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## Today

By Arthur Brisbane

William II, Aged Seventy. Happy Big Steel. How Far You Candle. A City On A Rock.

In seven days William Hohenzollern, once emperor, will be 70. He looks well, but disillusioned, wears a full beard, mustaches no longer waxed or turned up at the point.

He will celebrate by publishing a book called "My Ancestors." It could be interesting, going back to the early money-lending family of East Prussia that got its name from high interest rates. But it's hard to write impartially about your own people.

William decided that some things were wrong in the Hohenzollern family, and blames its troubles, passion, sudden rages, bad temper, etc., on a woman, Maria Pavlova, Russian by blood, Hohenzollern by accident of marriage. That reminds you of Adam blaming Eve.

William says Maria was "the villain of my family." His predecessor, Frederick the Great, would know better. Maria Pavlova, because she was wild, violent, ungovernable, may have given Prussia's ruling family its genius.

Olympia's dancing naked, with snakes wrapped around her body, too intimate by far with the Egyptian magician, conspiring to murder Phillip's second wife and her baby, was, nevertheless, mother of Alexander the Great.

It takes energy to produce energy. Sometimes ladies that seem wild simply lack an adequate outlet for superior powers.

It's too bad we know so little about violent women of the past—Dido; and Bertha of the big feet; Charlemagne's mother; the marvelous Hypatia; and Tonyris, the African queen that cut off the head of Cyrus and dipped it in a goat skin filled with human blood.

Men have written much about themselves, not enough about women.

Ogden L. Mills, assistant secretary of the treasury, says the big steel company which got an income tax refund of \$15,000,000 in one year, paid in that same year \$173,000,000 in taxes.

"That interests 'big steel' stockholders. It indicates that their property is well managed, profitable."

The New York Central railroad, on its 35-story office building, installs a gigantic searchlight that will so shine, "in a naughty world" as to startle Shakespeare's little candle.

It will light up many inhabitants of "Easy Street," as it streams down Park avenue and over into Fifth avenue.

"Big Steel" went up \$21 a share last week, increasing the wealth of those that own it by \$1,700,000. And that was only one little item in the week's prosperity. If you have anything good in the United States, hold on to it. If not, as the late Collis P. Huntington would say, GET something.

Some elderly New Yorkers worry about big buildings, convinced that they must sooner or later cause Manhattan Island to sink.

It will comfort them to know that under New York there is solid

## TWO SHIPS SEND OUT HELP CALL

Freighters Florida And Dannedaie In Need Of Immediate Assistance—Steamer Teesbridge Also In Distress Off Cape Race.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Two freighters were in distress off the Virginia coast today, the Florida and the Dannedaie.

The Dannedaie, an American ship of 2000 tons, was reported in a delayed wireless message to be in need of immediate assistance, but no form was received.

St. Johns, N. F., Jan. 22.—(AP)—The steamer Maine, bound for Antwerp for New York, reported today that she was continuing in search for the steamer Teesbridge, in distress southeast of Cape Race, but was unable to find her.

In the last message received from the Teesbridge, bound from Powey, Ezg., for Philadelphia, it was said that two of her hatches had been stove in and her stockhold flooded. It was believed her wireless is out of order.

## MAN 37, GIRL 14 HIDE ON ISOLATED COW CREEK RANCH

ROSEBURG, Ore., Jan. 22.—(AP)—J. L. Cassin, 37, and Mary Hagilton, 14, were being detained here today following their arrest last night by Sheriff Jackson at a ranch which Cassin had purchased in Cow Creek Canyon, an isolated section of the county. The man is wanted in Torrington, Wyo., on a charge of abduction. Cassin and the girl are said to have left Wyoming last September. The man purchased a small ranch in the isolated canyon district in October, where the couple have since resided.

The girl, Sheriff Jackson said, made a statement of her relations with Cassin. She was turned over to juvenile officers and placed under the care of a physician.

