

The Weather
Forecast—Fair tonight and Saturday; heavy frost tonight.
Highest yesterday 56
Lowest this morning 22

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago
Highest year ago today 55
Lowest year ago today 41

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COACH HAS BID FROM U. NEXT YEAR

Callison May Coach Frosh Squads at Eugene—Eldon Jenne of Washington High, Portland, to Have Local Job, if Callison Quits—Players to Follow Prink.

EUGENE, Ore., Mar. 29.—(AP)—Coach Callison, producer of championship football and basketball teams at Medford high school for several years, may come to the University of Oregon next fall as chief coach of the Oregon freshman squads.

Efforts to reach Callison at Medford today were unsuccessful, friends of Callison said he had left town for a couple of days and it was reported that the way on his way to Eugene to conclude final arrangements with the university.

Coach Callison left Thursday afternoon for Eugene by auto, to spend the Easter vacation.

In the event that Coach Callison accepts the university offer, the coachship of the Medford high school will be tendered to Eldon Jenne, coach of the Washington high school of Portland.

Coach Callison feels that in going to the university position he will broaden his horizon, though he does so with the kind regards for this city and its athletic backers.

PRIEST IS SHOT BY FATHER OF ACCUSED BOYS

CHICAGO, March 29.—(AP)—A Roman Catholic priest was shot three times and probably fatally wounded today by the father of two boys whom the priest had arrested for burglarizing his church.

The priest, Father C. A. Erkenswick, pastor of the Church of the Holy Ghost on the West Side, was accosted in the church yard as he talked to several boys by the boys' father, Gaudino Menna, who asked for the head priest and when the minister replied he was in charge of the church, handed him a letter.

As Father Erkenswick started to read it Menna whipped out a pistol, shot the clergyman in the head, and then fired two shots into his back as he fell. Menna fled to his home near the church where police squads armed with tear bombs and riot guns arrested him.

CONGRESSMAN FACES RUM VIOLATION CHARGE

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 29.—(AP)—Congressman M. Alfred Michaelson of the Seventh Illinois district, was indicted on three counts charging violation of the national prohibition laws by a federal grand jury here last October, records on file in the office of the clerk of the United States district court revealed today.

MARKET IS LOOKED AT BY SOLONS

Stock Fluctuations Watched for Effect On Public—Glass Would Dismiss Charles E. Mitchell As Director—Reserve Board Favored to Handle Situation.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—(AP)—Congressional leaders are closely watching the fluctuations of the stock market and their effect on the public.

Senator Glass, of Virginia, a former Democratic secretary of the treasury, has advanced a proposal that the federal reserve board dismiss Charles E. Mitchell, president of the National City bank, as a class A director in the board for supplying money to the stock market this week, when call loans were hoisted to 20 per cent.

Chairman Norbeck of the senate banking committee declared today that he would "leave things to the federal reserve board for the present."

I. C. C. HEARS PLAN RAILROAD NYSSA TO WINNEMUCCA

WASHINGTON, March 29.—(AP)—A project for the construction of 238 miles of railroad from Nyssa, Ore., to Winnemucca, Nev., the latter a point on the Western Pacific, was placed before the Interstate Commerce commission today by the Idaho Pacific Railroad company, a new corporation.

The petition, signed by Robert Phillips of 15 Whitehall street, New York city, said that the Idaho Pacific corporation would finance the proposed construction by sale of stock. It added that the line contemplated would serve to connect northwestern territory with California railroads.

A military purpose also would be served by the proposed line, by providing new non-existent north and south communication in case of a Pacific coast war invasion, it was said. Opportunity to give more data on the proposal was sought.

VIRGINIA VAN WIE HAS GOOD LEAD

SOUTHERN PINES, N. C., March 29.—(AP)—Turning in an \$2 today in the second round of the first annual women's mid-south golf tournament, Miss Virginia Van Wie, runner-up to the national champion, had a lead of five strokes with 102 competitors yet to be heard from.

