

Today

By Arthur Brisbane Seeing Others Suffer. 800,000 Futile Men. Short Skirts—Bare Back. Dr. Lowell On Drink.

Some find happiness in the misery of others. Crowds gathered to see punished traitors in Queen Elizabeth's day...

Cotton Mather told his flock that in heaven the blessed were made more blissful by permission to look down into hell...

We have improved morally, but even now, in Florida, California, or on the French Riviera, men like to read about cold weather elsewhere...

When we realize that "absolute zero," a temperature hundreds of degrees below zero, exists throughout space...

Nothing is more marvelous than Nature's regulation of the earth's temperature except the regulation of our bodily heat...

We are fearfully and wonderfully made and so is our old earth. Those that do not praise the Lord are ungrateful.

It is important to have tools, more important to understand how to use them. China is about to dismiss 1,000,000 men from her various armies...

China keeps an army of 800,000 men, biggest in the world. Japan, or any other nation that understands war, with one-quarter as many men, could conquer the Chinese army.

Hence the importance of developing military specialists here, enlarging West Point and Annapolis, and employing in public works engineers produced by military schools.

Modern war is chiefly engineering. The dashing commander of a cavalry regiment would be replaced by a man like Lindbergh, or Rickenbacker leading an airplane flotilla.

Napoleon could not have imagined that, when in Egypt, having brought many scientists from France, he ordered "Donkeys and scientists in the center," when the fighting began.

Paris, says women, this summer will wear skirts as short as ever, but "less on their backs." The day when ladies started the opera by uncovering half of their pine has gone by.

INTRODUCE AUTO BILL IN HOUSE

Twenty-Five Per Cent Reduction in License Proposed—Four Per Cent Excise Tax On National Banks Also Dropped in Hopper—Bank Tax Proceeds for General Fund.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 29.—(AP)—Two of the much-discussed legislative proposals emanating from special committees functioning in the interim between the 1927 and the 1929 legislative sessions, became official business of the 25th assembly Tuesday with introduction in the house of a bill to reduce automobile license fees...

The auto license measure becomes house bill 250, by Senator Kiddle and Representative Winslow. Andrews, Norson and Lockwood, and the excise tax proposal is designated as house bill 279, introduced by Representatives Andrews, Carlin and Hamilton.

Under the revised excise tax corporations are permitted to offset direct property taxes paid in the state up to 50 per cent of the excise levy, and the tax imposed is restricted to business done within the state of Oregon.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 29.—(AP)—Six house bills and one senate bill were passed by the house of representatives Tuesday morning.

H. B. 250, raising the salaries of Lane county officers was also passed without contest. It was supported by the Lane county delegation.

Senate bill 18, relating to the election of school directors in Multnomah county, was passed by the house on the recommendation of the Multnomah county delegation.

GAS BLAST WRECKS CAUSES INJURY AND FIRE IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 29.—(AP)—At least four persons were seriously injured and a score were thrown into a panic when a gas explosion partially wrecked a three-story apartment house at Sunset boulevard here this morning.

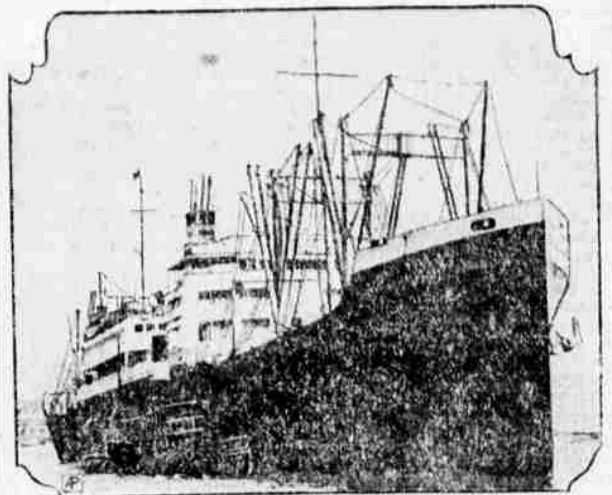
The blast occurred in the apartment of Henry F. Baker, owner of the building, when he arose and struck a match in a gas filled room.

