

Forecast: Tonight and Saturday, rain and normal temperature.

Highest yesterday 42
Lowest this morning 30
Precipitation last 24 hrs 0

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Gay New Year Eve.
Din, Sin and Gin.
Children Have a New Game.
What, No More War?

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The learned Professor James MacKaye, of Dartmouth, brings forth a new theory of the universe, pushing Einstein and relativity into the background.

The universe possesses a radiation of super frequency and super-penetration pervading all space.

The ether, which Einstein eliminated, returns but is a dynamic, not a static ether.

That deep news interests a few.

Secretary Mellon says 1930 will be a super-year, money abundant, interest rates low, business good.

That interests everybody, violently.

Infinite time, space and ether will take care of themselves. Nineteen and thirty and business must be attended to at once.

Nineteen thirty is three days old.

Not fewer than a million good resolutions have been broken, more breakage will come later. But enough resolutions will be kept to provide the usual annual improvement.

New Year's eve, throughout the country, shed the usual light on prohibition; many prohibition raids, many arrests, unlimited whiskey, gin, etc.

A moving picture advertisement invites you to see an all-talking, singing and laughing play that, to quote the promoter, "Shows amazingly girls to hire, for the out-of-town buyer; the road to din, sin and gin." That road is wide open in this year of our Lord.

One newspaper describes New Year's eve in New York as an effort to drown remembrance of margins wiped out, and, in spite of determined efforts of prohibition agents, as a "rather dismal, but doggedly drunken night."

At parties for young people, and in the so-called "best society," a new game for children is played. The younger boys ask an older boy of 16 or 17 "What time is it?" and watch the younger American hold his wrist watch before his eyes, and weave drunkenly to and fro, trying to focus his bleary sight. This seems de-

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"I'd hate mighty bad to see times get hard even if I am a Democrat," said Joe Kite today. Why does a feller allus feel in his vest pockets when he begs a cigar?

PURCHASER MAY SHARE RUM GUILT

Department of Justice Asks Supreme Court to Hold Buyer Guilty of Conspiracy - Borah Denies Mrs. Willebrandt Furnished Data On Enforcement Laxity.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—The department of justice today asked the supreme court to hold that a purchaser is guilty of conspiracy when he orders liquor from a bootlegger knowing that its delivery will involve illegal transportation.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Senator Borah, of Idaho, today denied widely published reports that Mrs. Mabel Walker Willebrandt, former assistant attorney general in charge of prohibition cases was the source of his information on prohibition conditions throughout the country.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Secretary Mellon today asserted that the coast guard had done nothing that was not justified and authorized under the law in firing on the liquor smuggling boat, Black Duck, which resulted in the death of three men.

Mr. Mellon's statement was in line with those previously made by Rear Admiral Billard, coast guard commander, and Assistant Secretary Lowman, both of whom had defended the coast guard.

The secretary of the treasury said that as much as the shooting was regretted, reports to him indicated that the coast guard was acting "entirely within their instructions and observing their duty in what they did."

"They saw a warning, the boat was endeavoring to escape and they could not do less than they did," he added.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Prohibition Commissioner Dora announced today that an agreement had been entered into with industrial alcohol manufacturers, which would reduce production in 1930 by 15 per cent, as compared to 1929.

He estimated the output would be decreased between 13,000,000 and 14,000,000 gallons by the cut. The commissioner said he had notified producers that the reduction was desired and that they had agreed to it without objection.

VICTIMS OF FILM BLAZE ARE BURIED

PAISLEY, Scotland, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Inhabitants of this grief-stricken town today witnessed another act in the tragic drama of the cinema fire which Tuesday snuffed out the lives of 72 children living here.

Fifty of the child victims were buried today. Business life was hushed, and flags dropped at half-mast on public buildings. Blinks on residences were drawn as tin hearses at brief intervals for five hours carried the tiny coffins through silent streets to the cemeteries.

OVER FOUR BILLION FOR PUBLIC WORKS

GOLD HILL RESIDENT SUICIDE IN RED BLUFF

RED BLUFF, Cal., Jan. 3.—(AP)—The body of Harry Jones, 55, formerly of Gold Hill, Ore., was found in a gas-filled room here. Authorities said he committed suicide.

