

Today

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Yes, Quite Prosperous. Gold and Credit: The Church and School. The King Returns.

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Those that read the Hoover report of extraordinary American prosperity constantly increasing will ask "How long can it last?"

It can last indefinitely, unless our supply of common sense gives out.

The President Hoover report declares that this country has not more than "scratched the surface of its gigantic possibilities." Write that on your cuff, and don't sell things short in this country.

American money and American credit are SUPPOSED to be upheld by a certain amount of gold.

Nobody knows anything about money or its history. Bankers, perhaps, less than anybody else. They were much opposed to the Federal Reserve banking system when it was proposed. Later they decided that it was a blessing.

Now they adopt it, since it assists them in the profitable practice of 15 and 20 per cent usury.

Mr. Ayres, authority of a big Cleveland banking concern, is amazed at the weight of credit that a little gold can bear.

In 1924 we had four and a half billions in gold, supporting a bank credit of forty-five billions—ten to one.

In 1925 the gold supply amounted to 9 per cent of our bank credit. In 1927 it fell to 8 per cent and last year to less than 7 per cent. Now the percentage is lower than it ever was.

The fact, of course, is that gold is merely an idea—like an African witch doctor's fetish. The real thing back of credit is the wealth of the United States in lands, resources, factories, people—NOT gold.

In connection with recognition of the pope's temporal sovereignty, in Italy, there has been discussion as to control of schools. The matter was settled, for the Vatican, by the pope's address to the pupils of Mundragone College, published in the "Observatore Romano."

The pope, according to the Associated Press, holds that the education of the young is the responsibility of the church, not of the state, and the pope does not relinquish the church's "precious charge held for centuries."

It is believed that his positive statement may cause differences of opinion in the ranks of the Fascisti.

King George has returned to his favorite residence, Windsor castle, with years of life promised by doctors. Loyal subjects turned out to cheer their king. Newspapers print his picture headed "Long to Reign Over Us."

The idea that men do not want to be ruled is a mistake. To be ruled is exactly what they DO want, and to be freed from the responsibility of self rule.

It is painful for a dog to walk on its hind legs, painful for human beings to rule themselves and think for themselves.

"Everybody is in the market." That is almost literally true. The (Continued on page 4, 2nd section.)

ANNOUNCE MERGER OF BUS LINES

Three Key Transport Companies Form Capitalized at \$30,000,000—Pacific Coast Lines Include Yellowway, Pickwick, Southern Pacific, Oregon and Pacific Stages

CHICAGO, Ill., May 17.—(AP)—Consummation of a merger of three key motor transport companies controlling stage lines in nearly every state and representing a capitalization of \$30,000,000, was announced today.

The merger will bring together, through an exchange of stock, the Greyhound lines operated by the Motor Transport corporation, with headquarters in Chicago; the Yellowway systems, with offices on the Pacific coast, and the Pickwick stages, with general offices at Los Angeles.

Pacific coast operations of the new company will be controlled by Pacific Transportation Securities, Inc., and will include lines in Oregon and California formerly operated by Yellowway, Pickwick stages, Southern Pacific Motor Transport company, Oregon stages and Pacific stages, and lines from Los Angeles to El Paso and San Francisco to Salt Lake City. One-third ownership will be held each by the Motor Transit corporation of Chicago, the Pickwick corporation and the Southern Pacific company.

All the companies involved will retain their individual identities, but will be operated under combined control.

ALLIES SEEKING AGREEMENT ON REPARATIONS

PARIS, May 17.—(AP)—The reparations experts of the creditor nations today were studying the proposed text of the committee's report with the German conditions preparatory to a full discussion among themselves later in the day. Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, head of the German delegation, remained at his hotel pending an agreement between the allies and the American representatives, but one of the German experts called at the headquarters of the committee just after noon with a response to inquiries as to the meaning of some of the phrases in the German conditions.

The principal opposition to the annuities suggested by Owen D. Young, is now coming from the Belgians and Italians, but all the creditors found what they held to be objectionable features in the German conditions.

POLANDERS PERISH IN BLAZE AT IWIE

LONDON, May 17.—(AP)—The Exchange Telegraph company dispatches from Warsaw today said more than 100 persons were burnt to death in a huge fire at Iwie, Poland.

WARSAW, Poland, May 17.—(AP)—More than 4000 persons are homeless and destitute as a consequence of the burning of almost the entire township of Iwie, on the eastern frontier of Poland.

