

WOMAN FAINTS IN COURT AS JUDGE GRANTS FREEDOM

CHICAGO, April 30.—(AP)—Once convicted and sentenced to be hanged for murder, Mrs. Catherine Cassler, a middle-aged mother was freed today after a three year fight carried on from her prison cell.

The woman collapsed before the judge's bench when informed the state had agreed to dismiss her case which was brought before the court today on a motion for a new trial.

The state, in announcing it would not prosecute a new trial, said the murder of William Lindstrom, for which Mrs. Cassler, Mrs. Lillian Fraser and Loren Patrick were convicted, had been avenged by the death of Mrs. Fraser who died last month while serving a life term in the state prison. Patrick is serving a life term, but Mrs. Cassler had been sentenced to death as the alleged plotter of Lindstrom's death to collect his insurance.

Patrick, it was charged at the trial, was hired by the two women to beat Lindstrom to death. He turned state's evidence and testified against Mrs. Cassler. She was one of the few women ever given the death sentence in Cook county.

ARREST RINK MANAGER 14 TIMES IN 13 HOURS

PORTLAND, Ore., April 30.—(AP) George Distel, manager of a roller skating marathon which was broken up by police Sunday, established a record for himself that is likely to hold for some time. Between 12:15 a. m. and 1:15 p. m. Sunday Distel was arrested 14 times and paid \$2000 bail.

At 12:15 a. m. he was arrested on a charge of operating without a license. An hour later he was arrested again on the same charge, and bail was set higher. At 2:15 a. m. he was again taken into custody and put up more bail. After that arrests were made at half-hour periods, with bail being increased each time. By 1:15 p. m., yesterday he had established a marathon record of 14 arrests in 13 hours.

HAINES SUIT AGAIN THROWN OUT COURT

PORTLAND, April 30.—(AP)—Federal Judge Bean today for the third time, threw out the suit of Will H. Haines against the Portland National bank, the Pacific Bancorporation, and directors of both organizations. Twice previously Judge Bean had sustained objections to complaints filed by Haines. The court in each case gave Haines permission to amend his complaint.

Haines, former president of the Portland National bank, seeks to restrain the bank and Bancorporation from merging.

Brazen Bandit
LOS ANGELES, April 30.—(AP)—While hundreds of pedestrians walked by unaware, a robber who threatened to kill him, pushed a gun against the back of J. C. Koolman, a bank messenger, and snatched his money bag, escaping with \$12,000, on a downtown street today.

BEAUTY QUEENS MEET IN MANILA



Mary Catherine Campbell, Miss America of 1926, and Miss Paz de los Reyes y Ongalaco, Miss Philippine of 1929, were introduced to each other when Miss Campbell visited the islands as a tourist.

SEX WRITER FINED IN FEDERAL COURT

NEW YORK, April 30.—(AP)—Mrs. Mary Ware Dennett, convicted of sending obscene matter thru the mails, today was fined \$300 by Judge Warren B. Burrows in federal court in Brooklyn. She was paroled in custody of her attorney until Thursday, pending the filing of an appeal and posting of bail.

The conviction last week of Mrs. Dennett, who could have been fined \$10,000 and sentenced to five years imprisonment, was based on distribution of her pamphlet, "The Sex Side of Life," which she said she wrote 14 years ago for the guidance of her two sons. She is 53 years old.

The pamphlet had been distributed for more than 10 years by the Y. M. C. A., churches and social organizations, and had the endorsement of many educators, editors and social workers.

WILL SAVE HUMAN FOOTPRINTS IN ROCK

PIERRE, S. D.—(AP) Medicine rock, the huge limestone boulder in which strange footprints appear, will be preserved by the South Dakota Historical society.

Mrs. Agnes B. Whitlock has given the 160-acre tract in which it stands to the state. Indians believed that the footprints were made by the Great Spirit, and the Sioux frequently held ceremonies at the rock and buried gifts by it before entering battles. Some authorities say the tracks may have been made by pre-historic men. Others believe they were cut in the rock by some ancient Indian.

There are five impressions, each a good likeness of the imprint of a human foot.

Confirm Judges
WASHINGTON, April 30.—(AP)—The senate late today confirmed the nominations of seven federal judges, including the three additional ones for the southern district of New York.

NAMELESS TRUCK FILLING TANKS OF ROSE CITY PUMPS

PORTLAND, Ore., April 30.—(AP)—An element of mystery entered Portland's gasoline price war today. A large red truck, unidentified by any trade-marks or inscriptions, made the rounds today filling tanks of gasoline dealers who have torn up their contracts with the large oil distributors. A. T. Kurtz, president of the Portland Retail Gasoline Dealers' Protective Association, said the nameless red truck will sell to all those who have revolted.