Out in 41 and back in the same, Miss Van Wie had a total for the two days of 162, with Miss Helen Hicks, star of the recent Florida tournament, in second place with 167.

NATIONALIST TROOPS INFLICT SHARP LOSSES

NANKING, China, March 29.—(AP)—Chinese nationalist soldiers, moving to put down the movement in the Wuhan city of Wupeih, have captured the city of Hsueh, inflicting sharp losses on Wuhan troops there. Wupeih is in Hsueh on the Yangtze River, between the Wuhan cities and Nanking.

WHERE PRESIDENT WILL FISH THIS SUMMER



Fishing tactics learned in many sections of the world will be used by President Hoover this summer on week-end trips to Hunting Creek near Frederick, Md. The creek flows through the 1,500-acre Catocin Manor estate, purchased by Lawrence Richey, one of Mr. Hoover's secretaries.



WIRE AND RADIO SYSTEM FORM GIANT MERGER

New York Herald Says International T. and T. Buys R. C. A.—\$100,000,000 Involved—To Buck Big European Trust

NEW YORK, March 29.—(AP)—The New York Herald Tribune said today that the International Telephone and Telegraph corporation had purchased R. C. A. Communications, Inc., the world-wide wireless system of the Radio Corporation of America. The price was about \$100,000,000.

Negotiations had been under way for some time. The Herald Tribune says the agreement was signed in a suburb of Paris yesterday by Owen D. Young, chairman of Radio Corporation of America; David Sarnoff, vice-president and general manager of the R. C. A.; and Thomas W. Lamont, a partner in J. P. Morgan & Co., for I. T. & T.

The deal makes the International Telephone and Telegraph company the largest international communications system in the world with a comprehensive telephone, telegraph, cable and wireless system extending to the remotest parts of the globe.

FORMAL INQUEST IN FARM TRAGEDY

SALEM, Ore., March 29.—(AP)—The inquest in connection with the double homicide and suicide at Monitor Thursday which resulted in the deaths of Charles R. Stetter and his two young daughters failed to reveal any new angle upon the tragedy and was merely a matter of formality to establish the deaths. The verdict read: "Charles R. Stetter, Gladys Stetter and Charlise Stetter came to their death from injuries received as a result of a dynamite explosion set off by the deceased, Charles R. Stetter, with suicidal and homicidal intent."

PORTLAND MAN HELD ON SERIOUS CHARGES

PORTLAND, March 29.—(AP)—Arrested in Seattle on a charge of driving while drunk, H. L. Calk, former agent for a Portland window and loan association, is to be brought back to Portland by Constable Glass who left to get him today. It is charged that Calk defrauded Miss Lorena Williamson of Pendleton out of \$500, and that he took \$125 from a Vancouver, Wash., woman.

JERSEY WINDS SNATCH BLIMP AT SHED DOOR

Army Dirigible TC-5 Torn From Grasp of Ground Crew and Wrecked—Four Men Aboard Escape Without Injury.

LAKEHURST, N. J., Mar. 29.—(AP)—An army blimp was a tangle of wreckage today as the result of its rude reception by Jersey coast winds while on a visit from Langley Field, Virginia.

The army non-rigid dirigible TC-5 was torn from the grasp of a ground crew of 100 and hurled nearly a mile by a gust of wind that struck it while it was being walked into the hangar.

The fact that the rip cord of the helium bag was in the hands of one of the ground men and was pulled when the dirigible tore away, releasing the gas, probably saved the ship from being blown out to sea and saved the lives of the officer and three men aboard it.

GENERAL ARMENTA FALLS INTO TRAP

MEXICO CITY, March 29.—(AP)—Federal General Armenta who with 300 men crossed the mountains from Sonora to Chihuahua to escape rebels under General Manzo, apparently has fallen into the trap set for him by the rebel leader Carrasco, ex-governor of Chihuahua. This was indicated by advice to Mexico City that General Armenta "has arrived at Chihuahua City" despite government efforts to warn him of Carrasco's desertion to the rebels.

