

The Weather

Forecast—Fair tonight and Tuesday. No temperature change. Highest yesterday 54. Lowest this morning 19.

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Weather Year Ago

Highest year ago today 51. Lowest year ago today 31.

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Today

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Flying for Business. Please Don't Gamble. A Bank for Brokers. Too Many Old People.

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Lindbergh, who has not traveled on a railroad train since his flight to Paris, sets a flying example followed by many. M. C. Meigs, published of the Chicago Herald-Examiner, keeps a big airplane for his trips to the Pacific coast, and for other errands. Mr. Stewart, head of Standard Oil of Indiana, has one of Henry Ford's three-engine, all-metal machines, for his use and that of his board of directors.

And Col. E. A. Deeds, who put the electric starter in automobiles, actually keeps an all-metal, three-engined plane anchored in his front yard at Dayton, Ohio.

When he travels, the plane travels with him. He flew into Havana a few days ago with his wife, her maid, his secretary, the treasurer of his company and two general managers. After examining various properties, he flew, with his party, 335 miles in two hours. GET YOUR AIRPLANE.

Unhappy speculators, stepping off the price list toboggan when the market closed on Friday, had all of Saturday to answer calls for margin and reflect on the advice, "Don't gamble."

Nothing will happen to American values. All those in honest, capable hands will be worth more than ever, no matter what the Federal Reserve Board may do.

But all sorts of things may, and probably will, happen to those that gamble and get beyond their depth. The ocean is all right, but it's no place for those that cannot swim.

In response to warnings from the Federal Reserve, banks withdrew on Friday \$25,000,000 of call loans. The idea was "to discourage speculation." That speculation keeps big banks and their gigantic profits alive, but that is another story.

When loans were called, the rate moved from 6 to 9 per cent. Banks calling loans sacrificed 6 per cent on \$25,000,000 and made an additional 3 per cent on about four billions. Figure that out, and learn that the banks did not lose anything.

It is not serious that finance is not understood by anybody, least of all by bankers, too close to it.

But even a child, on the farm, could understand that systematic usury must be harmful. Even as-bare-a-thing as a speculator, buying American securities, should not be robbed to systematically.

It is probable that investigation of the Federal Reserve banks, and its accidental or intentional promotion of bank profits through usury, will follow the latest Federal Reserve action, responsible for a loss, widely scattered, of three or more billions in a few hours.

Who do not Stock Exchange men protect themselves and their customers from financial tyranny? They could establish a great bank, especially for their own purposes. Compelling brokers to make call loans at that bank, on conservative margins of security, at a fair interest rate, and dividing profits among Stock Exchange members, they might be something that the

MEXICO IN TURMOIL AFTER EXECUTION

DYNAMITE TRAIN OF PORTES GIL

Demonstrations Staged As Obregon's Assassin Is Buried—Engine of President's Train Destroyed—34 Arrested and Three Killed in Funeral Riots.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 11.—(AP)—The greatest excitement Mexico City has known since the assassination of President-Elect Alvaro Obregon prevailed today.

Police guards were doubled because of dynamiting of the train on which President Emilio Portes Gil was returning here yesterday, and because of discovery shortly after midnight of a unexploded bomb in the campaign headquarters of Aeron Saeziz, presidential candidate.

Saeziz is governor of the state of Nuevo Leon, the candidate of the national revolutionary party for the presidency, and is a non-follower of Ex-President Calles.

President Portes Gil arrived here shortly after one o'clock this morning aboard the special train which had been the object of a bomb attack in the state of Guanajuato, between the stations of Comonfort and Rincon.

Arriving with him was the winner of war, General Joaquin Amaro, and Benito Amaro. A heavy military guard was kept about the Colonia station until after they left for their homes.

Adding to the Sabbath excitement were demonstrations accompanying the funeral of General Obregon's assassin, Jose de Leon Torral, who was executed Sunday. Of 24 persons arrested 20 were women.

Three Killed. Three persons were killed and 20 were wounded.

