

The Weather

Forecast—Part cloudy tonight and Saturday, with showers. Cooler with rising humidity.

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Temperatures

Highest yesterday 85
Lowest this morning 59

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Today

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Chimpanzee and Man. I Would, if I Dared. News of the Air. Ashamed of Their Job.

Professor Eddington, able British astronomer, admits that man with his science cannot pretend to penetrate the realms of religion, or understand God. Quite so.

The chimpanzee peers from his jungle home at the strange white man, unable to understand or explain the strange creature that lights and extinguishes fires, and kills at a distance with a loud noise.

Man, through his telescope, photographs another universe, 100,000,000 light years distant, but cannot understand or explain the power that rules space and time.

He finds ease of mind in the blessed word "relativity," but he cannot explain anything. All that he can do is describe, guess and deny. However, it is his right to investigate and TRY. He is far above the chimpanzee, thanks to evolution.

He may, some day, be as far above his present self. Even then, he will not know much.

New York's Federal Reserve could not quite make up its mind to raise the discount rate to 6 per cent Wednesday.

Some real bankers might be persuaded to replace some of the small financial fish on that reserve board. A financial system that in prosperous times compels business to pay 15 per cent one day and 6 per cent the next, is pitifully incompetent. Some of our financial geniuses should be sent to study the methods of the Bank of France.

Its discount rate Wednesday was 3 1/2 per cent, and money, for borrowers, was abundant at 4 per cent.

A French monoplane planned Wednesday to start a New York to Paris flight and the world is only mildly interested. Flying across the Atlantic is an old story.

Crowds in New York watched a giant bombing plane, taking a fuel supply at flight, five separate times, from a smaller plane. A broadcaster in the machine talked the details to the crowd below.

At Old Orchard, a French Bellanca plane is ready for a non-top flight to Rome.

Over Fort Worth, Texas, a plane has been flying five days, taking fuel in flight.

At 200 miles an hour, which will soon be slow flying speed, that plane in five days could have flown around the earth.

The three greatest industrial powers in America—General Motors, Ford and the National City Bank—are friendly rivals in airplane building. The real flying days are not far away.

At 14 Wall Street an able board of directors will manage a fire insurance company, created by the Protestant Episcopal church to protect its churches and other combustible property.

An elderly colored lady, moving from the brick to the wooden church, after the earthquake, told her inquiring pastor that she believed in the Lord, but did not believe in fooling with Him.

Nothing is more modernist than the lightning rods seen on every church. Why should the

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CAPTURE SPOKANE SUSPECT

Ernest Garner Held in McMinnville—Found Asleep in Auto—Admits Being in Spokane Wednesday Night—Copper Wire Found in Car—Will Face Victims of Attack.

McMINNVILLE, Ore., May 24.—(P)—The sheriff of Yamhill county today was holding Ernest R. Garner, 51, for questioning in connection with the attack late Wednesday night upon William Johnson and Hazel Huller near Spokane. After shooting Johnson the bandit tied him and the girl, placed them in Johnson's automobile and fired the car.

Garner was arrested at 3:30 p. m. yesterday as he slept in his automobile near Newberg. Earl Nott, district attorney, and Sheriff Manning today questioned Garner in his cell. The man admitted, they said, that he was in Spokane Wednesday night. He said he left Tacoma Tuesday morning. He was driving a small coupe.

In the automobile the sheriff found a quantity of cord and some copper wire, said to be similar to that used by the man who attacked Johnson and Miss Huller. Garner is five feet six inches tall, and weighs about 125 pounds. He says he is 51 years old, but appears to be no more than 40. When arrested he was wearing tan trousers, a dark coat and a dark cap. He has a round smooth face, covered now with a four-day growth of beard.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 24.—(P)—Sheriff Floyd Brower said today he was making preparations to have a man arrested at McMinnville, Ore., as a suspect, brought here to be examined by William Johnson and Miss Hazel Huller, who reported that they were bound and robbed by a bandit who shot Johnson and attacked the girl and left them to burn in their car, which he had fired.

MONOPLANE IS NEARING MARK OF ARMY PLANE

FORT WORTH, Texas, May 24.—(P)—On its sixth day in the air, the cyllian monoplane Fort Worth today was driving steadily on toward the world's endurance record of the army plane Question Mark.