DIRIGIBLE LOS ANGELES QUILTS PLANE SEARCH

LAKEHURST, N. J., March 29.—(AP)—The non-rigid dirigible, Los Angeles, was returned to its hangar today after two nights and a day of fruitless search along the coast between here and Norfolk, Va., for the amphibian airplane in which T. Raymond Pincane of Rochester, N. Y., and three others disappeared last Friday.

OIL AGENTS BLAMED BY HUEY LONG

Charges Against Louisiana Executive Instigated By Standard Oil Is Claim—Spent \$10,000 to Defeat His Tax Bill Is Allegation—Newspapers Flayed.

BATON ROUGE, La., March 29.—(AP)—The Standard Oil company today had been drawn into impeachment proceedings by Governor Huey P. Long who charged its agents instigated the accusations from official misdeemeanors to a plot to murder against which he must defend himself Monday night before the house of representatives sitting as a supreme grand jury.

In a signed statement, Governor Long charged the oil company was attempting "to tear the state wide open and to remove the governor from office who dares to mention that anything can be done with them."

He accused the company of spending ten thousand dollars in opposing his proposed tax on oil, saying "money has turned loose in sluices in Baton Rouge." He denounced the newspapers as Standard Oil publications with their pages covered "with every imaginable lie and vilification."

"This is the third time in my yet young life in which this nefarious corporation has been able to drag me before the bar to fight for my own liberty and political preservation, all just because I fought down the line until they were compelled to submit to right," declared the governor.

"What I proposed was a tax on the business of the Standard Oil company to make and sell lubricating oil and gasoline in Louisiana. That form of tax has been and is now paid by nearly every merchant, doctor and lawyer and by nearly every business in this state. So I proposed that out of the same one hundred millions of dollars made by the oil trust in this state, that they pay the state a wee bit so that we might help these unfortunate human beings who are suffering and dying because we cannot help them and in order that we might give relief to schools that cannot run without some help."

"I had rather go down to a thousand impeachments than to admit that I am governor of the state that does not dare to call the Standard Oil company to account so that we can educate our children and care for destitute, sick and afflicted."

DESK OF DICKENS WORTH ONLY \$25

LONDON, March 29.—(AP)—Charles Dickens' writing desk, on which he wrote all his greatest work from the age of 21 until his death, is worth only an infinitesimal part of the value of the manuscripts written upon it.

Just \$25 was paid today for Dickens' desk at Sotheby's auction rooms, where a copy of the first edition of his novel "A Tale of Two Cities" yesterday brought \$6500.

The sum of \$25 also purchased Robert Burns' lannock toaster, an iron contrivance built to stand on the hearth before a fire and used frequently at the Scottish bard's dinners and festivals.

DUFFY WILL NOT CLOSE SHOW SHOP

PORTLAND, Ore., March 29.—(AP)—The manager of Henry Duffy's local stock company theatre announced today he had received telephone confirmation from Duffy in San Francisco that the Duffy theatre here would not be closed. When Duffy was in Portland last Tuesday he formally announced he would close his theatre here because of difficulty with labor unions. Since that time the labor organizations have cooperated with Duffy in eliminating conditions which in Duffy's opinion, hampered his Portland enterprises.

Apes Raise Nat'l Girl, Is Report Kameruns Trave.

BERLIN, March 29.—(AP)—From an agent of the firm of Kristeller, which has plantations in the Kameruns, comes an account of a native girl brought up by apes. A hunter fired at a group of apes in trees. The one victim proved to be a negro woman. From her lack of customary tattoo marks, it was concluded she had lived with the apes since childhood.

PAPER TO PAY \$410 DAMAGES IN LIBEL SUIT

A circuit court jury this afternoon at 2:25 o'clock, in the suit of Harry C. Young against the Daily News Publishing company, for alleged libel returned a verdict in favor of Young for \$410. Of this amount, \$400 was for compensatory damages and \$10 for exemplary damages. Young sought \$10,000.

