visiting delegation, female, had devoured a fish, but it was found to be a flounder.

PORTLAND MISS TRIES SUICIDE, WON'T TELL WHY

Girl 18, Refuses to Give Reason for Rash Act—Readily Admits Firing Shot Into Bosom—Taken To Hospital With Death Near.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 2.—(AP)—Evid Adams, 16-year-old high school girl, was in a hospital here tonight—in a dying condition, attendants said—with a revolver bullet through her right breast. Police said the girl's own finger pressed the trigger.

The shooting occurred in the girl's home here shortly after 4 p. m. She was found more than two hours later by her mother, who discovered the revolver on a front roomavenport. In a bedroom, 15 feet away, was the wounded girl.

When questioned, Miss Adams readily admitted firing the revolver, police said tonight, but she refused to say whether the weapon had been discharged accidentally.

"I was alone in the house at the time," she was quoted as saying. "No one else was there. I did it myself, but don't ask me the reason. I wouldn't even tell mother."

EASTERN OREGON BREEZE SEVERAL ANCIENT BONES

BEND, Ore., June 2.—(AP)—Unearthed by winds which swept over a section of central Oregon, once covered by vast lakes, traces of a civilization that preceded the coming of white men to America have been discovered in the Fort Rock country of northern Lake county.

SECRETS OF FLIGHT TO ANTIPODES UNDERWAY

Hearst Papers and Senators Norris and La Follette Backed Move to Nationalize Power Industry—Plan Scored In Letters—Held Session to Thwart Efforts.

WASHINGTON, June 2.—(AP)—Information that "a concerted effort on the part of the utility industry to combat and stem" propositions for government ownership of the industry was declared upon at an "emergency meeting" of prominent utilities men at Chicago in 1925, came from two letters introduced today in the federal trade commission's investigation of power utilities.

The letters were among the last of the large batch which had come from the files of George E. Lewis, manager of the Rocky Mountain committee on public utilities information and were both written by him.

Writing to Fred Norcross of the Home Gas and Electric company, Greeley, Colo., under date of February 2, 1925, Lewis said he had "just returned from a two-day special conference held in Chicago on the call of M. S. Sloan, chairman, National Public Relations Section, N. E. L. A.; Martin Insull, commonwealth Edison company, Chicago; M. H. Aylesworth, managing director, N. E. L. A.; P. T. Griffith, president, N. E. L. A., and other leaders in utility industry."

"The utmost secrecy was maintained," he added, "as to the purpose of the meeting."

Lewis said "those mentioned above and others," had revealed at the conference, "that a group of radical representatives in Washington have banded together, backed up by the Hearst interests for the purpose of making capital out of the utility industry." He told Norcross that "every phase of this menace was discussed," after which resolutions were adopted preliminary to a drive against "this dangerous tide of radicalism."

Another letter dated exactly a month later, informed K. W. Klesick, manager of the Deming Electric and Electric company, Deming, N. M., of the Chicago meeting and said it had been disclosed that there was then "on foot a more systematic effort to bring about government and state ownership of public utilities than ever before."

He added: "The group which for years has devoted its time, attention, money and influence to effort to nationalize the railroads, has now turned toward the public utilities, especially the light and power interests."

"Senators Norris and LaFollette," Lewis went on, "and about twenty others of that group have started a concerted drive on public utilities at the national capital, in at least sixteen states and in a score of towns and cities. At least seven other states besides California and Washington are confronted with state ownership proposals. The utility organizations of California, as you know, have been compelled to spend millions to protect their properties against the onslaughts of those who would turn to state ownership, which in that state involved primarily an initial expenditure of \$500,000,000. The utility organizations of Washington for three consecutive years have combated the efforts of the radicals to inaugurate state ownership. Both of these states succeeded in defeating these measures at the November elections. But had they not been organized, both measures would have carried."

Senator Norris of Nebraska, and the late Senator LaFollette, of Wisconsin were called "the national press agents" of the group seeking government ownership in the Lewis letter to Klesick. Lewis predicted that "propaganda" by Norris and LaFollette would lead to much progress for the government ownership principle within the next "year or two" unless protective measures are perfected here and there and everywhere."