Reg. L. Robbins and James Kelly, pilots of the Fort Worth, passed the 12th hour aloft at 11:33 a. m. and had little more than 30 hours to go to better the Question Mark's time of 150 hours, 40 minutes and 15 seconds.

WIFE IMPLICATES TIJUANA ROBBER

LOS ANGELES, May 24.—(P)—An alleged confession naming Leo Cochran and M. E. Coe as the perpetrators of the \$25,000 holdup of the Agua Caliente and Tijuana company's money car near San Diego Monday, in which two guards were killed, were made to police here today by Cochran's wife, Marie Cochran.

Suspect Indians Tortured Girl As Old Tribal Rite

UKIAH, Cal., May 24.—(P)—Whether the Indians of this district have been invoking a centuries-old tribal custom of torture to drive evil spirits from the persons of their tribesmen was being investigated by government agents today as a result of the death of Katherine Williams, eight years old.

Miss Lucy Keenan, government Indian nurse, announced last night that last night's covering the upper part of the little girl's body had been found shortly before her death in a hospital here.

UNION OF CHURCHES IS FAVORED

General Assembly Presbyterians Recommend Organic Union Five Large Protestant Bodies—Report of Director Urges Newspaper Publicity for Churches

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 24.—(P)—By practically unanimous rising vote, the 141st general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America today adopted a far-reaching recommendation looking towards organic union of five large Protestant church bodies.

The proposal, made on the floor of the assembly, provided for appointment of commissions to consider union, extended by the Protestant Episcopal church, the Methodist Episcopal church, the Methodist Episcopal church, South, and the Presbyterian church of the United States, generally known as the Presbyterian Church, South.

The action was taken in answer to an invitation for a commission to consider union, extended by the Protestant Episcopal church at its general convention in Washington in October, 1928. Similarly the other church bodies have had under consideration the proposal for union for some time, but today's action marks the most active participation in the movement reached by the body meeting here.

ST. PAUL, May 24.—(P)—Newspapers were recommended as the best means of reaching the public, and the use of paid advertising in the press was urged to the churches of the United States, in the annual report presented today to the 141st Presbyterian general assembly of Walter Irving Clarke, national director of publicity for the denomination.

"The business world spends millions for publicity where the church spends dollars," said Mr. Clarke. "The church gets a great deal of reading space in the newspapers as legitimate news. But the church has a message for humanity which it could to advantage express in the large use of paid advertising space. Cities of the United States spend \$6,000,000 a year for publicity to exploit their attractions.

"One single brand of cigarettes of the many brands advertising, appropriated \$12,500,000 for this year's advertising, one half of which is being spent in newspapers alone. The continued experience of regular advertisers demonstrates that newspapers offer the most effective medium of appeal. Pioneers in the use of the radio afford, apart from their advertising budgets accordingly.

The Presbyterian publicity department has faith that some day religion will be adequately advertised, and that the rewards for humanity will reap vast rewards as are now accumulated by less worthy enterprises.

HUMPHREYS BODY BELIEVED FOUND

NORTH JUNCTION, Ore., May 24.—(P)—A body, believed to be that of Lester W. Humphreys, Portland attorney, was recovered from the Deschutes river today a mile and a half below North Junction, between this city and Nathan. Although positive identification had not been made, there appeared to be no doubt but that the body was that of the Portland attorney, who disappeared a week or so ago while fishing in the river.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 24.—(P)—Nearly 500 students in Urbana public schools were on strike today to protest the removal of Michael J. Flannigan, superintendent of schools, who was charged with talking too freely with teachers on sex questions.

NANKING, May 24.—(P)—The nationalist government in Nanking has ordered the arrest of Feng Yu-Hsiang, formerly known as the Christian general as a rebel.

PURSE ATTRACTS FAMOUS DRIVERS TO INDIANAPOLIS



The 2 1/2-mile rough brick speedway at Indianapolis again lures auto racers. The backstretch turn marked with an 'X' is the most dangerous of the four curves. (Inset) Cliff Durant, million-dollar driver, again is seeking America's grand prize race, as is Peter DePaolo (below), winner in 1925.

FT. BRAGG GIRL FOUND DEAD BY SEARCH PARTY AMONG PILOTS

Six-Year-Old Schoolgirl Victim of Attack—Body Is Thrown Across Log—Mute Evidence of Tragedy Found in Clearing.

FORT BRAGG, Cal., May 24.—(P)—A sheriff's posse which had been searching throughout the night for Theresa Johnson, 6-year-old school girl who was reported missing yesterday, found her dead body near a lonely road, twelve miles south of here today. She had been strangled to death, finger marks of her slayer still evident on her throat.