The trial lasted three days and was bitterly contested. The court completed its instructions at 12:30 o'clock. The jury retired at 1:20 o'clock, and its deliberations lasted slightly more than an hour.

Attorney Gus Newbury, chief counsel for the defendant, said this afternoon that an appeal would probably be filed by the newspaper.

The verdict carries with it the costs of trial, which will amount to less than \$100.

Spills of the four trainmen murdered in the Skikyou mountains six years ago by three brothers, now serving life sentences in the state penitentiary at Salem, came floating through the circuit court room this forenoon when E. E. Kelly, counsel for the plaintiff in the \$10,000 libel suit of Harry Young against the Daily News Publishing company, pleaded his case in the closing arguments.

The case, which began Wednesday forenoon, was expected to go to the jury this afternoon, following lengthy instructions, covering principally the law of libel, by Judge Norton.

PLAY CRUEL JOKE ON HIGHWAY BODY

PORTLAND, March 29.—(AP)—The state highway commission meeting here today indicated that the Multnomah county grand jury may be called on to investigate a fake bid of \$21,290 for construction of a bridge over the Malheur river on the Central Oregon highway.

H. Van Duzer, chairman of the commission, said the bid was a palpable forgery and that the attorney general had been informed of the case.

AMERICAN GUNBOAT IN CHINA STRIKES ROCK

HANKOW, China, March 29.—(AP)—The new American river gunboat Tutuila struck a submerged rock in the gorge of the upper Yangtze river today, near Wanhien. Two compartments were flooded but ship's pumps controlled the water inflow. She will go to Shanghai for repairs.

LIFE IN CELL FOR BRYANT SAYS JURY

First Degree Murder Verdict Found in Corvallis Trial—Recommend Life Imprisonment—Slayer of Dickerson Owes Downfall to Drink, Testimony Shows.

CORVALLIS, Ore., March 29.—(AP)—Lanza Bryant, 20, Corvallis "hometown boy," who stabbed to death Lewis (Hip) Dickerson, Oregon State College grid star and assistant coach, in a fit of jealousy, today at a convicted of first degree murder and facing life imprisonment.

A jury, which deliberated a little more than six hours, returned a verdict of guilty late last night with a recommendation that Bryant be imprisoned in the Oregon state penitentiary for life. The state had demanded the death penalty.

Bryant stabbed Dickerson the night of December 17, when he accosted the grid star and Mae Troxell, Bryant's alleged fiancée, and an encounter followed. Dickerson, heavier than Bryant, bore him to the ground. Bryant plunged a long pointed butcher knife into Dickerson's side, puncturing a lung. He died four days later.

The verdict brought to a close one of Oregon's outstanding murder trials. Bryant, reared in Corvallis, a little Willamette valley college town, was well known as was Dickerson. The case created considerable excitement in the town and each day of the trial found the courtroom crowded with onlookers.

It was a story of a small town love affair. Testimony brought out at the trial indicated Bryant and Miss Troxell, a pretty brown-haired waitress, had "kept company" for several months. They became engaged. Bryant went to Washington to work and letters followed from Miss Troxell.

When he returned, testimony indicated, he started drinking and more than once the pretty waitress remonstrated.

One night when Miss Troxell feared Bryant, she asked Dickerson to accompany her home. That night Bryant armed himself with a butcher knife and waylaid them. He contended the knife was to be used at a picnic, but Miss Troxell said the knife, according to Bryant, was to be used to "slit somebody's back."

Will Rogers Says: NEW YORK, March 29.—

What do you know about Mr. Hoover having to put a telephone in the office of the president at the White House? Mr. Coolidge has been going down to the corner drug store to telephone. That is Mr. Coolidge, though, John Quincy Adams and Dolly Madison didn't have any, so the thought of putting one in never entered his mind. Here is another angle, too. Maybe he had one in, and took it out with him when he left.

Fifteen congressmen landed here yesterday from a wet port. They only searched one of their baggage and found four quarts and the other 14 claimed immunity, and they shot a woman for having a half pint of homemade wine. Yours,

WILL ROGERS.