

## Today

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End of the Hurricane? Less Poisonous Whiskey. A Robot Telephone. More Automobiles.

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From a wild gallop, your Wall street friends settled down to a gentle trot yesterday, buying and selling in a day only 3,521,400 shares of stock, as against more than 7,000,000 Thursday and 16,000,000 a few days ago.

There was less "distress selling," which means the kind that a man does because he can't help himself.

Some big men that occasionally know something, believe that the hurricane is over.

But many citizens have learned an expensive lesson.

And a majority of them will pay the same price for other lessons later.

Senator Carter Glass, who has a horror of anything that is not as it ought to be, wants the federal reserve to punish stock gambling.

While waiting for that, it should comfort the senate to know that stock gambling has punished its devotees more energetically than any federal reserve could do.

Commissioner Doran, in charge of prohibition, says "rum poison" will do less harm this Christmas.

Bootleggers, it seems, make their own alcohol, not using so much "denatured" alcohol, in which the government has put poison to keep men from drinking it, the penalty for drinking, as for murder, being death.

It is pleasing to know that fewer people will be poisoned by whiskey specially prepared by government order. On the other hand, the announcement that whiskey is now less poisonous will not help temperance.

Those that could not be kept from drinking by common sense and self-respect could in some instances be frightened by the statement: "Bootleggers' rum is poisonous."

Some "robot" salesmen sell merchandise. Another robot, at a distance, answers questions gives information as to the amount of water in a reservoir, etc.

An airplane recently traveled from Cleveland to Washington, D. C., a robot gyroscopist in charge of the controls until the moment of landing.

Now Mr. Gifford, of the big telephone company, has a telephone that calls out in plain English the numbers dialed. The dial telephone that you have learned to operate can be arranged to tell a central operator what number you want in a voice as clear as that of any phonograph.

It takes a good imagination to suggest something that men can not do.

One foolish statement, born of Wall street's hurricane now subsiding, predicts that because some stocks have dropped the United States will stop buying automobiles.

This country needs at least 5,000,000 new automobiles a year and will buy them.

Twenty-five million automobiles are running in the United States now. Thirty million will be running before long.

The drop in stock values will

## RED'S LEAP NETS ROOK VICTORY 7-6

### McDonald Plays Brilliantly — Fumbles By Frosh at Critical Stages Costly — Last Quarter Drive Gives Callison Crew Touchdown—Miss Extra Point — Former Medford Stars Shine.

The Oregon State College Rooks, with Fred (Cocky) Red McDonald, former Medford high school football star, scoring their lone touchdown, in the second quarter, defeated the University of Oregon Freshman football team, on Van Scoyev field yesterday, 7 to 6, before a crowd of 3500. The first quarter was played in a drizzle.

It was a great day for the red-thatched McDonald. He led the drive for the Rook touchdown, by catching two forward passes. Then when the Oregon line held the Rooks, he snared a long heave from Ramponi for the touchdown, and Little converted.

The Frosh scored their touchdown in the closing minutes of the fourth quarter, after they had turned back the Rooks, when a penalty for roughness had placed the ball on their one-yard line. Fumbles by the Oregon yearlings crushed chances for at least one touchdown.

From behind their own goal the Frosh started their drive for a touchdown. Sensational runs and forward passes, with Watts in the lead took the ball within scoring distance. From the ten-yard line, line plunges took the ball to the two-yard line, for a first down.

Three times the battling Rooks, held the raging Frosh to small gains or a loss. On the fourth down, hands smashed through center for a touchdown. The try for extra point failed with two minutes to play. Watts was forced from the game with a badly injured ankle.

The long distance punting of Ramponi and Davis, gave the edge to the Rooks until the final quarter. Little's offside kicking was marvelous, and some of his boots went for sixty yards.

The fumbles by the Frosh, all of them deep in Rook territory, were costly. Two of them came in the first quarter, with the ball at the Rooks' fifteen-yard line. The muffs, at critical stages, weighed heavily against the Callison crew.

The Rooks kicked off, and the Frosh started with a rush. Garnett reeled off 27 yards around the end, and repeated for 13 more. Watts caught away for a 15-yard dash. Currie smashed the Rook forward wall for consistent gains. With the ball on the three-yard line, the Rooks recovered a fumble and kicked out of danger.

Again Garnett, Currie, and Watts carried the ball down the field, to the shadow of the Rook goal, to again lose it on a fumble. The Rooks after an exchange of kicks, launched their aerial attack that brought them a touchdown early in the second quarter.