Telephone inquiries of several Gold Hill residents this afternoon indicated that Jones was not known in that city.

Oregon Weather: Rain tonight and Saturday; moderate temperature. Strong southerly gales on the coast.

Chambermaids of France in Revolt Outline Demands

PARIS, France, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Parisian "femmes de menage"—or, in English, chambermaids—are in revolt.

NERVY PAIR GET NOOSE IN FOLSOM

First of Six Hanged for Murder of Fellow Convict During 1927 Thanksgiving Day Riot - Doomed Man Dismayful of Spectators - Warden Told to 'Make It Snappy.'

FOLSOM STATE PRISON, Cal., Jan. 3.—(AP)—The first two of six convicts sentenced to hang for the murder of Convict George Baker during the 1927 Thanksgiving day riot at Folsom prison, were hanged today.

Anthony Brown went to the gallows first. The trap was sprung at 9:02 and he was pronounced dead at 9:14 a. m. Roy E. Stokes followed, the trap being sprung at 9:27 a. m. He was pronounced dead at 9:34 a. m.

Both men went to their death without signs of fear. Each had to walk about 300 feet from the "back alley," where they were kept last night, to the execution chamber. Spectators were kept outside the death chamber until after the condemned men had been taken in.

When Brown saw the crowd awaiting him he turned his head to Warden Court Smith and said: "These fellows will think you are carrying me."

The warden had him by the arm. He assured Brown that it was customary to assist a condemned man and that it did not denote weakness.

Brown entered the death chamber smoking a cigar. He eyed the crowd with a half smile of disdain. His last words to the warden were, "Make it snappy."

After Brown was pronounced dead by Dr. P. W. Day, prison physician, the 30 or more spectators were ushered outside the death chamber while guards prepared the gallows for Stokes.

Within 10 minutes time he entered the long alleyway leading to the gallows, escorted by Turnkey Walter Neil, Guard E. C. Richmond and the warden.

Brown and Stokes were the first of six men convicted in the Sacramento superior court as leaders of the 1927 outbreak which resulted in death to 19 convicts and Guard Ray Shingleton. They were to be followed to the gallows next Friday by Walter Burke, sentenced from Sacramento for five years to life for robbery, and James Gregg, sentenced to life from Fresno for first degree murder. On January 17, Eugene Crosby, sentenced from Alameda for burglary in the first degree, is to be executed.

Albert M. Stewart, sentenced from Los Angeles on two forgery counts, still has an appeal pending before the state supreme court.

SAN QUENTIN PRISON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Louis Lazarus, 37, died on the gallows here today for the killing of William McFarlin, Oakland bank teller. The trap was sprung at 10:01 a. m. and at 10:14 a. m. he was pronounced dead. He was the first to hang at San Quentin this year.

MILITANT WIFE OF ARCHITECT DEAD

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Miriam Noel Wright, divorced wife of Frank Lloyd Wright, internationally known architect, died at a hospital here today following an operation several weeks ago.

Mrs. Wright, 61 years old, was known as a sculptor and writer. Her marital troubles with her architect husband attracted nationwide attention.

Blast Kills Children. LONDON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Three children were killed and six injured today in the holiday district of London by the explosion of a barrel of petroleum in a railway freight station.

W. H. VANDERBILT AND HIS BRIDE



William H. Vanderbilt of Newport, R. I., and New York and his bride, the former Anne Gordon Colby after their wedding at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Colby, in West Orange, N. J.

NEW CLUE GIVEN SEVEN INJURED IN SEARCH FOR IN SANTA CLARA MISSING FLIER SHOP DISTRICT

SANTA CLARA, Calif., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Seven persons were injured, one probably fatally, in an explosion on the Main street here today which wiped out the fronts of seven stores.

The explosion, which was felt over a wide area and broke windows for several blocks around, was said to have been caused by an over-accumulation of gas in the Madden Pharmacy.