District Attorney Gordon who is investigating the case, said he has not yet decided whether the man will be tried on a statutory charge in Oregon, be turned over to the government, or returned to Wyoming where a warrant, has been issued for him.

## ICE BREAKS TAKE FOUR IN SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Four deaths by breaking through ice was the toll of Seattle's cold snap, which came to an end with rising temperatures late yesterday and today. Continued rain or snow was predicted for today by Weather Observer M. E. Summers.

John Barr, 16, Charley Daugherty, 12, and Robert Sorenson, 12, were drowned in Green Lake here late yesterday when they walked too far out on the thin ice which fringed the shore.

Earlier in the day Winston Churchill, 20, passenger boat, crashed through while attempting to cross the ice on Mud lake near here on his motorcycle.

NEILANS TO PART  
BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Blanche Sweet, screen actress, and Marshall Neilan, her director husband, have come to the parting of the ways. A "for sale" sign was posted in front of their home yesterday. Neilan was recently named as a co-defendant in a divorce suit filed by Jim Tully, author.

PASTOR CATCHES DRUNK  
WACO, Texas, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Dr. J. Arthur Stout, pastor of the Central Christian church here, quit a funeral procession to chase an intoxicated driver caught the driver and held him until the police arrived. The drunk man had a load of shotgun, which the pastor wrenched from him, police said.

## DEMPSEY AS FIGHT PROMOTER



Johnny Buckley, manager of Jack Sharkey, signs the contract for a fight between the Boston sailor and Young Stribling at Miami Beach, Fla. The contract was signed at Boston. Left to right: William F. Carey and Jack Dempsey, both representing the Madison Square Garden corporation, and Buckley.

## INCREASED PAY REQUEST OF H. L. BROMLEY "BIG ERUPTION"

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 22.—(AP)—An increase in the salaries of the three members of the Oregon state industrial accident commission of \$2000 to \$4800 each will be proposed in a bill to be introduced at the present legislative session.

A letter from the commission, signed by Sam Laughlin, its chair, is being sent to 100 industrial leaders of the state who are contributors to the industrial accident fund, and they are asked to request their district representatives in the legislature to support the bill. Replies to the letter so far received are said to be encouraging.

The letter cites the rapid growth of business in the department in administering the workman's compensation act, and mentions that during 1928 the commission received and passed on approximately 40,000 claims, and received in cash from industries and workmen during that period nearly \$1,000,000.

The 1927 legislative act creating the state bond buyback commission, composed of the governor, the state treasurer and one member of the accident commission, has added to the responsibilities of the commission, according to the letter. It is stated that no change has been made in the salaries of the commissioners since the department began operation in 1914, although the chief auditor has been increased from a salary of \$80 a month to \$250.

Would Add Work  
The letter mentions a proposed amendment to the compensation act, expected to be introduced at this session, whereby the accident commission would take over the harbor workers' commission which is now operated by the federal government. This, it is claimed, will add to the commission's work and greatly increase its responsibilities.

The salaries of the accident commissioners are paid from the industrial accident fund which is created by the assessment on contributing industries. The Portland Labor Council, according to members of the commission, has approved the proposed increase.

The members of the commission are Sam Laughlin, E. E. Bragg and W. H. Fitzgerald.

Senator Joe Dunne of Multnomah county has introduced a bill that would make the membership of the commission five instead of three, one member to be a woman and one to be the state insurance commissioner who would serve in an ex-officio capacity. In addition to his salary as insurance commissioner the latter would receive half the salary of an accident commissioner member.

## SEVENTEEN DIE WHEN CAR HITS PITTSBURG BUS

BELLEVUE, Ohio, Jan. 22.—(AP)—At least 17 persons were killed and a number of others injured when a westbound Lake Shore electric interurban car crashed into a Pittsburgh-Chicago bus of the Greyhound company in a blinding snowstorm a mile and a half east of here this afternoon.

Of the 17 known dead, four were women. Fourteen of the bodies had been brought to the three undertaking establishments in Bellevue, when four more had been located in the wreckage.

Fifteen persons were taken to the Bellevue hospital.

