

Today

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Water, Whisky, Beer, Wine. Romantic Kotromanicz. Good Money, Silly Words. From Franklin's Kite.

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Carrying water on both shoulders is hard. Carrying water on one shoulder, light wine and beer on the other is harder. Democrats at Houston find themselves with a wild prohibition debate on their hands before the convention starts.

It will take good management to harmonize the solid dry South and big wet northern cities.

The Republicans simply went dry, trusting the nation's common sense to realize that to talk dry does not mean to be dry.

Prince Alexander Dabichon of Roumania plans to swoop down on Belgrade and make himself king. He will swoop, literally, if his plans work out, going by airplane, well escorted, taking advantage of the riots, following an attempt to murder Radich.

The prince has recently been a chauffeur in Berlin. But many princes have had to disgrace themselves with honest work since the big war. And any sort of man can become a ruler if he has it in him. The present Shah of Persia was recently employed in British stables. And the ruler of Manchuria, recently blown into the ether world by a bomb under his railway carriage, was a modest Chinese brigand.

American money is restoring the magnificent Louvain Library, and American foolishness insists on disfiguring the good work with this inscription: "Destroyed by German fury; restored by American generosity."

Monsignor P. Ladeuze, rector of Louvain University, objects to the inscription, because it keeps alive war hatreds. But the American architect, who invented the boastful, silly inscription, insists that it must remain.

It would seem that Louvain might decide the question. Anyhow he foolish lettering can be easily chiseled off later. If Germany will go on paying \$600,000,000 a year gold to the allies, in atonement for the Kaiser's foolishness, that ought to satisfy.

Long ago Franklin sent a kite toward the clouds and proved that electricity and lightning are the same thing.

What that thing is, men do not know yet. But they do know how to control and use it.

Yesterday, at the national capital, within sight of Washington's monument and the Lincoln memorial, electricity was used to kill three young men in Washington's brand new electric chair.

Franklin would be surprised to know what his kite experiment has produced. A great nation's capital abolishing the gallows and substituting an electric killing machine does itself no honor.

In Germany, every day on the average, 230 apply for patents, and the practical German mind rarely seeks to protect foolish ideas. Germany's revival will come largely from her patent office, from thinking, highly educated Germans, leading the world in chemistry and

MARY PAYS AL A VISIT IN GOTHAM

Miss Greiner of Mail Tribune Interviews Gov. Smith at Biltmore — Finds Executive Knew About Rogue River and Bosc Pears — Talks Freely of Everything But Politics.

(By Mary Greiner) NEW YORK CITY, June 19.—Interviewing Governor Alfred E. Smith is an easy matter—once you get to him. Try and do it. After staying over in New York an extra week just for this privilege and pulling every available wire, some of which appeared to be crossed, and the rest short circuited, I talked over to the Biltmore in desperation this morning and attempted the job western style. It worked.

At Smith, in spite of his declaration in the recent investigation of campaign expenditures that he knew no one in Oregon, is generally interested in the state. In fact he wanted to know several definite facts about it, including exact geographical points, climatic and industrial conditions. Medford folks will be interested to know that a unlike most New Yorkers, he has a knowledge of Bosc pears and has heard of Rogue River valley.

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COOLIDGE BEGINS HIS VACATION



President and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge have arrived at Cedar Island Lodge on the Brule river, near Brule, Wis., for the president's last summer vacation while in office. The president is shown here on the rear of his private car that carried him from Washington, D. C., to the summer White House.

LOOT OF OCEAN EYE HAUNTS OF ROBBERY HEAVY SLAIN MAN TO AND NO CLUES SOLVE TANGLE

Registered Packages Aboard Leviathan Rifled of Half Million—Theft Discovered After Voyage — Seals Left Intact By Cunning Thugs.

SOUTHAMPTON, ENGLAND, June 23.—(AP)—A loss from the mails of considerable paper and money amounting perhaps to \$500,000 was revealed today when the registered parcels carried by the Leviathan from the United States were opened. The Leviathan arrived at this port yesterday.

Scotland yard, the detective branch of the general postoffice, and insurance investigations have been working on the case for 24 hours but late today had no information to give out respecting their findings.

It was indicated, however, that there is a strong belief in British detective circles that the robbery took place in the United States before the mail bags were loaded on the Leviathan. This is based on the fact that the seals on the registered packages were intact and that the bags in which these packages were contained were also under seal when the steamer was unloaded here.