Many service station operators here have destroyed the contracts, declaring the major oil companies have been selling to commercial accounts and to farmers at a rate from four to two cents lower than that charged the filling stations.

A fleet of five gasoline trucks invaded the field yesterday from Seattle, Kurtz said. The Seattle owner of the trucks notified Kurtz that he was ready to start dispensing gasoline to any or all Portland dealers. The name of the company supplying the fuel was not given, nor was the location of the source of supply.

PORT ORFORD PIONEER LOUIS KNAPP PASSES

PORT ORFORD, Ore., April 30.—(AP)—Louis Knapp, 86, the oldest pioneer in Port Orford, died here yesterday. He came here in 1859 and had lived in this section ever since.

Mr. Knapp was one of the best known pioneers in Oregon. He entertained at the Knapp hotel nearly all the early travelers of stage coach days who went from Coos Bay south through Curry county. He was the oldest active hotel keeper in Oregon. The Knapp hotel was opened more than half a century ago and is still in operation.

Mr. Knapp leaves three sons, Louis Knapp, Jr., joint representative to the Oregon legislature from Coos and Curry county; Morris Knapp and Lloyd Knapp of Reedsport.

GRAF ZEPPELIN FLIGHT TO U. S. STARTS MAY 15

FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, Germany, April 30.—(AP)—The next flight of the dirigible Graf Zeppelin to the United States was definitely set today for May 15.

Broccoli Ending
ROSEBURG, Ore., April 30.—(AP)—The last of the carload shipments of broccoli from this district is expected to be made this week. Sixty-eight cars have been shipped to date, with indications that there will be five more. The season is now nearing a close.

REMOVABLE MOTOR DUMPED IN WATER

ALAMEDA, Cal., April 30.—(AP)—Road Vowles, air pilot, pulled a lever as his plane circled high over San Francisco bay and the motor of his ship fell out and splashed into the bay. Then Vowles glided to the Alameda airport and nosed over. Vowles was testing a new type plane with a removable motor.

EVICT HOME OWNERS IN RUSSIA TO MAKE SPACE FOR LABORERS

MOSCOW.—(AP)—All home owners and those families whose income exceeds \$1500 a year are to be evicted from their dwellings by October 1 unless they belong to a few exceptional categories, says a law recently enacted by the soviet government. The housing space thus gained is to be placed at the disposal of laborers.

Exceptions to the new regulation embrace in the first place those who had been laborers up to the time of the revolution and who are now living on working class wages. Those whose dwellings do not contain more than 115 square meters of floor space will also be spared the eviction process.

Other exceptions include former owners now receiving remuneration from the government, heroes of labor, members of the academy of sciences and veterans of the civil war. All active scientists, technicians, artists and professors and instructors in the leading universities will also escape the edict.

The government explains that October 1 was fixed as the limit for the order to take effect so that the evicted persons might have time to build new homes. But they must use their own money in erecting fresh dwellings. A proposal was made that men and women deprived of their votes because of varying degrees of political irregularity should also be ejected from their habitations. But the government frowned upon this plan and issued a special statement to make clear that disfranchised voters, as such, would be saved the trouble of moving.

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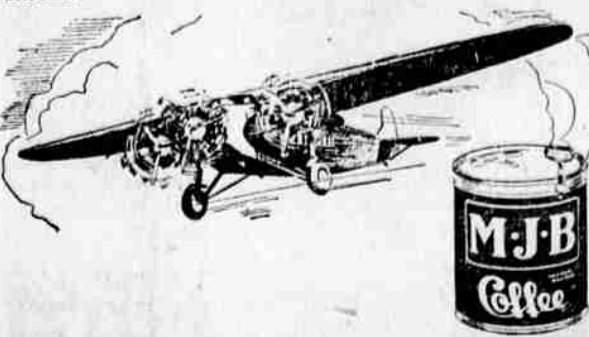
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COOLIDGE SEES NO PEACE BY SWORD

PHILADELPHIA, April 30.—(AP)—Writing in the May issue of the Ladies Home Journal, former President Coolidge says "men will not long recognize the sword as the major source of authority." "So long as there is evil in the world," he continues, "armies and navies will be required for domestic and international police service, but peace will never be made permanent by fear alone. It must have a main foundation of justice and good will strong enough to satisfy the reason and conscience of humanity."

FRENCH FOREST FIRE SETS OFF OLD SHELLS

MULHOUSE, France, April 30.—(AP)—The noise of buried shells buried during the war in the old battlefield of Hartmann-Willerskopf has marked the progress of a great forest fire which has already de-

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