The body had been thrown across a log by the girl's attacker while her schoolbooks and lunchbox were found scattered in a nearby clearing. Footprints and other marks in the road indicated she had struggled desperately to escape.

A rag made out of the girl's cap was stuffed in her mouth which was cut and bruised as from a heavy blow. Preliminary examination by Dr. R. W. Foster indicated, he said, that she had been attacked before life had been choked from her body.

WALLA WALLA OPENS AIRPORT CEREMONY

PORTLAND, Ore., May 24.—(P)—With a stiff tail wind promising swift passage, six airplanes took off from the airport here today in a race to Walla Walla. The planes will participate in an air circus there celebrating dedication of a new municipal airport.

Baseball Scores

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

Casualties of the Air Service

PORT AU PRINCE, Haiti, May 24.—(P)—A U. S. marine corps airplane crashed at Cape Haitien yesterday. First Lieut. Gladden was killed and Lieut. Rhodes, who was piloting the machine, was seriously injured.

ROGUE FISH ARE FACING EXTINCTION

Drastic Steps Needed to Preserve Famous Sport, Game Protective Association Told—Commercial Interests Flaunt Law, Is Claim—Stronger Organization Needed.

If drastic steps are not taken, the fishing industry in the Rogue river and other southwestern Oregon streams will be a thing of the past in the lapse of only a few years, and southern Oregon's famous stream will no longer be known for the fishing that has made it famous throughout the nation, according to lengthy discussions of the commercial fishing problem at the annual Jackson County Game Protective Association meeting at the Hotel Medford last evening, attended by over 200 sportsmen.

The situation has never been so serious and in Curry county, commercial interests are openly flaunting the law and are depleting the streams in that section of thousands of fish, transported by trucks into California, it was declared. From a high record of nearly two million pounds of fish taken from the Rogue river in 1924, the total last year dropped to 231,000 pounds, with indications the total will be even lower this year, only 100 salmon having been caught by a large commercial canner in the Gold Beach section.

These interesting facts were told by Ralph Cowgill, who has been making a survey of the fish situation in Oregon, and by E. W. Gallier, well known Bandon hotel proprietor. For years the average season catch at the mouth of the Rogue river has averaged 500,000 pounds, and it was not until last year that the sudden drop came, said Mr. Cowgill. He declared the Rogue river to be nearly depleted of fish in comparison to conditions existing in former years because of the greed of commercial interests. To bring a 26 pound fish into existence, 130 eggs is the usual proportion used. Only one egg out of 130 reaches maturity.

In speaking of conditions on the river, Mr. Cowgill declared cooperation of the fishing industry has been sought in making the survey, bringing about later remedies for the situation, but the operation was absolutely refused. Fish and game wardens operating in the section have had no easy life, the speaker related, and are practically powerless to cope with the situation. These officers have found tires slashed, automobile engines put out of commission and sometimes filled with syrup.

Conditions are just as bad in other Curry county streams, according to Mr. Gallier. He declared several streams have been depleted by commercial fishermen and said one commercial fisherman had caught 18,000 worth of fish in the last three months, but that another fisherman a short distance above him had only been able to catch \$200 worth, indicating how thoroughly the stream had been depleted.

Curry county, in the belief of Mr. Gallier, is the least populated county in the United States and is a haven for commercial and poaching in large part, as fishing laws there do not meet with 100 per cent enforcement. He declared a small army of game wardens would be needed to rectify the situation, preventing the use of nets in eddies of fishing streams, cleaning each eddy of the fish.

Deplores Situation He suggested the United States government could take an active hand and place the section under his direct care, as it has done in Alaska. He intimated spoiling of the section were not receiving 100 per cent cooperation from the state fish and game commissions and deplored the situation from various angles. Fish are taken from streams by the thousands in defiance of law, while sportsmen of the section stand idly by helpless to prevent the operations. If any one sportsman takes an active interest in an effort to prevent the work, he finds his boat filled with rocks or is soon acquainted with other forms of sabotage.

A remedy for this serious problem was advanced in the proposal of forming a better and stronger sportsmen's organization in Jackson county, more representative of sportsmen interests in this section. Still further strength would be given the local organization by affiliation with the Oregon Game Protective association. A membership fee of three dollars per year is to be charged, one dollar remaining in the treasury of the county association and the remainder going to the state association for dues and for subscription to the association magazine.