As far as could be learned, none of the passengers on the interurban car was hurt.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Surgeons of the University of Illinois college of medicine are to attempt a series of operations, such as never before have been attempted, in an effort to enable a 5-year-old girl, born without feet, to walk, run and play.

Dr. Henry Bascom Thomas, professor of orthopedic surgery at the college, said it is hoped by the operation to form the muscles of the lower leg into substitutes for feet. A series of exercises is planned to follow the operations for the purpose of enabling the child to walk normally.

The girl's name was withheld.

Glendale—Construction on \$10,000,000 new city hall progressing satisfactorily.

## TAX BILLS TO APPEAR FOR WEEK

First of Tax Readjustment Measures By Special Committee Dropped In Honor Today—Remaining Bills on Program To Follow Two Or Three Per Day.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 22.—(AP)—The first of the so-called "big stuff" of the 35th legislative assembly will drop into the hopper of the house today with the introduction of the first of tax readjustment bills sponsored by the special property tax equalization committee.

Following the outlined program of the committee in developing its tax equalization scheme the bills will be presented in the order the subject matter bears to the chronological sequence of the program. The first topic in the committee's program being equalization, the bills slated for introduction today will provide for centralized control of assessments in the state tax commission by conferring on the commission supervision over the operations of county assessors and county boards of equalization, and for a paid state tax commission of three members appointed by the state board of control and drawing salaries of \$4000 a year each.

The remaining bills designed to carry into effect the committee's recommendations will be introduced two or three each day, the committee has decided, to allow their subject matter to be more fully assimilated by the lawmakers and to permit the newspapers to place them before the public in an orderly and comprehensive manner. Under this schedule all of this series of tax bills will be before the house in a week or ten days. The much discussed excise tax on hotels and corporations and the combined income tax measure are expected to appear next Monday or Tuesday.

To Speed Action  
Once the bills have been introduced, action upon them will be speeded up by an agreement reached between senate and house leaders Monday evening, whereby all hearings upon tax and revenue measures will be conducted jointly by the senate committee on revenue and taxation and the house committee on assessment and taxation, and taxation and revenue. The joint action will apply only to hearings to eliminate the necessity of each committee going over the same ground in hearing testimony and examining witnesses, and the committees will retain their individual authority for proposing reports. Under tentative plans the chairman of the committee to which each bill is assigned will preside over the joint hearing upon that bill.

Phone Report Due  
Another of the major problems slated to drop into the legislative mill Tuesday or Wednesday is the formal report of the committee appointed by the house during the 1927 session to inquire into the rates and practices of the telephone monopoly. The report has been completed and needs only the signature of Representative Carlin to start it on its way to the printer. Carlin is hesitant about joining the recommendations, particularly in the matter of advising that utility for proposing rate, rules, regulations and rates of telephone companies be taken out of the hands of the state public service commission and vested in the individual municipalities.

Carlin takes the position that the cities of the state, particularly the smaller ones, are not equipped to battle successfully with a corporation of the proportions of the telephone company; that they have not and could not secure capable experts to handle the multiplicity of problems such regulation would embrace, and that a system of local regulation would open the way to serious abuses, corruption and political intrigue. Admitting that a city the size of Portland might be able to work such regulation out effectively, Carlin says he might be willing to endorse a recommendation for municipal regulation and rate-fixing if it were restricted to cities of 100,000 population or over.

The enacting legislation to carry the recommendations of the telephone committee into effect will consist of a memorial urging congress to institute a nationwide investigation of the rates and procedure of a "home rule" bill to confer the rate-making authority in Oregon upon the cities.

Never May Coach  
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Ernie Nevers, star of the Stanford university football team in 1928, may become a coach. Reports were current here today that Nevers is being considered by the University of Idaho as head coach.

## RETENTION OF MODEL FARMS IS CENSURED

Senator Strayer Flays State Land Settlement Commission—Sale Ordered Two Years Ago Is Assertion.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Some sharp fire from the ways and means committee was directed Monday night at the state land settlement commission because it has failed during the last two years to sell off the state's trial farms, sometimes known as model farms. One of these is located near Roseburg, one near Independence and another in eastern Oregon.