Baker, his wife, and Mr. and Mrs. Hartholt, who were their guests, were injured by the explosion and were burned by the fire which followed.

Occupants of the apartment houses, violently awakened by the explosion, rushed through the building and into the streets in their night clothes, while neighbors sent in a general police and fire call.

HAWLEY INTRODUCES INCLUSION MEASURE WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—A bill to authorize the transfer of 124 acres of land in the Oregon & California land grants to the Greater National Forest in Oregon, was introduced today by Representative Hawley, Republican, Oregon.

SHIP GROUNDS; PASSENGERS SAVED



The Dollar liner President Garfield, starting a world cruise, was stranded when it struck a reef off the Bahamas. Passengers were transferred to another ship.

TO BEGIN WORK GRANTS PASS S. O. S. BUILDING DISTRICT NEAR ON MARCH 1ST REFINANCING

New \$150,000 Plant to Be Completed By First of July—Call for Bids Expected in February—100,000 Box Capacity.

Construction of the new \$150,000 plant of the Southern Oregon Sales, Inc., at Stewart avenue and Southern Pacific railroad tracks, opposite the county fair grounds, will start March 1 and will be completed by July 1.

Final approval of the architect's plans will be given about February 1, with the return from California of Leonard B. Carpenter, president of the S. O. S., and it is expected that a call for bids will be made February 15, according to Paul Scherer, general manager.

Among the features of the plant will be an attractive office building facing the Pacific highway, with landscape gardening. The office building will be fireproof inside and out, and modernly equipped.

The storage, packing and pre-cooling structure will be the largest of its kind in the Rogue River valley, and its dimensions will be 254 feet by 192 feet, two stories high, and fitted with equipment for the speedy, scientific and economical handling of fruit.

CAPTAIN FRIED TO VISIT BIG TOWNS

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Captain George Fried, hero of the Florida and Antioch rescues, is to visit several large American cities in reply to demands that other parts of the country get an opportunity to see the captain of the liner America.

This announcement was made today by George S. Mabey, assistant general manager of the United States lines, who said that the trip would be made by order of the shipping board.

During Captain Fried's absence the America will be commanded by Harry Manning, the 32-year-old officer in charge of the Itosban which last week saved the lives of 32 men of the Italian freighter Florida.

The America will sail tomorrow with Manning as acting captain.

REBELLION BLAZES THROUGHOUT SPAIN

HENDAYE, Franco-Spanish Frontier, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Advice received here today indicates that revolutionary activities have broken out in many parts of Spain among both soldiers and civilians.

ECONOMY PROMOTED BY BUDGET

President Coolidge Declares System Fully Justified By Eight Years Results—Warning Given Against Increasing Cost of Government.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Addressing the business organization of the government for the last time, President Coolidge last night issued a warning that rigid economy in federal expenditures must be continued and the "rapidly mounting" cost of state and local governments must be sharply curtailed if national prosperity is to be maintained.

At the same time, the chief executive declared that the budget system, "put into operation to save the country from economic disaster," had been fully justified by the results of its eight years of operation.

General Land, the only other speaker of the evening, declared that a steady increase in national expenditures must be expected, a circumstance which, he said, must not weaken the government's budget policy.

After enumerating the accomplishments of the last eight years, Mr. Coolidge declared that much remained to be done. In spite of determined efforts for economy, savings in interest due to reduction of the national debt, and four reductions in taxes, he said, government expenditures are showing a tendency to increase.

Mr. Coolidge outlined the conditions he said had been prevalent when the budget system was instituted, enumerating depression in business, declining wages, unemployment, lack of markets, and the low price of securities, including government bonds.

"Confidence in our entire economic structure had been shaken," he said, "Progress had stopped."

The country, Mr. Coolidge continued, had been living beyond its means, spending much more than it was earning, using up its capital, and the savings of previous years were being exhausted, privation through government extravagance.