The bombing of President Portes Gil's train took place as the locomotive passed over a bridge in the desert wilderness in the eastern part of the state of Guanajuato, between Comonfort and Rincon, south of San Luis Potosi.

The locomotive was partly destroyed and two coaches took it were thrown from the tracks. The fireman in the locomotive died. The presidential special, proceeded the presidential special, passed over the bridge unscathed.

The president and the secretary of war left the rear coach and questioned some Indians whom troops captured in searching the vicinity. They satisfied themselves there had nothing to do with the attempt on his life and they were released.

Near the scene of the dynamiting troops found the remains of an open air meal, some sulphuric acid, and a receipt for a telegram sent at Tampico, where the president had been after a visit to Ciudad Victoria to attend the funeral of his successor as governor of the state of Tamaulipas.

Further down the track another dynamite bomb—unexploded—was found affixed to the rails.

All were instructed to shoot or capture anyone connected with the incident.

A special train was dispatched from Queretaro, inviting the party to continue the journey to Mexico City.

Gil Is Silent. President Portes Gil refused newspapermen's request for a statement when he arrived this morning with the word that he had nothing to say.

When photographers asked him to pose he remarked sarcastically that they might do better to go take some more pictures of church women so as to make more propaganda for Toral.

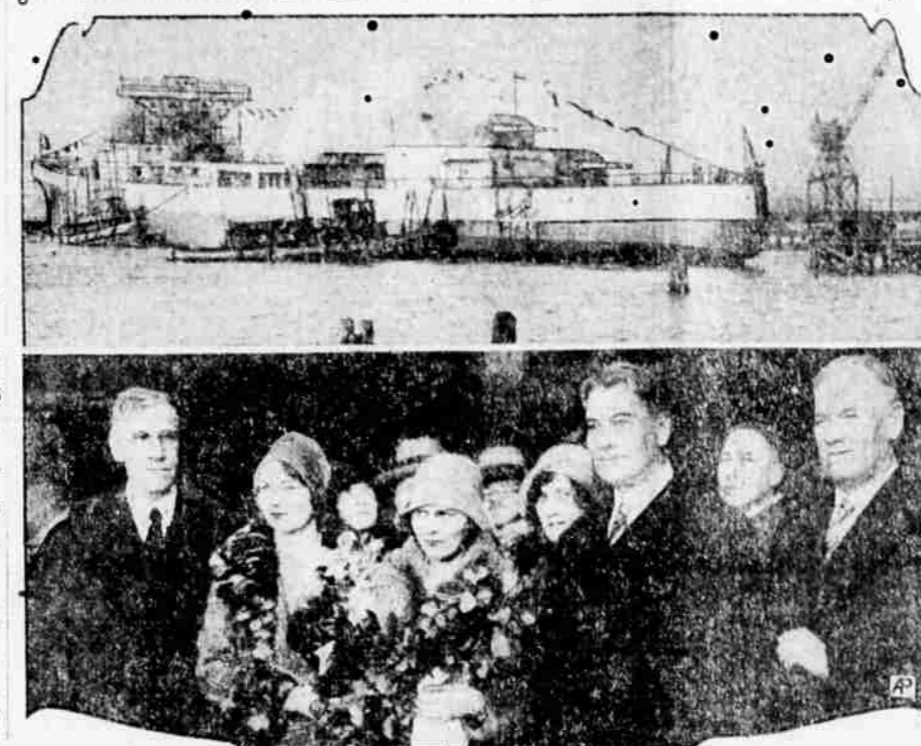
Mexico City police had their hands full at the funeral of Toral. A motor hearse carried his body to the Spanish cemetery on the outskirts of the city. As it passed through the streets a crowd fell in behind with occasional women breaking their police lines to grab a flower from the hearse.

A fire engine accompanied the procession with hoses ready to disperse the gathering should it become unruly. Neither father, mother, nor widow was able to participate in the services. Soldiers fired above the heads of the crowd in an effort to disperse it.

There were frequent clashes between firemen with the hose, the police, and crowds of mourners, many of whom threw stones. It was in these clashes a man was killed and others were injured.