STEEL CORPORATION INVADERS PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Ore., May 17.—(AP)—George W. McMath, industries committee chairman of the chamber of commerce announced today that the Steel Corporation of California has purchased a site in the Guild's industrial district on St. Helen's road and will begin at once the erection of a plant 40,000 square feet in area. The initial investment will be about \$125,000 and the plant will employ from 40 to 50 men.

Bank President Suicides OKMULGEE, Okla., May 17.—(AP)—The American National bank of Okmulgee, whose president, Tom King, shot and killed himself last night, failed to open its doors today.

GRAF WINS BATTLE FOR SAFE BERTH

Crippled Dirigible Battles Heavy Storms Over France to Mooring Mast at Cuers, France—Nine Hours Spent in Struggle With Mistral Wind of Rhone Valley.

CUERS, France, May 17.—(AP)—The trans-Atlantic air liner Graf Zeppelin, after an all day struggle against storms, landed here at 8:35 o'clock tonight (2:35 p. m. E. S. T.).

The big dirigible was safely brought to earth beside the only landing mast in France. It was the same which had served to moor the French dirigible Dixmude, lost in a storm over the Mediterranean sea nearly six years ago.

EIGHTY PER CENT CLINIC SURVIVORS MAY PERISH SOON

CLEVELAND, May 17.—(AP)—Fear that eighty per cent of the surviving victims of the Cleveland Clinic disaster will die in a few days from the effects of the poison gas they inhaled was expressed today by Harry L. Rockwood, city health commissioner and concurred in by a number of doctors and chemists.

The exact number of persons who inhaled the deadly fumes came from burning X-ray films and other chemicals is unknown, but doctors estimated there were at least 100 besides those who already have died.

If Rockwood's fears prove true, eighty more deaths will be added to the present total of 125.

FRIENDS OF S. P. WOULD INTERVENE

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—(AP)—Action by rail shippers along the Southern Pacific and its subsidiary lines toward intervening before the Interstate Commerce commission to oppose application of the Great Northern and Western Pacific railroads for permission to construct a line from Oregon into California, was taken today.

The Good Railway Service association, said to have members from California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Nevada, held a meeting here today and adopted a resolution to oppose the line. Edwin O. Edgerton, former president of the state railroad commission, presided.

Baseball Scores

Table with columns for National and American leagues, listing teams and scores.

MR. COOLIDGE ASSUMES NEW ROLE



It is now "Calvin Coolidge, director of the New York Life Insurance company." The former president is shown with Darwin Kingsley, president of the company, at the meeting at which Mr. Coolidge was formally elected.

CHET HUBBARD, RALPH BAILEY ELECTED O.S.C. AIRPORT HEADS DISCUSS PLANS FUTURE SAFETY

Two Medford Men Gain Office in Close Vote at State College—Independent Party Elects Student Body President. National Convention Hears Prediction Increase of 100,000 Private Planes Next Two Years—Many Port Problems.

CORVALLIS, Ore., May 17.—(AP)—Ransom Meinke of Corvallis was elected president of the associated student body of Oregon State college, and Carl Totten, Days Creek, was elected editor of the Daily Barometer in the second student body election here yesterday, made necessary by throwing out the ballots in the first vote because of irregularities.

The vote again was extremely close with victories split between the two rival parties. The associated fraternity-sorority party however, won five more major offices than it did in the first election, and lost one minor office. Votes cast numbered 2850.

In the class elections the associated party won every office over the independent red-fraternity party. Chester Hubbard of Medford won the senior presidency by a single vote over Henry Deboest of Corvallis.

The result of the student body election, classified by parties, follows: Associated party: Carl Totten, Days Creek, editor Barometer; Dorothy Crawford, Oregon City, secretary; Harone Boone, Corvallis, first vice president; Hester Davis, Salem, second vice president; Ralph Buerke, Corvallis, Paul Torek and Elayne Seering, Portland, members. Greater Oregon State committee: Milton Leishman, Baker; Heyman Ludwig, Corvallis; William Bruce, La Grande, and Joe Mulligan, Portland, members of Co-op board.

Independent-red party: Ransom Meinke, Corvallis, president; Harold Ewalt, Estacada, third vice president; May Johnston Birkenfeld, Ralph Bailey, Medford, and Delmar Brown, member of Co-op board; Ronald Johnson, president Memorial Union.