The injured were taken to the San Jose hospital. The injured were: William Forsey, of the Mead Jewelry store, believed dying; Floyd Rankin, a customer in the store.

Mrs. Grace Brown, proprietor of an art store. Mr. and Mrs. George Green, customers in the art store. P. G. Gacchioni, delicatessen store employe.

An employe of the Santa Clara meat market, name not ascertained, was injured. Firemen extricated the injured from the wreckage and sent them in ambulances to the hospital. The explosion was not followed by fire. Buildings damaged included the Mead Jewelry store, Mrs. Brown's Art Shop, the Santa Clara Meat Market, a delicatessen store, the Santa Clara Creamery, and a sheet metal shop. First estimates placed the probable loss at about \$55,000.

Wave Motion Holding Earth Together, Claims Scientist

By Howard W. Hakeslee, Science Editor. (Associated Press Feature Service.) DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 3.—(AP)—A new proof of the peculiar wave motion believed by some scientists to cement the universe today was awarded the highest honor of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the \$1,000 reward for "an outstanding paper."

The author was A. J. Dempster, physicist of the University of Chicago. The award was the final action of the annual meeting of the association, which closed this forenoon.

Mr. Dempster demonstrated indirectly but visible evidence of the wave motion of very tiny bits of hydrogen. They were nearly full sized atoms, 3,000 times heavier than anything in which this odd motion previously has been conclusively shown.

According to one of the latest sensations in science, called wave-mechanics, there is thought to be a wave motion of the particles in

B.F. SCHOOL BOARD HELD WASTEFUL

Budget Termed Shame and Disgrace to County at Hearing On Tax Payers' Petition for Reduction - Teachers, Janitors Receive Excessive Salaries, Says Attorney.

The Butte Falls school budget hearing before the county boundary board was concluded this afternoon. County Judge Alex Sparrow announced that a decision would be rendered after "the boundary board has a chance to study the transcript of the record, and we hope to make a fair and reasonable ruling. We will do what we think is right, and then you people can carry it as far as you like."

Several lively exchanges occurred between the opposing counsel, Attorney Gus Newbury, for the school board, contended the school board was within its rights in fixing the budget, and that it was legal.

John Patton, janitor, Mrs. Verne Willis, music teacher, and E. A. Hildreth, clerk of the school board, were among the witnesses this afternoon. On claims "the sole object of the school board was to waste the taxpayers' money," and that "the budget as proposed, is a shame and disgrace to Jackson county," the county boundary board this morning began a hearing for reduction of the Butte Falls school budget, as petitioned by taxpayers, "to an average with other third class school districts of the county."

Attorney E. E. Kelly, appearing for the petitioners, declared that the salaries paid teachers were excessive, and kept other districts in a turmoil, due to teachers demanding that their salaries be raised to the level of the Butte Falls school.

It was also claimed that Mrs. Elizabeth Shimmerville, a member of the school board, maintained her residence at Eugene, Oregon, with monthly trips to attend school director meetings, and that another school director had a residence in Klamath county, but retained his directorate seat at Butte Falls.

Employment of a domestic science teacher, an orchestra leader, and a music teacher, in the Butte Falls school was also attacked, and it was also requested that the janitor's salary be cut to an average. Butte Falls has an enrollment of 108 students, 17 of these being from other districts.

Cost Per Pupil Shown Superintendent of Schools Susanne Homes Carter showed by statistics that the average annual cost per pupil of Butte Falls education is \$275.93, the highest in the state. The Butte Falls cost per day per pupil is \$2.45, twice that of any similar district in the county except Rogue River, which has a higher enrollment.

Attorney Kelly compared Butte Falls to other districts. (Continued on Page Eight)

NORTHERN PACIFIC MEN ARE GIVEN PROMOTIONS

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Three promotions in the passenger traffic department of the Northern Pacific railway have been announced here by A. D. Charlton, general passenger agent. Lee E. Beach, who has retired after 31 years of service, has been succeeded as city passenger agent by Charles F. Duffy.