Police officials estimated that 169,000 people lined the long route.

LAUNCH SALT LAKE CITY, FIRST 10,000 TON CRUISER



Secretary of the Navy Wilbur attended the launching of the 10,000-ton cruiser Salt Lake City at Camden, N. J. The Salt Lake City, one of eight cruisers authorized by congress in 1924, is the first of her class launched under Washington arms agreement of 1922. Below, left to right: Senator Smoot of Utah; Galley Rich, maid of honor; Helen Budge of Utah who christened the ship; Secretary Wilbur and Mayor J. F. Bowman of Salt Lake City.

BLEAK BLANKET PROGRAM SET ACROSS EUROPE LINCOLN DAY BRINGS MISERY BANQUET MEET

LONDON, Feb. 11.—(AP)—Ice and snow stretched today in a bleak white blanket across Europe from Scandinavia to the Balkans. Some towns frozen in faced food and fuel shortages. Ice was piled high in rivers. In the Baltic, 119 ships of various sizes were held tight in an ice crush. In Jugoslavia the Moslem town of Grandjevo, near Sarajevo, was dug out of the snow after being buried for nine days. Food and fuel was gone and many of the 2500 inhabitants were delirious. Army sappers reached the unroofed villages after others had failed.

Denmark had the worst ice conditions since 1932. Many islands were cut off. One of them, Polvorn, has been isolated since January 11. Ice breakers had the greatest difficulty keeping channels open. Two skaters crossed the sound to Sweden.

An ice breaker rescued the passengers off a liner frozen in the Cattegat. The ferry Mecklenburg was stranded with a ship load of passengers from Germany, was hoisted out of the ice and the ferry was rescued. Many rivers were frozen over. River traffic almost everywhere stopped. There were many deaths. During harbor froze over. At Kiel three bathers worked to keep a channel clear.

Lincoln's Gettysburg address, Rev. W. B. Barney will offer the invocation. Dick Power will enthrone his hearers with original poems. Ruth Louise Yoder will sing and boys will be made by an Ashland orchestra.

The picture of Abraham Lincoln, presented by Floyd Cook to the club, will be unveiled at the meeting.

The banquet starts at 6:15 sharp and the program should be completed by 9 p. m.

It is hoped a large delegation will attend from Medford and from the other cities and surrounding country.

KING EMACIATED BY LONG ILLNESS

BOGNOR, England, Feb. 11.—(AP)—Some of those about Craigville House have passed a story around indicating that King George's illness may have reduced his weight to 112 pounds.

It is said he was quite cheerful and jolled those who visited him from his room at Buckingham palace to the ambulance that brought him to Bognor Saturday.

He told them he hoped they would not find his name heavy. When the chief bearer said they had been practicing with a man weighing 175 pounds the King is said and said he weighed only 112 pounds.

Family of Mail Carriers. YATES CENTER, Kas.—(AP)—"Carry on!" well may be the motto of the Van Wykes, for they are a family of rural mail carriers. J. F. Van Wyke carried the mail 14 years; his son, Frank, did it 25 years; and now his grandson, Earl, is doing it.

HOPE SEEN IN NEW TAX MEASURES

More Than \$4,000,000 Additional Revenue for State Provided in Legislative Measures—Excise Tax in Foreground—Tobacco Tax Bills Ready.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 11.—(AP)—Revenue measures which have been approved and allowed to stand without exercise of the referendum will raise the state more than \$4,000,000 in additional revenues, reduces the state tax upon property by about \$5,000,000, completely wipe out the deficit that has been piling up since 1923 and provide some money for much needed capital outlays, will be before the legislature by Tuesday night.

These money raising bills fall into two classes, those sponsored by the property tax relief commission after a two-year interim study of taxation problems and those introduced by individual members. In the former group are the excise tax, into which a five per cent rate will be written, applying to corporations; the personal income tax with a property tax offset up to 75 per cent of the assessed income levy; the increased fees upon insurance companies, a tobacco tax and tax on intangibles.