The tide of battle, ebbed and flowed the remainder of the period with Rushlow and Watts making long gains, the latter furnishing a couple of spectacular runs. The Frosh offense was not clicking to perfection, though the line opened great holes in the opposing wall. The score at the end of the half was 7 to 6 in favor of the Rooks.

Throughout the third period, the Rooks outplayed the Frosh, aided by the long and perfect kicking of Davis. Garnett returned to the game for the Frosh, and McDonald for the Rooks. Red was smashing through to nab the man with the ball in the first period, but his old teammates held him in check the remainder of the game.

Lacy Moore, former Medford high star, was sent into the fray in the fourth quarter, and made gains, and helped in the Frosh drive.

Watts, until he was forced from the game, was the vital spark of the Frosh attack, and, once he reversed his entire field, for a long gain.

The Frosh in the third quarter, seemed unable to fathom the forward pass attack of their foe, and they gained consistently by this route. The Frosh line twice in the third period, repulsed the Rooks, within the 15-yard line. In this period Bill Bowerman went in for Pack Hughes, as a defensive back.

## ROYAL LOVERS AT BETROTHAL



Princess Marie Jose and Crown Prince Umberto, whose engagement recently was announced, are shown at the Italian embassy in Brussels during the betrothal ceremony.

## AUTOPSY TELLS WALES HOST TO FIENDISH DEATH 320 HEROES OF OF AGED LADY BRITISH WARS

### Brutal Crime First Thought — Suicide — Autopsy to Reveal Grim Facts — Question All Strangers Is Word — A Reward Is Offered.

BREMERTON, Wn., Nov. 9.—(AP)—Mrs. Mary Wager, 79, Bremerton, was criminally attacked before she was clubbed to death. Dr. Paul C. West, Seattle city autopsy surgeon, announced tonight following an operation which he performed on the body here.

The aged woman's skull had been crushed with a blunt instrument, Dr. West said. Several ribs were broken and she suffered internal injuries during her struggle, he disclosed.

The surgeon indicated that an operation would reveal the extent of the beating, which was evident by the disorder in the room where she was found and her torn clothing, and also evidence if there had been a criminal attack before the woman died.

Sheriff John Stanloch has broadcast bulletins to all police in the Northwest to be on the lookout for any strange men who might have been the murderer. The sheriff has asked that police question all strangers as to activities during the past 48 hours. A reward of \$50, for the capture of the murderer has been offered by the sheriff's office.

There was some question in the minds of officials early today concerning whether Mrs. Wager had committed suicide or been murdered, but it was definitely announced that it was a murder. He would say no more about the case, although he indicated that he might have a short report after the autopsy.

## PORTLAND TRUST CONCERNS MERGE

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 9.—(AP)—Merger of the Strong & MacNaughton Trust company, the City Mortgage company and the Union Abstract company, all of this city, into the Commonwealth Trust & Title company, which will take over and enlarge the business of the three institutions, was announced today.

Robert H. Strong, president of Strong & MacNaughton Trust company, who will head the new concern, declared incorporation papers are ready for filing and that the new firm will actively engage in business within a few weeks.

All three firms involved in the merger have been in business here for several years.

## NEW ANGLE IN MOONEY CASE ODD

### Officials and San Quentin Prisoners Place Little Faith In Death-Bed Confession — Probe to Be Asked — Trial Judge Reiterates Belief Perjury Brought Conviction.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 9.—(AP)—The case of Thomas J. Mooney, convicted nearly 13 years ago with Warren K. Billings of responsibility for the ten deaths in the bombing of a "preparedness" parade on Market street, was under official scrutiny again today.

Chief of Police William J. Quinn took notice of nation-wide comment on a deathbed confession said by three persons to have been made six years ago by Lewis Smith, a miner, that he, not Mooney, threw the bomb. The chief announced he would ask formal investigation by Cleveland officials.

Mary E. Gallagher of San Francisco, secretary-treasurer of the Tom Mooney molders defense committee, sponsor of the campaign to free Mooney and Billings, said the organization would not ask the governor to investigate the reported confession unless Mooney himself asked that it be done.

"We feel that for years we have had a complete case establishing the innocence of Mooney and Billings, and do not need additional proof," she explained. "We know that clues pointing to the real criminals were never followed by the prosecution in the case."