In Standard Oil Fight



Edward G. Seibert (top), president of the Standard Oil company of Indiana, and Felix T. Graham, secretary, are expected to support Col. Robert W. Stewart in his campaign for reelection as chairman of the board over opposition of John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

OGDEN MILLS FINANCIER, ART PATRON PASSES

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Ogden Mills, financier and patron of the arts, died at his home in East 69th street early today of pneumonia. He was 72 years old.

At his bedside were his son, Ogden L. Mills, under secretary of the treasury, and his daughter, the Countess of Granard. His other daughter, Mrs. Henry C. Wright, Ph.D., is in Palm Beach attending the illness of her own daughter.

Born in Sacramento, Cal., Mr. Mills received his elementary education in that state and later came east to complete his studies at Exeter academy and Harvard.

He only recently began to relax from the responsibilities of an active business life. He was an officer in several corporations and a director in many others.

Mr. Mills was a member of a number of New York clubs and the Pacific Union club of San Francisco. Whitelaw Reid was a brother-in-law.

Diogenes, I! Lamp Mr. C. Peoria, Illinois

PEORIA, Ill., Jan. 29.—(AP)—Diogenes Peoria, Illinois, how do you intend to make a load of your feet? Here's Ralph Campbell, the man you've been looking for.

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SNOW FALLING IN PORTLAND AGAIN TODAY

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 29.—(AP)—After a brief respite during the early morning hours, a heavy downfall of snow was resumed in Portland today, and great snowfalls and augmented crews of men were set to work keeping arterial streets and highways open to travel.

The snowfall proved a windfall for the unemployed today. The city jail was emptied of the drifters who sought a night's protection from the elements, and the public service companies embraced all who would work.

The fresh storm today blew out of the north as its predecessor had. Astrang male swept the Columbia river gorge and the highway. It is hoped was entertained that the highway would remain passable today.

One of Multnomah county's newly purchased snowplows was snowed under on the Columbia highway.

RUMANIAN DEPUTIES RATIFY KELLOGG PACT

BUCHAREST, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The Rumanian chamber of deputies today unanimously ratified the Kellogg pact for renunciation of war. Foreign Minister Mironescu praised the initiative of Secretary Kellogg and added that the pact is an international affirmation of peace.

VICTORY IS CLAIM FOR JOHN D. JR.

Battle to Oust Stewart Successful, Is Report—DeBevoise Says Rockefeller Has Enough Votes for March 7 Meeting—Stewart Associate Denies Fight Lost.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Victory in his battle to oust Col. Robert W. Stewart as chairman of the board of the Standard Oil company of Indiana was claimed for John D. Rockefeller, Jr., today, an associate of Stewart disagreed.

Thomas A. DeBevoise, manager of the Rockefeller campaign for proxies to be voted at the annual meeting of the company March 7, said he believed the Rockefeller group now has enough votes to swing the election.

It is estimated that approximately 90 per cent of the total stock will be represented at the meeting and that control means the holding of more than 45 per cent of the proxies.

AIR MAIL LANDED IN EUGENE TODAY

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 29.—(AP)—The Pacific Air Transport Company said here today that Pilot Heber Miller, after fighting the snowstorm for three hours and 25 minutes, landed the airmail in Eugene today. He had left Portland at 7:29 a. m. in an attempt to break through the blizzard.

The mail bags were sent on to California. Northbound airmail is being transferred to the train at Redding, Calif.

Will Rogers Says: NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—

Just had a long visit and lunch with Ambassador Morrow. He is tickled to get back to Mexico, as he feels that there is where he can be the most good to his country. He told me of many helpful changes going on there now. Coolidge will have no brighter accomplishment to look back on than in his judgment of sending Morrow to that post, for after all peace and good will with your neighbor is a nation's greatest recommendation. You show me a man that gets on fine with his neighbors (no matter how often he beats his wife), and he must be a man with some good in him (even if it's just good judgment). Morrow changed the whole system of diplomacy from a drawing room to a pencil and some figures. Yours, WILL ROGERS.