However, to bring the money into the treasury actually needed, (Continued on Page Four)

St. Tragedy



Walter J. Finke, Jr. (below) 17-year old Portland High student who shot and killed Herbert Beem, 17, over jealousy of Mildred Knot, 16, high school girl. Finke failed in an attempt at suicide.

ZEP LANDS SAFELY AT HOME PORT

Return From Cuers, France, Without Incident—Drop Wreath in Memory Dixmude Victims—Passengers View Moonlight Panorama—Mrs. Pierce Tired But Happy.

FRIEDRICHSHAFVEN, May 24.—(P)—The Graf Zeppelin returned at dawn today to Friedrichshafen from Cuers, France, where it made an emergency landing just a week ago after turning back near Gibraltar from an attempt to cross the Atlantic.

Aboard the dirigible when it landed here were 14 of the 18 passengers who made the outward-bound trip, and in addition seven French naval officers, invited as



Mrs. Henry P. J. Pierce

the special guests of Dr. Hugo Eckener, the ship's master, in appreciation for French aid in landing his machine in its emergency last week.

A landing crew seized the hawsers the Graf let down and brought it to earth at 5:06 a. m. (11:05 p. m. Thursday, eastern standard time). By 5:30 a. m. the airship was safely in its hulk. The Zeppelin's constructor, Dr. Ludwig Duerer, who was almost grief stricken at the failure of its four motors at the abortive American flight, superintended the ground operations himself.

The Zeppelin cut south to the Mediterranean and dropped a wreath in commemoration of those who lost their lives aboard the Dixmude, turning northward then and passing over Marseilles shortly afterwards. Nearly all the passengers remained at the windows all of last night. Mrs. Mary Pierce of New York arrived fatigued but happy, after having spent most of the night at the windows of the Graf watching the moonlight panorama below her.

MEX. POLICE USE GUNS ON RIOTERS

Students Stage Dramatic Uprising Against Examinations—One Killed, Many Wounded—Firemen Use Axes and Hose to Quell Disturbance—Boy Orator Pleads Peace.

MEXICO CITY, May 24.—(P)—One student was killed and 32 persons wounded, four of them seriously, in a series of highly dramatic riots last night and early today, growing out of the strike of students at the national university law school in protest at monthly examinations.

Police and firemen adopted extreme measures in breaking up the crowds of striking students and their sympathizers. Police fired, firemen wielded axes and played hose. At one place, the national university medical school, the conflict was a veritable battle.

In the midst of the demonstration, which included maltreatment of an effigy of Enrique Padillo, minister of education, police and firemen arrived in force. Efraim Brailo Rosado, Mexico's boy orator, who participated in an oratorical contest held at Washington last year, was asked to go inside and warn the strikers not to leave the building.

Apparently the warning did not arrive in time, for some of the students started out of the building. Then, according to the students' accounts, the police opened fire, fatally wounding one. Students remaining inside barricaded the doors and those carrying pistols returned police fire until their ammunition was exhausted.

Meanwhile those outside had begun a hand to hand conflict with the police. When firemen began to use their axes as weapons, they alleged afterwards, they were forced to adopt extreme measures in their defense.

JAPAN SWEEP BY TORRENTIAL RAIN

TOKYO, Japan, May 24.—(P)—Twelve persons are known to have perished and great damage has been done property and crops by torrential rains which swept over the prefecture of Fukushima yesterday.

More than 5,000 houses were inundated by floods, 35 bridges were destroyed and the railways were damaged at several points. The material losses were estimated at 5,000,000 yen (\$2,210,000). Seventeen fishing smacks also were reported missing.

ALLOT \$400,000 FOR HARBOR AT COOS BAY

WASHINGTON, May 24.—(P)—The war department today allotted \$400,000 for improvement of Coos Bay, Oregon, from the current year's rivers and harbors fund.

Will Rogers Says: Everybody that I hear kicking about the federal reserve is someone trying to make money by speculation. So I about come to the conclusion that the federal reserve might accidentally be working in the interests of the hundred million who don't know a stock from a stockyard. If 1 per cent raise in rate can upset the whole of Wall Street, then they are working on a mighty slim margin. Yours, WILL ROGERS. P. S. If Kate Fogarty had sued Tanney's friend, Bernard Shaw, she would have gotten more publicity, and the same money.