

Fair tonight and Tuesday. Highest yesterday 60. Lowest this morning 27.

Highest year ago today 48. Lowest year ago today 33.

Today

By Arthur Brisbane. Man Follows the Seal. Busy Prohibition. London-India by Air. Senators and Finance.

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Sir Hubert Wilkins plans to cross the Arctic in a submarine, under the ice, to map out the depth of water, shape of the basin containing the Arctic, etc.

He would follow cracks in the ice, coming up every 24 hours to recharge batteries.

Thus for thousands of years the seal and walrus have explored Arctic and Antarctic seas. They have known how to keep holes in the ice open all through the winter for breathing and observation. The lower animals show us. We improve on their methods.

Prohibitionists plan to stimulate patriotism and respect for law with illustrated advertising.

One picture will show the pioneer of '49, with his covered wagon, crossing the western desert, beset by Indians. The appeal to patriotism will read, "Are you doing as much for your country as this man did?"

Some wets, perhaps, will reply, "Yes, I am dying of thirst. He did no more than that."

Wets are encouraged by mistakes and misfortunes of the dries. The government's boot-legging accusations against two bone dry congressmen, and the killing of a woman in Illinois by enforcement officials, encourage the wets to organize a drive in the middle west.

Michigan has repealed a stringent state dry law, called the "life for a pint" law, under which an old woman was sentenced to life imprisonment for having a pint of liquor.

Wisconsin will have a referendum next Tuesday on repeal of the state's dry law repeal, and Massachusetts wets plan no less than the repeal of the prohibition amendment, with the aid of lawyers throughout the country.

Wets believe that their time has come, in spite of President Hoover's program of rigid enforcement. It is unwise, however, to forget the great number, not heard from, that are bone dry and will remain so. Dries do not exaggerate when they say that the nation is fundamentally dry.

The British are delighted, with good reason, at the start of their Britain to India air line.

Regular round trip flights began yesterday, from London to Karachi, to be made every week. The London Times calls the inauguration of this air service "a very notable event in the history of British flying."

It is a notable event in the history of the British empire, which becomes smaller, more compact, more easily protected, without losing size or wealth, with air communication. Passengers will pay \$650 fare from London to Karachi. Letters that formerly took two and a half weeks will be delivered in seven days.

Each London to India passenger will be allowed to take as "luggage" 221 pounds, including his own weight.

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NATIONALS SLAY 2,000 CHANG MEN

Troops of Lieu Chen-Nien Inflict Heavy Loss On Attacking Horde - Walled City of Ninghaichow Withstands Ancient War Strategy - Villagers Flee Press Gangs.

CHEFOO, Shantung, China, April 1.—(AP)—Nationalist troops of Lieu Chen-Nien sallied from the walled city of Ninghaichow today and inflicted a serious defeat on the army of Marshal Chang Tsung-Chang, killing more than 2,000 men.

Chang made a determined effort to carry the city by night by the medieval operation of an escalade. While the ladders and hooks were being fixed the attackers met a counter offensive from those inside the wall and most of the severe fighting of the campaign took place.

The situation here is quiet but tense. Thousands of villagers from nearby towns are flocking to the city to escape press gangs who are roving them in outside the city to act as coolies and grave diggers for Chang. Chang is under a reported agreement to maintain quiet in this city itself.

WET FUNDS TO ASSIST DEKING IN RAID PROBE

Association Against Prohibition Offers \$50,000 to Assist Prosecution of Dry Raiders—Mining Man Interested.

LOGAN, Utah, April 1.—(AP)—An offer of \$50,000 has been made to attorneys for the family of Joseph Deking, Aurora, Ill., to assist in prosecution of raiders who shot Mrs. Deking to death, by Orman W. Ewing, Salt Lake broker and mining man, Mr. Ewing announced here.

The proposal, Mr. Ewing said, was made with the consent of other persons in western states interested in the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment.

Reply has been received by Mr. Ewing, he said, indicating that funds are needed, and Ewing said he had already directed his attorney to solicit the funds.

While we deplore the need for publicity in this gruesome case," Mr. Ewing said, "nevertheless, Mrs. Deking's martyrdom may save others a like fate at the hands of the fanatics who have succeeded in setting aside the inalienable rights and guarantees of the constitution."

EASTER STORM HITS MISSOURI; MANY INJURED

ST. LOUIS, April 1.—(AP)—Twenty-two injured, three reported missing and 30 to 40 farm buildings wrecked or damaged was the known toll early today of an Easter storm of upland proportions that cut a swath through rural south-east Missouri early last night. No deaths were reported, but several were in a serious condition.

Searching parties, under direction of the Popular Red Cross chapter, this morning were attempting to make their way over highways strewn with trees and other debris to make a further survey.