So cunningly was the robbery carried out that its existence was not even suspected until the mail reached its destination. Opening of the packages in which the registered letters were sealed disclosed the fact that the letters had been slit open. The seals on the bags and on the packages bore the imprint of the United States postoffice.

Only contents that were readily negotiable were touched. The robbers took checks, bank drafts, bills of exchange and bank notes. Everything else was left severely alone.

The Leviathan sailed from New York on June 16.

S.O.S. SPURS SEARCH FOR AMUNDSEN

Nobile Rescue a Matter of Patience; Swedish Planes Whirr over Arctic Wastes, After Radio Calls Received—Italian Party Drift Towards Land — Food Supply Large.

(Copyright 1928 by The Associated Press) (By O. Arnesen, Correspondent for The Associated Press) KINGS BAY, Spitzbergen, June 22.—(AP)—Waters and wastes of the Arctic archipelago were combed today in a search for Roald Amundsen and the five men with him in the French airplane, but without success. The party which started in search of the missing members of the Nobile expedition, seemed to have disappeared more completely than those they sought to rescue.

A noble effort was made today by Major Penzo in the big hydro-airplane which he flew here from Italy. He flew nearly 500 miles, going as far as Bear Island, almost half-way to the coast of Norway. He saw nothing of the missing plane.

Major Penzo flew most of the day at an altitude of 7,000 feet. The weather was fine and clear and at that height he had opportunity to sweep wide stretches of ice and water. He covered practically all of the open sea on which the Amundsen plane may have come down.

The result of this flight, coupled with failure of other planes to find traces of Amundsen, has about convinced experts here that faint radio signals heard last night by at least two vessels did not come from the missing plane.

They pointed out that the explanations had gone far beyond the boundaries of the space in which the machine's radio must have operated.

(Copyright 1928, by The Associated Press) KINGS BAY, Spitzbergen, June 22.—(AP)—Faint wireless signals which may have come from the missing airplane of Roald Amundsen and five men, today spurred further efforts to locate the veteran Norwegian explorer.

The signals were heard by the sailing steamer Maritza, which came into port today. She said she picked up a faint SOS at eleven o'clock last night. The plane was equipped with wireless, but the apparatus could be heard only sixty miles if the machine were at rest on the water. The Maritza saw nothing of the missing men.

Another beam of hope arose from a report that the ice-breaker Matign also had heard indistinct signals. That vessel, however, was not at all sure that these came from the Amundsen plane.

Definite plans toward searching the coast of the Archipelago were put into operation today by aviators who turned their attention toward Amundsen and away from General Umberto Nobile. The latter now is in a situation that only requires patient waiting.

The Swedish plane "Ulfen" a big tri-motored tank under the pilotage of Captain Tornborg, explored the west coast of Spitzbergen, but found no trace of the Amundsen party. Major Penzo, flying an Italian Dornier-Wal hydro-airplane, took off from King's Bay to search in the vicinity of South Cape and up along the west shore of the island.

STATE TROOPS THRILL THROUGH IN A REVIEW

Pomp of War Without Bloodshed Revealed At Clatsop—Gov. Patterson and Gen. Hines Present — 3000 Men on Parade.

CAMP CLATSOP, Ore., June 22.—(AP)—Pompous pageantry of war, coupled with the most realistic demonstration of a battalion in attack ever seen in this section of the country, thrilled between 1,500 and 2,000 spectators representing all sections of the state at this military encampment today.

It was warfare minus those bloody phases which detract from the romance of being a soldier. And yet it gave to those who saw it a vivid idea of just how destructive warfare is.

It was a kind of gliding harmony of brilliant cannon, of bursting shrapnel, a field which in color, in action and in military operations, showed just how the game of warfare is worked out on battle fields.

With regimental flags flapping the breeze and bands playing, the entire 32nd infantry brigade and attached units, Oregon National Guard under the command of Brigadier-General George A. White passed in review before Governor Patterson and Major General John L. Hines, commander of the Ninth corps area. Approximately 2,000 officers and enlisted men took part in this phase of the day's activities which was held at two o'clock.

This was followed by a demonstration of attack by a battalion of infantry, supported by field artillery, howitzers and machine guns.