The Hall-Norton income tax applying to individuals and corporations, and the sales tax proposed by Senator Miller which levies a tax from one to five mills upon gross sales of wholesale and retail dealers, fall in the second class.

Representative Carlin, chairman of the property tax relief commission, announced this morning that the bills providing for taxes on tobacco and intangibles would be introduced by individual members, perhaps himself, and would not be sponsored by the commission directly, although they come within the scope of subjects given consideration by the commission.

Tobacco Bill. The tobacco bill will include all tobacco products and will provide for a 10 per cent levy on the original containers, to be paid by the dealer. Cigarettes and cigars, for instance, would be taxed in a shape that would eliminate the nuisance of affixing stamps to each package of cigarettes, or levying upon each cigar sold. Carlin said that it had been suggested by some legislators that cigarettes be exempted from the tax, but he insisted on all forms of tobacco in his proposal in order that discrimination cannot be pleaded as an argument in support of a referendum such as was invoked against the last tax of this kind enacted by the legislature, which exempted cigars.

A flat rate of five per cent on income is specified in the bill levying a tax upon intangibles such as stocks, bonds and other securities, held in safe deposit boxes or other places. The bill is modified after the New Hampshire law, and the rate is made so light as to discourage attempts at concealing intangible wealth. Carlin points out that the net earning power of securities is decreased by but a fraction by the tax, but estimates that the levy will return about \$200,000 annually to the state.

The tobacco tax is estimated to raise \$1,000,000 a year.

NO TRACE FOUND OF RIDDLE MAN

ROBERTS, Ore., Feb. 11.—(AP)—Although 200 men, aided by an airplane, have been searching the Wilson and Canyon creek slopes since Saturday for the Galbreath, no trace of the missing man had been found today. Galbreath disappeared January 28 when he entered the timber in search of raw wood. When he failed to return within a 48-hour relative believed he had gone to a mining camp. Saturday it was found he had not reached the camp.

Footprints, nearly obliterated, were found in the melting snow on the summit of the divide. Whether these tracks were made by Galbreath is not known.

Forty men yesterday pulled in to the timber with 11 horses loaded with supplies, and have established a base camp on the head of Canyon creek. They will search that district for several days.

Sidi Bey Dead. TUNIS, North Africa, Feb. 11.—(AP)—Mohamed El Habib Bey, who mounted a throne of Tunis in 1915, died today at the age of 73. His successor, Ahmed Bey, will be installed.

Sun Always Shines Above Clouds, Says Capt. Frank Hawks

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—(AP)—Captain Frank H. Hawks had a good reason for soaring on his non-stop flight from Los Angeles to New York, he explained to the congregation at the Chelsea Methodist Episcopal church. "No matter how high above the clouds you go, the sun is always there. So it is in everyday life. No matter how dark it is or how rainy, like the sun, God is always up there."

RADIO STATION WORKERS HERE CURRENT WEEK

\$50,000 Plant to Rise Near Proposed Airport Site—R. A. Martin Arrives to Take Charge of Construction Work.

Actual construction of the new government radio station to be located near Medford, announced some time ago, will begin the latter part of this week with the arrival of equipment, according to R. A. Martin, who arrived last evening from Reno, Nev., to be in charge of construction. The new station will entail an approximate expenditure ranging from \$50,000 to \$75,000 and will be the most complete of its kind on the Pacific coast, as well as in the nation.

The site is located near the proposed new municipal airport on Riddle Lane and is only a short distance from the Crater Lake highway, two miles north of this city. A crew of five or six men will be employed in the construction of the station, including two steel towers, each 128 feet high, and two smaller towers of 50 and 50 feet in height and 175 feet apart. An office building of approximately 20 feet square will be transmitting apparatus, including only the latest in radio equipment.

The station will operate on five kilowatts, or 500 watts on interchangeable wave lengths of 59, 38 and 909 meters. The latter length will be used for the transmission of wireless telephony in sending weather reports to pilots while in the air. The short wave lengths will be used principally for telegrams, with 88 meters to be used in the transmission of night messages. The wave lengths are so arranged to avoid possible interference in local reception of programs from KMEM and other coast stations, being both above and below the receiving range of local sets.