Reports indicated that the storm, accompanied by a terrific down-pour of rain and hail, struck at 6:45 p. m. near Hoxie in northern Arkansas and swept north as far as Hismark, Mo., a distance of about 70 miles.

Mrs. Sallie Hill, executive secretary of the local Red Cross chapter, was in charge of the survey in the damaged area.

Loses Family



Mrs. Lucille Stetter, Monitor, Ore., was widowed and her two children killed by her husband's dynamiting himself and the girls to death.

NEXT MOVE IN PORT QUESTION UP TO PEOPLE

Committee Makes Final Review of Need and Possibilities New Air Traffic Facilities—Rely on Medford Spirit.

The imperative need of a class A airport in Medford, that will accommodate any make of air craft for many years that will be officially recognized and used by passenger, express and air-mail lines, has been proven beyond doubt.

The reasons for abandonment of the present field, because it is too small, with no chance for enlargement, owing to the lay of the land, the high-powered electric telephone and telegraph lines in close proximity and because it has been condemned by the government, have been explained.

The location of the proposed new site, three miles north of the city, after careful investigation of all sites by the airport committee and government experts and its being pronounced as ideal by those officials, has been set forth.

The cost of the port has been shown, over the official signature of County Assessor Coleman, to be infinitely small to all taxpayers, especially in comparison with the benefits to be derived by the city and everyone.

The receipts of the port, from companies and all kinds of concessions, rental for buildings and hangars and storage of planes have been estimated by reliable sources to be \$1500 in excess of expenditure for the first year.

The estimated payroll of government employees who will be stationed here, if the port is established, salaries of pilots, mechanics and other employees (not of the port itself) for the first year is \$38,000.

It has been shown that the government will expend in the neighborhood of \$100,000 on a super radio station, upper air weather bureau and beacon lights, all of which have been ordered installed, provided the city builds the airport.

The mayor and city council members have stated over their signatures that the council committee will secure the services of an expert airport engineer, will superintend the construction and will only issue bonds in the amount necessary for the actual expenditures.

The proposition is now up to the citizens of Medford to decide, by their votes tomorrow, whether they are going to maintain the enviable position the city has acquired all over the country for being "air-minded" and progressive and are going to keep pace with the rapid onward march of air development, or whether they are going to give up to their neighbors—who are waiting anxiously for the opportunity—that which is already in their possession.

We believe Medford people will respond tomorrow, as they always have in the past, when propositions of equal importance have confronted them, and will roll up a good majority for the bonds, they serving notice to the world that Medford is to remain on the national air map and become one of the most important airport cities and government terminals on the Pacific coast.

AIRPORT PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

BUTTE, Mont., April 1.—(AP)—Wages of all employees on the daily payroll of the copper mining companies of Butte today were increased 25 cents a day with a prospecting increase for all contract miners. The increase also applies to employees of the reduction works and refining plants of the Anaconda Copper Mining Company at Anaconda and Great Falls.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., April 1.—(AP)—Following a light frost Sunday morning, Coos Bay country was experiencing the first day of real spring today. The thermometer was steadily rising.

SOLON WILL FACE RUM INDICTMENT

Congressman Michaelson of Chicago Surrenders to U. S. Marshal—Morgan of Ohio Refuses Discuss Charges He Imported Liquor—Case Will Be Investigated.

CHICAGO, April 1.—(AP)—Congressman M. A. Michaelson of Chicago, indicted at Jacksonville, Fla., on charges of violating the national prohibition law, surrendered today to Henry C. W. Laubenheimer, United States marshal, on charges of violating the prohibition law at the marshal's office in the federal building was surrounded with secrecy and he was ushered immediately into the office of Edwin K. Walker, United States commissioner to make bonds.

Congressman Michaelson appeared voluntarily at the federal building, apparently without any advance notice of his intention. Before the commission he waived a preliminary hearing, posted \$2000 for his appearance and announced he would go voluntarily to Florida to face the charges against him.

He denied emphatically the charges contained in the indictment, particularly that he had smuggled liquor into Florida from Cuba in a trunk marked "expedite" to hurry it through the customs office without examination.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Representative Morgan, of Ohio, who regards as a closed incident the alleged finding of four bottles of liquor in his baggage when he returned recently from Panama, emphasized his position today, by putting this notice on his office door:

To press reporters: Nothing more to be said.

Morgan has denied that liquor was found in his luggage and customs inspectors at New York have declared with equal emphasis that four bottles were found and were returned to the Ohioan.

When newspapermen telephoned Mr. Morgan, he clung to his refusal to discuss the subject and when informed of a report that the alleged liquor was intended for the wife of a friend of his, he laughed and said:

"I thank you for the information."