The election was closely supervised by faculty representatives and the strictest secret method was used in balloting. President W. J. Kerr of the State college declared void the previous election after a committee had discovered what it termed "gross irregularities" in the balloting.

SEATTLE PASTOR TO BE UNFROCKED

TACOMA, Wash., May 17.—(AP)—Rev. Frank Lindblad of Seattle will be unfrocked and stripped of all ministerial rights and privileges when his case is presented before a meeting of the western states leaders of the Assembly of God in San Francisco next week, the Rev. Frank Gray, northwest district superintendent of the denomination declared here today.

AL'S VISIT IN PHILLY CUT SHORT

Scarface Capone and Bodyguard Given Short Shrift in Quaker City—Concealed Weapons Bring Sentences of Year in Prison Soon After Arrival From Resort City.

PHILADELPHIA, May 17.—(AP)—Scarface "Al" Capone and Frank Cline, Chicago gangsters, sentenced to one year for carrying concealed deadly weapons entered Moyamensing prison at 12:50 p. m.

Before he was sentenced, Capone told Director Schofield of publicity public safety that he had just fixed up a "peace pact" between rival bootlegging gangs of Chicago ending the war which has resulted in wholesale killings by gunmen.

PHILADELPHIA, May 17.—(AP)—Alphonse (Scarface) Al Capone, and Frank Cline, his reputed bodyguard, were indicted, placed on trial and sentenced to a year's imprisonment here today, a little more than twelve hours after they had been arrested charged with carrying concealed deadly weapons.

The sentence of the court was the maximum prison terms under the law. Capone and Cline arrived here yesterday from Atlantic City. Last night they were picked up leaving a motion picture house by two Philadelphia detectives who were looking over theatre crowds for suspicious persons. They did not resist arrest and were taken to the central police station in city hall where they were charged with carrying concealed weapons after a .38 calibre pistol was found on each.

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OREGON MILLS IN UTAH MERGER TO SAW WHITE PINE

ODGEN, Utah, May 17.—(AP)—Announcement of the organization of a \$2,000,000 corporation involving important lumber interests of Oregon with headquarters at Odgen was made today by M. S. Eccles announced that the corporation will cut between 50,000,000 and 60,000,000 feet of white pine lumber annually.

URGE LIVESTOCK RATE BOOST WESTERN AREA

WASHINGTON, May 17.—(AP)—A revision of railroad freight rates on livestock in western territory, which would involve some general but slight increases, was recommended today to the interstate commerce commission by agents who have completed an investigation into existing schedules.

The commission assigned the report for oral argument here July 10. "Livestock in much of the western district is not at present bearing its fair share of the transportation burden of its new scales," the report said.

ADJUTANT GENERAL OF TENNESSEE ARRESTED

ELIZABETHTON, Tenn., May 17.—(AP)—Adjutant General W. C. Boyd of Tennessee was arrested here today on a warrant charging "aiding and abetting an attempt to commit murder" sworn out by Evelyn Heaton, a striking textile worker injured yesterday by an automobile that dashed through a group of picketers who blocked the road. He was released on \$1000 bond.

A warrant also was issued for Joe Calhoun, driver of the car that struck Miss Heaton, and a deputy left for Jonesboro, where he was taken yesterday for safekeeping. Art Dealer Dies. KANSAS CITY, May 17.—(AP)—Conrad Hug, 59, Kansas City art dealer, whose testimony figured prominently in the recent half million dollar "La Belle Ferroniere" portrait damage suit in New York, died here today.

Says I'm Guilty



Mrs. Eva Hablen SONORA, Cal., May 17.—(AP)—Mrs. Eva Brandan Rablen, 32, accused of poisoning to death her war veteran husband, Carroll, at a Tuttle town dance April 27, pleaded not guilty to a charge of murder when she was arraigned before Superior Judge J. T. B. Warne here today. Judge Warne set the trial for June 30.

The courtroom was thronged with spectators as the so-called "mail order bride," formerly from Quannah, Texas, entered on the arm of her attorney, Charles Vance. The proceedings were brief.

SEND PLAN TO CONFERENCE BY VOTE OF HOUSE

WASHINGTON, May 17.—(AP)—The house today voted to send the farm relief bill carrying the disputed export debenture plan to conference for conciliation of the differences with the senate.