"Two years ago," said Senator Strayer, a veteran member of the committee, "we ordered them to get out of business, if the commission hasn't authority to sell the farms, let's draw up a bill giving them the authority and see if they won't be gone within the next two years."

Strayer's comment was followed by a motion by Chairman Hoshlight of the house wing of the committee, that a sub-committee be appointed to ascertain what the state's capital investment in the farms amounts to.

Some of the sub-committees that visited state institutions during the week end adjournment reported. The committee headed by Senator Reynolds that visited the Ashland Normal school and the Soldiers' Home at Roseburg, recommended that the state's investment in the Soldiers' Home be sold.

The committee accepted the report and there were indications that the recommendation would be approved.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 22.—(AP)—First steps toward harmonizing existing and proposed motor vehicle license laws in Oregon with similar statutes in the state of Washington were taken Monday night when the house committee on roads and highways drafted a resolution which will be presented to the house, and in which the senate is expected to concur, appointing two members of the house and two from the senate to meet with a similar committee from the Washington state legislature. The committee fees from the two state legislatures will, it is hoped, work out reciprocal arrangements regarding license fees for vehicles operating in both states.

## 88,000,000 Pounds Ground Hog Eaten in 1928 Hot Dawg!

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 22.—(AP)—The Packers' and Sausage Manufacturers' association has an interesting announcement. Hot dawg! Eight hundred and eighty million of them eaten last year. End to end, the world's sausage the earth 16 times. But they were not placed end to end. They were spread with mustard and slipped between sliced buns. The completed product, piled one upon the other, would have towered miles and miles. The statistician was too heedful to say exactly how many.

Eighty-eight million pounds of sausage in slicers last year, and 19 frankfurters to the pound.

Hot dawg!

## CHICAGO TO ARBITRATE MILK WAR

Warring Factions Agree To Discuss Differences—160,000 Pounds Lactal Fluid Destroyed Last Night—Monday Day Of Violence In The Chicago District.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Chicago's milk strike, with its attendant displays of violence and the destruction of milk destined for the Chicago market, was ended at a conference of producers, distributors and city health officers early today.

Dr. Arnold Kessel, commissioner of health, announced that the two factions, at logcamps for weeks over the price to be paid for raw milk, had agreed to submit their differences to arbitration.

Officials of the Pure Milk association, representing the striking dairymen, agreed to order the discontinuance of picketing pending settlement.

The dairymen's demand of \$2.55 a hundredweight for milk and the distributors' counter-proposal of \$2.50 were to be submitted for arbitration today at a meeting between representatives of the two factions.

Milk Destroyed  
The conference was called after 300 striking dairymen last night added to the thousands of pounds of milk that have been dumped by seizing two 800 line milk trains at Lake Villa, Ill. They cowed the crews with clubs, hewed their way into four cars with pickaxes, and destroyed 160,000 pounds of milk.

It was the chief outbreak of a day of violence in which truck drivers were kidnaped and beaten and 272,000 pounds of milk dumped at Lake Villa, Bartlett, Half Day, Elgin, Lake Geneva, Ill.; Burlington, Elkhorn, and Springfield, Wis.; Gray and Miller, Ill., and other districts where the dairymen's fight for an increased price has been most pronounced. During the last few days an average of 400,000 pounds of milk daily has been diverted from Chicago distributors. Commissioner Kessel estimated, thirty-one receiving stations handling the product of 5411 farms have closed. He said.

## STATEMENT BY ROOSEVELT HAS POSSIBLE 'KICK'

Executive's Charge That Smith Defeat Left A Feeling Similar To Tilden Case Roils Solons—May Ask For Proof.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Governor Roosevelt today faced the possibility of being asked by the legislature to produce proof of a statement that a feeling was prevalent after the last election similar to that which followed the theft of the presidency in the Tilden case.