NEW YORK, April 1.—(AP)—United States Attorney Charles Tuttle today began an investigation of reports that Representative William M. Morgan of Ohio brought four bottles of liquor into the country a week ago. Representative Morgan has repeatedly denied the truth of the reports.

As soon as he reached his office Mr. Tuttle communicated with H. C. Stuart, assistant collector of the port, and instructed him to send to the federal attorney's office all customs inspectors, agents and other persons having any knowledge of the facts concerning the arrival of Mr. Morgan on the liner Cristobal and the contents of his baggage.

BRYANT SENT UP FOR LIFE TERM OREGON PRISON

CORVALLIS, Ore., April 1.—(AP)—Lanza Bryant, 26, slayer of Lewis (Big) Dickerson, Oregon State college athlete, today was sentenced to a life term in Oregon state prison. Dickerson was stabbed by Bryant December 17, last, and died four days later. Jealousy over attentions to a town waitress was established as the motive for the killing.

Judge G. E. Skipworth pronounced sentence and told young Bryant that his future was to be determined by the manner in which he conducted himself at the prison. The court advised Bryant to study while in prison and to attempt to rectify the mistakes he had made in his past life.

Asked if he had anything to say before sentence was pronounced, Bryant thanked the court, his attorneys and all others connected with the case for the "fair trial" he had had.

A few moments later he was in an automobile on his way to the state prison in Salem.

No request for a new trial or appeal of any kind was made by defense lawyers.

Several of Bryant's brothers and sisters were in the courtroom. His widowed mother, who broke down on hearing the verdict last week, was not present today.

FATHER SLAYS SELF AND DAUGHTERS



Charles R. Stetter, Monitor, Ore., farmer, placed his children on his lap and touched off nine sticks of dynamite under the chair. The wrecked home is shown above.

PRODUCTION AT LONGER SKIRTS O.-O. MILL GOES ON FULL BASIS

Vote to Boost Output Local Lumber Plant—Double Shift Expected Later—Cannery Facing Big Year Is Report.

Spring awakening has come to industries of the city, with preparations for busy days ahead. The commencing tomorrow morning the Owen-Oregon Lumber company will go on a full production basis. A vote of the mill employees was held this noon upon the matter. The plant has been operating on a six-day basis for some time.

Both the pine and the fir logs of the company, in the Little Falls district, are now operating, and will soon be on a capacity schedule.

Work has started on the extension of the crane loading shed, at the local plant. It will be lengthened 150 feet, and will increase the capacity of the shed.

It is expected that the plant will be operated on a double shift during the summer and fall. The starting date will be decided upon later.

Gardeners have started re-making the front yard of the Owen-Oregon office building. The ground is being replowed and refertilized, and will be planted to fancy shrubbery. The garden faces on the Pacific Highway.

According to General Manager James H. Owen, this work is beyond his jurisdiction, and in charge of John S. Owen, president of the company and Mrs. James H. Owen. John S. Owen will arrive the latter part of the month on his annual visit to the plant, and will then inspect the company's holdings in this vicinity and the landscape garden, according to Manager Owen.

The Rogovin River Canning company, founded by the late S. S. Rogovin, expects the best and busiest year in the history of the concern, according to Seth Bullis an official thereof. The advance orders for canned cherries and pears, are the heaviest yet enjoyed, and Manager R. U. Bontelle, manager of the cannery, is making arrangements for early start, in order to fill the demand.

The machinery of the plant is now being put in shape for the season's run.

MYRTLE CREEK SCHOOL DESTROYED BY FIRE

ROSEBURG, Ore., April 1.—(AP)—The two-story brick school house at Myrtle Creek was destroyed by fire early today. The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin.

Several recent fire losses have caused Myrtle Creek to believe a fire-bug is at work in the vicinity. The school house loss is estimated at \$50,000 with \$27,000 insurance.

School will be held in two church buildings.

Mail Tribune to Give Returns On Airport Election

The Mail Tribune will give the people of the city and county the result of the airport bond election tomorrow evening as fast as the votes are counted.

These returns will be given over KMED and also at the Mail Tribune office. The first partial returns should be in by 8:30.

MYRON HERRICK U. S. ENVOY TO FRANCE IS DEAD

End at 4.10 P. M. Sunday—Heart Attack Closes Career in 75th Year—French Nation Mourns Passing War Time Friend

PARIS, April 1.—(AP)—France will render military honors to the late Myron T. Herrick, American ambassador, on Thursday and then will send the body of the beloved American back to his homeland aboard the newest and fastest French liner, the Tourville.

It is likely that Premier Poincaré, who delivered the funeral oration over the body of Marshall



Myron T. Herrick.

Foch, will perform the same office over Ambassador Herrick's body at the American embassy before it is taken to the American pro-cathedral on Thursday for services.