To Aid Planes. The chief purpose of the station is to keep in touch with mail and passenger planes while in the air, to broadcast weather and other information, and will be used for official purposes only. It will be operated on a 24-hour basis, divided into three eight-hour shifts, using three operators, with Mr. Martin as chief operator.

The local station is one of six on which construction is beginning this month, at Los Angeles, Fresno, Oakland, Portland and Seattle, and is similar to those which have been in use on the transcontinental air mail route. Other stations may be constructed later at intermediary points, such as Redding, Chico, Eugene and Olympia.

Upon its completion the station, which has been in use at the local airport by the Pacific Air Transport company, will be abandoned, according to Mr. Martin, who also added that a printer telegraph service, of similar type used by newspapers in receiving telegraphic reports, will connect the radio station, the airport and the local United States weather bureau into one chain.

Will Rogers Says

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—(AP)—See where Mr. Hoover has gone over to see inventor Edison, to see if he can't invent a cabinet that will please just even 5 per cent of the people that wasn't named on it. If he can, then he will be a real inventor. New York can't sleep tonight wondering what the stock market will open at tomorrow. Radio just had its usual amount of static over the week end, steel turned out no product, or received any new orders during Sunday. Montgomery Ward peddled nothing since Saturday, yet they will all change prices tomorrow. "Why does this have to happen?" They say "it for the good of the country." Now you tell one. Yours, WILL ROGERS.

The Noted Dead

VIENNA, Austria, Feb. 11.—(AP)—Prince John of Liechtenstein who had governed his principality for 71 years, died at his palace in Troppau today at the age of 88.

Mrs. Roosevelt Dies. CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 11.—(AP)—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, widow of the late President Roosevelt, and her daughter, Mrs. Richard D. Long, arrived here today from Italy in a furious blizzard. They were welcomed by Ambassador Gris.

HOLY SEE AND STATE SIGN PACT

Half Century Estrangement Ended—Papal Secretary and Duce Sign Historical Documents—Independence Sovereignty of Pope Recognized.

ROME, Feb. 11.—(AP)—After more than half a century of estrangement, peace was formally established today between the Holy See and the Italian government, marking one of the most momentous chapters in the modern history of the church and state.

Representing the Vatican and the Italian government respectively, Cardinal Gasparri, famous papal secretary of state, and Premier Mussolini, creator of the fascist state in Italy, placed their signatures upon three historical documents, one a treaty solving and eliminating the "Roman question" which has existed ever since the loss of temporal power in 1870 and the second a concordat designed to regulate the relations of the church and state in Italy and third, a convention settling the financial relations between the Holy See and Italy.

The text of these documents was not made public. It was announced that a synopsis would be given out tomorrow, which is the anniversary of the coronation of Pope Pius.

While the official text has not been made public, it is known that the first "treaty" recognizes the absolute independence and sovereignty of the papist, at the same time slightly recognizing the boundaries of the vatican without any great increase in its actual area. It is understood to provide for the acceptance of vatican law by the state, thus introducing the church attitude on such questions as marriage and divorce into the civil code.

Provides Indemnity. The agreement also provides for an indemnity which the Italian government will pay the vatican. The total amount is about \$27,500,000.

The signing of the documents took place in the famous council hall of the Lateran palace. It was the first time that Premier Mussolini had ever entered the historic structure and he was plainly interested in the various works of art that adorned it. He and Cardinal Gasparri, who arrived at the palace about a half hour apart, greeted each other warmly and exchanged a few compliments on the occasion.

There was a crowd of many thousands outside in the great square, but there was a light rain falling and there was no great excitement.

The Rome newspapers appeared at noon with the first word of the accord which they had printed thus far.



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HERCULES POWDER PLANT DETONATES

HERCULES, Cal., Feb. 11.—(AP)—Three men are believed to have been killed here today when the great plant of the Hercules Powder company blew up. Only one of the four men employed in the plant has been accounted for.