The house Republican leadership decided to waive what they contended constituted an invasion of the constitutional rights of the senate so that the bill could be sent to conference immediately and thereby materially expedite final action of farm relief legislation. As a result of the house's action the bill now is placed in the hands of a conference committee, composed of members of both the house and senate.

House Republican leaders are hopeful this conference group will decide to eliminate the debenture plan.

The house voted 249 to 119 to send the measure to conference.

WALLA WALLA AIR STUDENTS CRASH

WALLA WALLA, Wash., May 17.—(AP)—Two aviation students were killed today when a plane, owned by the Walla Walla Airways company, crashed from 1500 feet. The dead: Elvin Cassell of Hammer, Wn., and Allen O'Mara, believed to be from Athena, Ore.

The plane was demolished. It carried no other passengers. Officials of the company refused to discuss the accident or to venture an opinion as to its cause until an investigation was made.

TOLEDO CASHIER GETS FOUR YEAR PEN TERM

PORTLAND, May 17.—(AP)—B. L. Holman, 35, former cashier of the First National Bank of Toledo, Ore., was today sentenced to four years at McNeil island after he pleaded guilty in federal court to misapplication of \$1000 in bank funds.

The specific charge on which Holman was indicted was the \$1000 theft, but he was said to have absconded with several thousand dollars over a one-year period. He was arrested recently at Los Angeles. He is married and has two children.

The Noted Dead

BERLIN, May 17.—(AP)—Lilli Lehmann, famous opera singer, died today at the age of 81. Find Body Eugene Man. MERCED, Cal., May 17.—(AP)—The body of a man identified as Thomas Galen, about 60 years of age, formerly of Eugene, Ore., was found in a lot near the Golden State highway, near here this morning.

GROCCER IN FLORIDA IS MOB VICTIM

Bullet Riddled Body Found in Ditch—Taken From Jail Early Today—Had Altercation With Police Chief—Wife Who Instituted Gun Play Dies of Bullet Wounds.

LAKE CITY, Fla., May 17.—(AP)—N. G. Romey, a grocer, was taken from the jail here by a mob early today and lynched. The man was arrested last night after an altercation with police during which Chief of Police John E. Baker was wounded and Mrs. Romey was wounded fatally.

Romey's body, containing many bullet wounds, was found by a farmer, sitting upright in a ditch on the Columbia road.

Romey's trouble with the authorities started yesterday when Chief of Police Baker told him that he would have to clean up some rubbish in front of his store.

Shortly afterward, according to Judge Guy Gilmer, Romey telephoned Chief Baker and told him he had placed the produce back on the sidewalk and for the officer to "come back and try to make me move it again."

Baker returned to the store and another argument ensued. Mrs. Romey, who joined in the altercation, is alleged to have procured a pistol and fired three shots at Baker, one of which broke the officer's shoulder blade.

Chief Baker then opened fire on the woman, wounding her five times. She died in a hospital about midnight. Romey was arrested and placed in jail.

Judge Gilmer said he did not know exactly when the lynching took place, but thought it was about 4 o'clock this morning. A coroner's jury was summoned, but the verdict was not made public.

SEARS ROEBUCK MAY STOCK AUTOMOBILES

CHICAGO, May 17.—(AP)—Sears, Roebuck and company has signed an agreement with Gardner Motors for a joint investigation of the status of the motor car as merchandise and the possibility of large scale production of low priced automobiles in the future for distribution through the Sears, Roebuck channels. General Robert E. Wood, president of Sears, Roebuck, confirmed a report of the contract today.

OREGON 'U' WILL PLAY GATORS DECEMBER 7

GAINESVILLE, Fla., May 17.—(AP)—Athletic Director Charles W. Bachman of the University of Florida announced yesterday that the University of Oregon will meet the 'Gators here in the last game of the 1929 football season, December 7. Approval was received for the game this afternoon from Coach John J. McEwan of Oregon, and contracts will be mailed immediately to close the deal, Bachman said.

Will Rogers Says:

PHILADELPHIA, May 17.—The Zeppelin turned back, trouble with riding on that is if anything goes wrong it's too far to a hitching post. Went over to New York today. See where Police Commissioner Whelan appointed a crime committee of 20 to help him keep a list of the crimes. If they hear of any that he don't, why they report them to him, then at the end of the year the one that has heard about the most crimes gets the prize. Yours, WILL ROGERS.