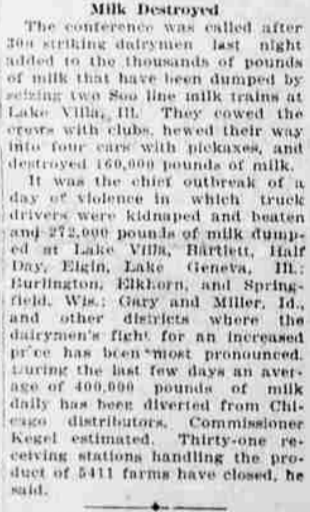
A resolution inviting the governor to produce such evidence was introduced by a Republican assemblyman Richard B. Smith of Oneida county. The resolution said that Governor Roosevelt's statement "challenged the honesty of the election of Herbert Hoover, and casts a cloud upon his right to assume office of the president of the United States on March 4th" and that "the plain import of such statement is to cast reflection upon the methods employed by the supporters of Herbert Hoover in the last election."

Criticism of the governor was made in the resolution for giving the influence of his office to the opinion of his correspondents.

The resolution said it was the duty of the legislature to enact such laws as were charged. Governor Roosevelt's statement said in connection with the feeling prevalent after the defeat of former Governor Alfred E. Smith as Democratic presidential candidate:

What He Said  
"This clearly expressed feeling can only be compared to that which followed the theft of the presidency in the Tilden case. Bigotry, ignorance of Democratic principles, the spread by unscrupulous and un-American methods of the most atrocious falsehoods; unfair and improper pressure brought to bear upon workers in specially favored Republican industries; false claims for the property of the country and kindred propaganda, cheated, so my correspondents feel, our party of the presidency."

The statement was issued by the governor recently after he received replies from 3000 letters sent to Democratic leaders in various states asking opinions as to the party's situation.



## NORTHCOTT GAINS TWO DAY RESPITE

COURTROOM, RIVER SIDE, Cal., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Gordon Stewart Northcott, accused murderer of young boys, tottered into the court room today leaning heavily on the arms of two deputy sheriffs and shading his eyes with dark glasses. As soon as court convened he asked for a continuance of his trial for "I don't know how long."

Superior Judge George R. Freeman, after hearing testimony of Dr. H. L. Rathbone, who examined Northcott 20 minutes before court convened, granted a continuance until Thursday. Northcott sat with closed eyes at the counsel table during the brief court session. He was taken immediately to his cell.

## Will Rogers Says: NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—

This fellow Whalen is really trying to do something with this traffic situation in New York and everybody is hoping he gets away with it.

For the first time in New York he is making pedestrians like an automobile. Now whether they know that much depends on the people, pedestrians must hold out their hand when getting ready to turn. Continually doing this is going to be hard for just a few of us here in New York. Taxicabs must go over to New Jersey to turn right, and to Long Island to turn left. Your theatre ticket is good for any theatre you happen to pass by.

Yours,  
WILL ROGERS.

## STATE RESTS CASE AGAINST ASA KEYES

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22.—(AP)—The state rested its case in the felony trial of Asa Keyes and five co-defendants today after it had presented two witnesses.

Re-try Moore  
PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 22.—(AP)—The second trial of Roy Moore and seven others on indictments charging conspiracy to violate the prohibition law, was called for 2 p. m. in federal court today. The jury in the previous trial disagreed.

## MISSING WOMAN HOME, ESCORT IS PLACED IN JAIL

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Mrs. Marlon Thomas, who was reported missing by her husband when he returned from Los Angeles on Sunday, is safe and unharmed, and Sam Brorson, a salesman of Hayward, is held in jail on a vagrancy charge.

Brorson said that when he brought Mrs. Thomas home on Sunday night two men jumped at him as he was leaving the woman and carted him off to jail.

Brorson described Mrs. Thomas as a "fine woman." I knew her sister well. Mrs. Thomas was visiting friends in Hayward and asked me to take her home."

Mrs. Thomas is well known in social and club circles here.