City Treasurer Duncan Matheson, who as captain of detectives, conducted the bombing investigation after the tragedy of July 22, 1916, said he now believed Mooney innocent, but added that he placed little credence in the Lewis Smith reports.

Superior Judge Franklin Gelfin, who presided at Mooney's trial and since has joined those seeking his freedom, recommended immediate investigation of the alleged confession.

"No one, so far as I know, has had any idea who set off the bomb," he explained. "No investigation ever went beyond Mooney and the others arrested with him. If any truth is found in Smith's confession it might serve the additional purpose of convicting those people who are still reluctant to believe Mooney innocent."

The jurist added that he now knew that the conviction of Mooney and Billings was based on "prejudiced testimony."

Persons familiar with the bombing case pointed out tonight that Mrs. Dora Stephens' assertion that her brother said he hurled the bomb from a roof, does not correspond with the facts. Charles M. Fickert, now of Los Angeles, who was district attorney when Mooney was convicted, was among those declaring that here had been every indication that the bomb was set off from the ground.

Mooney, in his cell at San Quentin penitentiary, took little interest in the "confession" development.

"It may be true, and it may have been only an hallucination," he commented. "Some day it will come to light who planted the bomb, but that has nothing to do with my case. I am innocent."

## VARSIY SYMBOL DYNAMITED, CITY SHAKEN BY BLAST

EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 9.—(AP)—Hundreds were awakened here early today by a heavy blast which remained a mystery until late today when it was discovered that a portion of the big concrete "O" on Skinner's butte, symbol of the University of Oregon, had been blown away.

Pieces of rock and concrete splintered in various parts of the city following the blast and one piece crashed through the roof of a dwelling, injuring no one but frightening an entire family.

Members of the university student body tonight were making an investigation. It was suggested here that the forthcoming game between Oregon and Oregon State college might have had something to do with the destruction of the concrete letter.

Weather. Forecast for Sunday and Monday, November 10 and 11. Oregon: Partly cloudy Sunday and Monday; no change in temperature; moderate variable winds on the coast.

## SHE SLAPPED LONDON CRITIC



Lillian Foster, American actress, slapped Hannen Swaffer, English dramatic critic, when she met him in a London hotel dining room. She was angered by adverse criticism Swaffer had written of her appearance in the lead in "Conscience."

## FARMERS SAVE FRUIT GROWERS THOUSANDS IN BENEFICIARIES FLAMING PLANE OF FARM BOARD

### Air Mail Lost In Fog Crash — Valuable Securities Taken to Bank — Pilot Injured Will Recover — Heavy Weather on Columbia Menaces.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 9.—(AP)—Forced to fly low by a dense fog which obscured the country, Kenneth Neese, Varney Air Lines pilot, lost control of his plane when his lower wing struck a tall fir tree and crashed into an open field about ten miles east of this city today. At a hospital here Neese was said to be suffering a broken wrist, bruises and severe burns. Physicians said he would recover.

About half of the mail which Neese carried was saved from destruction by fire which enveloped the plane following the crash. Postal authorities tonight revealed that securities valued at thousands of dollars were rescued from the plane by farmers. The securities were being sent to New York. Farmers took them to a bank at Gresham and they were later returned to this city.

A small piece of fabric from a wing of the plane was found clinging to a branch of a fair tree several hundred yards from where the plane nosed into the ground. The plane was virtually demolished.

Art Davidson, another Varney pilot, was forced down on a sand bar in the Columbia River gorge about 20 miles east of Crown Point late today. Varney officials revealed, Davidson, after reaching Crown Point, was forced to turn back because of the dense fog. He waited until the fog cleared, then proceeded to this city, later flying east with the mail rescued from Neese's plane.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 9.—(AP)—An airmail plane operated by the Varney lines crashed and burned near here today. Kenneth Neese, pilot, was injured but it was not believed he was seriously hurt.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9.—(AP)—The federal farm board has loaned or made available to agricultural marketing associations a total of \$46,805,000 since the first loan was approved under the agricultural marketing act three months ago.

Board officials revealed today that some of the money loaned early in August already is being paid.

Cotton, fruit and wheat have been the principal beneficiaries of \$36,000,000, but other commodities have been given substantial aid.

The first two loans made by the board went to fruit growers. The Florida Citrus Growers exchange received \$300,000 to enable it to construct cooling and heating equipment necessary to meet government regulations against the fruit fly. Four millions, five hundred thousand dollars were made available to the Sun Maid Raisin growers of California. At the same time the board made arrangements for California banks to raise the total available for advances to growers by the main group to \$9,000,000.