The drills were a pluck stronger than that adopted by the republicans at Kansas City last week and there have been suggestions that some of them may demand a full endorsement of the 16th amendment and the Volstead act, with a declaration against either repeal or modification. Such a demand would meet with determined opposition from not only the Smiths, but other candidates.

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DRYS GIRD FOR BATTLE AT HOUSTON

Prohibition Threatens As Chief Issue for Democrats — Stronger Plank Than G. O. P. For Voistead Urged by Ultras, and Rumpus Sure to Follow.

(By James L. West, Associated Press Staff Writer) HOUSTON, Texas, June 22.—(AP) Prohibition has superseded all other issues in the discussion and arguments pending the opening of the democratic national convention Thursday and it may furnish the basis for a real fight in the platform-making committee if not in the convention itself.

The ultra drys, who are violently opposed to the amendment of Al Smith have, momentarily at least, taken the ball away from the party leaders, who had planned to concentrate public attention on allegations of corruption in government and on politics.

Just how far the ultra-drys can carry their fight in the convention remains for future determination, but the stressing of this issue at this time has been predicted by a number of leaders, some of whom are opposed to Smith and who take the view that the democratic party must go to the country not on a single issue, but on a series covering the needs of the hour.

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SMITH TO WIN WHEN HE WILLS

Backers Claim Nomination On any Ballot they Choose — Favorite Sons Retain Hope—Democrats Seek A. Moses and Harmony— Prohibition Looms Large.

(By Paul Hanger, Associated Press Staff Writer) HOUSTON, Texas, June 22.—(AP) Al Smith stands tonight so close to the democratic presidential nomination that his supporters insist he can be got over at any stage of the convention following next week and his political foes generally concede that only a development not now prospect can stop him.

They will be 1,100 delegate votes in the convention. Two-thirds, or 733 1/3, will be required to nominate. Smith's backers claim he has 718 first ballot votes, but he needs 733 1/3 to win.

They are passing the word that favorite sons and other candidates are not to have their chances, they have indicated they would not be surprised if some of them followed the lead of Governor Ritchie of Maryland and withdrew before the result of the first ballot is announced.

A caucus without exception, Smith's opponents concede him at least 500 votes. They are clinging to the hope, however, that the slow still can be stemmed and enough delegates, chiefly from the south and southwest, can hold sway to block the nomination on an early ballot and bring about a deterioration of his forces.

The political movements of the New York executive, who is not on the scene, are looking to a dozen states to furnish the delegates they will need. The lines have their eyes on the same states and several are working for the votes to build up an anti-Smith coalition.

Smith's supporters are claiming some of the same delegates and the lineup will be determined definitely after the minimum delegation caucuses are held.

There are seven favorite son states—Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio and Tennessee—and Smith's base are counting on all of the votes from these states, 292 in all, being held away from him at the outset.

In addition there are seven non-favorite states with unattached delegates including 124 which are not in the Smith column, and from which, on the first ballot, the New York's managers expect to get 60, if any votes. There are Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Mississippi, South Carolina, Texas and Virginia.

Behind this block of states, which it held together against Smith would still hold about a dozen votes short of furnishing a caucus one-third in the convention. The convention's president, members of the executive committee, look to such states as North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Utah, and West Virginia for aid from part of the delegations. It is an such a step, which Smith's friends insist can never be perfected, that their hopes of stopping the leading contender for the nomination are based.

Even the opponents of the New York governor conceded that a healthy majority of the convention is divided to him for the first time. His friends said Smith's great appearance of last night, since that they could give him the two-thirds needed to nominate on any ballot they chose, and that they expected to have it over with early in the voting.

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CROATIA MOURNS FOR LOST LEADERS

ZAGREB, Croatia, June 23.—(AP)—All Croatia mourned as the bodies of Paul Radich and Dr. Tieschick, leading figures in the peasant party, who were shot down by a government deputy in Belgrade were borne to their graves today through a vast assemblage of peasants that lined the streets.

STRAIN TELLS ON LINDBERGH GIRL

LONDON, June 23.—(AP)—Miss Amelia Earhart, who is beginning to show the strain of the incalculable engagements which have flooded her since the arrival of the trans-Atlantic monoplane Friendship, put in a complete day of rest today. The only function attended was a luncheon given by Mrs. Alanson H. Houghton, wife of the American ambassador.

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