The time of the Tourville's departure has not yet been fixed.

PARIS, April 1.—(AP)—France today mourned the death of another of the men who helped it through the dark and rocky days of the war.

United States Ambassador Myron T. Herrick was another nation's son, but this country felt the loss almost as though he were her own.

It remembered how, when in 1914 German armies knocked at the gates of Paris and the government fled to Bordeaux, he himself refused to leave his post, though warned he might be killed.

"There are times when a dead ambassador might be on more service to you than a live one," he told them.

More recently they knew him as the man who took a hero, Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, and piloted him among them after his splendid exploit of the air.

Death came to Ambassador Herrick yesterday at 4:10 p. m., after a sudden swift heart attack that left him within an hour lifeless, but with a smile on his lips, on his bed at the embassy. He was 75 years old.

Shortly afterward Premier Raymond Poincaré told Colonel T. Bentley Mott, assistant military attaché at the embassy, "Anything that the French government can do shall be done. Ambassador Herrick's family may ask anything they please and it shall be done."

French newspapers appeared today with fitting headlines, "France Has Lost One of Her Greatest Friends." Columns were devoted to eulogies.

A long procession of automobiles brought distinguished Frenchmen from all walks of life together with Americans residing here, to sign the embassy register and express condolence. Madame Foch personally telephoned the ambassador's daughter-in-law, Mrs. Pamela Herrick. General John J. Pershing was another caller.

Nation's Tribute.

President Gaston Doumergue immediately after he was informed of the ambassador's death entrusted a message of condolence on behalf of the nation to Admiral Vedel, General Lanson and Jules Michel, head of his civil cabinet, who called at the embassy to deliver it.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—The death of Ambassador Myron T. Herrick all work has focused upon President Hoover and Secretary Stimson a number of problems in the selection of a successor, which they had hoped not to have to consider for some time.

The Paris post is regarded as one of the most important in the diplomatic service, and the new administration had considered it satisfactorily filled because of Mr. Herrick's known desire to stay there, for a while longer at any rate.

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AIRPLANES AID REBELS TO VICTORY

General Escobar Claims 400 Federals Slain—1000 Prisoners Taken in Battle Near Escalon Sunday—Government Troops Demoralized Is Claim—Fight All Day.

MEXICO CITY, April 1.—(AP)—12:30 p. m.—Heavy fighting between federal and rebel forces in the region of Jimenez, which had been under way since sunrise today, was reported to the presidential palace at noon.

JUAREZ, Chihuahua, Mexico, April 1.—(AP)—Aided by 15 airplanes, Mexican rebels actively led by their commander, General Jose Gonzalo Escobar, today claimed to have won an initial victory in a 10-hour battle near Escalon Sunday in which 400 federals were reported killed and 1000 taken prisoner.

The rebels moved into the territory around Escalon Saturday night, it was reported, and engaged the federal command about noon Sunday, fighting until nightfall. Today a rebel detachment is said to be pushing fleeing federal troops toward Torreon.

General Escobar indicated that he would remain at Escalon today, but would start south tomorrow, on the heels of what he characterized as demoralized government troops.

Among the federal officers reported killed in the encounter, described as "the initial battle of the campaign" was general Eulogio Ortiz. General Escobar, in his report related that he participated in the engagement operating in a machine gun in two clashes. In the first he worked the gun from the top of a railroad car, and in the second a counter attack by federals, he handled the piece from the center of the railroad tracks, facing the center of the approaching federal lines, he said.

Two surprises were accredited by the federal commander, with having brought his troops victory. Federal troops were reported to have reached Corralitos, north of Escalon, yesterday. The rebel general said that his march toward Escalon had not been expected and consequently the government troops were not prepared for it. The second surprise came from the air, he said, when 15 rebel planes appeared over the battle field in the midst of the fight.

FORMER ASHLAND MAN IS KILLED IN UTAH

OGDEN, Utah, April 1.—(AP)—Ernst Von Thelen, 49, a bookkeeper employed in Salt Lake City, was killed by a locomotive on a crossing at Riverdale today as he left home in an automobile on the way to his work.

His wife saw him killed as she waved goodbye. He was a member of the Elks lodge at Ashland, Ore.

Will Rogers Says:

NEW YORK, April 1.—This week's Nobel prize goes to Banker Charles Mitchell for digging up that 25 million when the boys was just going over the falls. He helped out the small investor, for 25 million would be no good to a big one. Congress wants everybody to go broke just to prove they are right.

See where the British embassy landed 10,000 cases at Baltimore. That's just enough to tide 'em over for the week-end till a shipment worth while shows up.

Siam embassy got in two truck loads the other day. That's a lot of nourishment for a couple of twins. I would rather own an embassy than to own a country.

Yours, WILL ROGERS.