Fruit marketing organizations have received, or will receive \$12,100,000 as the result of the board action. Of this amount \$4,500,000 will come from California banks, largely as a result of a like loan from the farm board.

## ARMISTICE DAY PLANS COMPLETED

### Ex-Service Men of City and County to Celebrate Many Features—Parade To Start at 11:05 — Grand Ball to Close Day — Parking Rules in Force.

Plans and preparations are complete for the big Armistice day celebration tomorrow and a program has so been arranged that something of interest will be in progress the entire day, from 10:15 in the forenoon until the grand ball in the evening at the Oriental Gardens.

Fire Chief Roy Elliott is planning entertainment for crowds expected to assemble at the Medford Hotel at 10:15. No water will be used, and the fire drill and exhibition will be well worth attending. When this interesting event is over, the parade will be formed on nearby streets in accordance with a plan worked out by the parade committee which appears in this paper. From present indications this may be the largest patriotic parade that has ever been held in Medford. Before starting the parade, eleven bombs will be fired at 11 o'clock. A bugler will blow taps and the parade will swing into line with Marshal Hob Deuel leading, Colonel W. H. Paine, is parade chairman.

When the parade is over the ex-service men and their guests, also Spanish War veterans and members of the G. A. R. will assemble in the basement of the Elks' temple for a big feed and entertainment. The main talk will be given by Irving Vining of Ashland. There will be plenty of music and other entertainment to amuse the crowd.

After the parade is over the big football game between Ashland and Medford will start at 2:30 p. m. at the high school athletic field. This is the big game of the year and it is expected that one of the biggest crowds will be present that has ever attended a football game in Medford. The boys are out to win and their supporters will be on hand to help them. A big crowd is expected from Ashland to see the game. The Ashland ex-service men have been invited to all of the festivities in Medford on Armistice day.

All during the afternoon, ex-service men in uniform will be admitted free to the Isis, State, Rialto and Craterian theaters, through the courtesy of the management of these houses. Street stunts by the veterans will be going on all of the time, and it is rumored that the boys have some stunts up their sleeves that will surprise the natives, not to mention the doings that are expected between halves on the football field.

The Armistice day ball, under the auspices of the Legion, will be held at the Oriental Gardens. Jack Fowler's orchestra, from Klamath Falls will provide the music and they say that Jack and his boys know how. They are not only good musicians but all-around entertainers and this ball is going to be full of pep and just the right kind of entertainment to wind up the big day. All in all, everybody is going to have plenty of opportunity to celebrate and have a good time, and the boys say that they want everybody to forget their troubles and get in on the fun.

Parade Details. The parade for tomorrow's big Armistice day celebration will form on West Main street at the city park at 10:45 a. m. and all participants are urged to be present promptly on time. Main street from Oakdale avenue to Riverside will be free of automobiles. City Traffic Officer G. J. Present announcing last evening that no parking will be allowed on the street during the hours of the parade.

The parade will move at 11:05 a. m. on Main street to Riverside, then to Sixth street, then via Hartlett to Main, and will return on Main street to starting place.

It is requested that bands report on North Dakota near Main. Military and veterans' organizations and their auxiliaries at City park.

Religious and relief organizations and all entries from Jacksonville at North Ivy street, near Main.

Civic betterment organizations such as Chamber of Commerce, Lions, Greater Medford and Business and Professional Women's clubs on North Dakota near Main.

Fraternal and social organizations, South Oakdale, near Main. Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and schools, on grounds of Washington school.

All entries not provided for above, or in any case of doubtful classification, West Main street, west of Oakdale.

Representatives of the American Legion will be at the above places to guide and assist.

## Armistice Day Program

- 10:15 a. m.—Street Stunts.
- 10:15 a. m.—Fire Drill at Hotel Medford
  - Chief Roy Elliott and his men will give an exhibition of ladder-climbing and other interesting features.
- 10:45 a. m.—Parade Forms at City Park on West Main Street
- 11:00 a. m.—Bomb Salute
- 11:05 a. m.—Parade Starts
- 12:00 noon—Venison Feed for all Ex-Service Men (Elks Club Temple) Entertainment and talks
- 2:30 p. m.—Football Game
  - Medford vs. Ashland. High School Athletic Field
- 8:30 p. m.—BIG DANCE at Oriental Gardens.
  - State, Isis, Rialto and Craterian theatres open to men in uniform in afternoon.