NEW YORK, June 2.—(AP)—The 42nd renewal of the classic Suburban handicap, \$10,000 added at Belmont Park, today was won by Dolan, an outsider. Chance Shot was second and Scape Flow third.

PEKING, June 2.—(AP)—Marshal Chang Tso-Lin is leaving Peking at midnight. It is understood he has arranged for the Shanai leaders to take over the northern capital peacefully.

FLIGHT TO ANTIPODES UNDERWAY

Southern Cross Takes Off at Dawn on Last Leg of Pacific Flight—Courage Spurred By Criticism at Delay—Suva Is Prospective Goal.

HONOLULU, June 2.—(AP)—Just before leaving for Kauai with the monoplane Southern Cross, Charles Ulm, co-pilot, announced plans to hop off for Suva at daybreak Sunday.

HONOLULU, June 2.—(AP)—The monoplane Southern Cross hopped off from Wheeler field for the island of Kauai at 4:30 p. m. today. Kauai is to be the plane's starting point for its flight toward Sydney, Australia, by way of Suva.

BARKING SANDS, Island of Kauai, Hawaii, June 2.—(AP)—Work was being rushed here tonight to prepare the monoplane Southern Cross for a hop-off toward Suva, Fiji Islands at daybreak Sunday. Suva is expected to be the next and second stopping point in the plane's flight for Sydney, Australia.

The army signal corps office announced receipt of the word that the Southern Cross was to take off at 4 a. m. Sunday (6:30 a. m. Pacific coast time).

The departure from Wheeler field, Island of Oahu, for the Barking Sands runway followed a busy 36 hour period during which the four aviators, Captain Charles Kingsford-Smith, Charles Ulm, Harry W. Lyon and James Warner, inspected their plane, measured the gasoline remaining after their flight from Oakland, California, studied maps and charts and other data bearing on their flight southwestward.

BARKING SANDS, Kauai, Hawaii, June 2.—(AP)—The monoplane Southern Cross landed here shortly before 6 p. m. today from Wheeler field, Honolulu, to prepare its flight to Sydney, Australia, by way of Suva, Fiji Islands.

HONOLULU, June 2.—(AP)—Eager to resume their air journey to Sydney, Australia, the four men of the giant monoplane Southern Cross decided today to postpone their departure from Hawaii. Their triumphant arrival yesterday from Oakland, Cal., after a flight of 2400 miles heightened courage already high for the great adventure over a total of 7800 miles to the Antipodes. If the plane and the field at Barking Sands, Island of Kauai, are ready the fliers may take off for the south seas tomorrow or Monday at the latest.

Charles Ulm, who with Captain Charles Kingsford-Smith, piloted the giant plane, explained that his determination to maintain the original schedule was an outgrowth of "criticism in Australia for our long delay in getting started."

"Some of our critics have even been so unkind as to dub us 'non-hop fliers,'" continued Ulm. "But we have paid no attention to that sort of stuff and have batted right along."

"We have gone into this thing exhaustively as is humanly possible and we are planning 100 per cent performance all the way to our destination."

Ulm explained that since the fliers began planning the flight to Australia they had investigated all trans-oceanic air trips, both successful and unsuccessful.

"There was some lesson for us to be learned from every flight and we purposed to learn it before we took off on our own account," he added.

A conference was held by Ulm and Kingsford-Smith last night with Edwin H. Bryan of the Bishop Museum here concerning the islands lying south of Hawaii on the course to Suva, Fiji. Until one o'clock this morning, the fliers questioned Bryan and examined all available photographs having a bearing on this stage of their journey, particularly those of the islets of Canton and Enderbury. These coral atolls dot the Pacific 1,500 miles south of Honolulu and 1,216 miles north of Suva. They are directly along the course of the Southern Cross and offer a haven in event of forced landing. While no trouble is expected by the aviators, they believe in being prepared—a indication of this is the care with which they are making every arrangement. Should they be forced down before reaching Suva, they will be able to erect with their radio equipment a land sending station.