Worthington C. Smith has been promoted from passenger agent to traveling passenger agent and takes Duffy's territory. Howard D. Charlton takes the position of passenger agent.

DISCUSS OREGON LAW PROCEDURE FOR SPEED

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—The Oregon judicial council, composed of two state justices, circuit judges and lawyers, convened here today for the annual meeting to discuss proposed changes for speeding court litigation.

Among the subjects to be discussed is a proposed change in the existing law regulating the manner of forming a jury list, qualifications of jurors and exemptions.

12 FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS SHOW INCREASE WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Gross earnings of the 12 Federal Reserve banks for 1929 amounted to \$29,955,000, or about \$4,300,000 more than for 1928.

Divulge Plans



Under Secretary Ogden L. Mills, who revealed plans for a unified border patrol and limitation of the number of Canadian ports of entry as a means to restrict smuggling liquors.

SELECT DAZEY TOASTMASTER CIVIC DINNER

Council Completes Plans for Community Inventory Banquet on Wednesday - Leonard Reed to Be Speaker of Evening.

The Civic council at a meeting this noon completed plans for the Community Inventory dinner to be held at the Hotel Medford, next Wednesday evening at 6:30 o'clock. Details of the program were arranged and K. L. Dazey named as toastmaster. Ladies will attend the dinner.

The program calls for a main address by Leonard Reed, vice president for the western division of the United States Chamber of Commerce. Local speakers will include Paul Scherer, representing the fruit industry, Alex Sparrow, the agricultural and stock industry, Galt Robinson, the lumber trade, Carl Swigart, general community activities, W. H. Gore, general industrial conditions, and others to be named soon.

Facts and figures not generally known and bearing on local industry and payrolls will be presented. The menu will contain a list of the payrolls and industries in this city, and educational work on Buy-Home-Products launched. The achievements of 1929, and the prospects for the coming year will be told.

Ticket selling for the occasion will start at once, and the attendance at the dinner is expected to be large and representative of the business and industrial life of the city.

SEAMEN PERISH IN FIRE ABOARD PLANE CARRIER

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Jan. 3.—(AP)—A court of inquiry today will convene aboard the U. S. S. Saratoga, giant naval aircraft carrier, to fix responsibility for a gasoline fire which yesterday brought death to two men, burned four others, three of them seriously, destroyed a gig valued at \$25,000 and caused damage as yet unestimated to the starboard side of the carrier.

Commander A. C. Reid, senior officer of the Saratoga, said the fire originated in a torpedoing net in a room alongside the Saratoga, firing the surface of the water, which was covered with residue from a gasoline compressor pump which was being cleaned aboard the Saratoga.

The dead—Matthew La Vielle, 22, seaman, second class, Schenectady, N. Y.; Vincent Valentine Lator, 29, engineer second class, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Bodies not recovered.

The injured: George William February, 19, Annapolis, Md., seaman, second class. Burned about face, expected to recover. Henry Kenfield, 24, Hampton, Conn., seaman, first class, seriously burned. Albert Lee Houston, 20, R. F. D. No. 1, Centralia, Wash., seaman, second class, seriously burned; recovery in doubt. B. J. Morton, seaman second class, slight burns.

The flames leaped 25 feet above the carrier's stacks and blackened about two-thirds of the starboard side, but failed to penetrate the interior of the ship.

TEN MOVIE MEN DIE IN AIR CRASH

Collision of Planes in Filming 'Thriller' Plunges Camera Crews Into Sea - Flames Wrap Hurting Ships - Three Bodies Fall Clear, Recovered - Seven in Wreckage.

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Jan. 3.—(AP)—The plain Pacific rolls gently today over the watery sepulchers of seven of ten men who yesterday met a flaming death 3,000 feet above the sea in catering to a public whim. The charred and shattered bodies of three are in a morgue, where sorrowing relatives will claim them before the world forgets.

They were making a motion picture thriller. Had they succeeded, the world would never have seen or known them.

For they were behind the scenes men—directors, cameramen, property men, airplane pilots. Yesterday they soared out above the sea—two plane loads of men and cameras and equipment. They hovered over a third plane, waiting for a stunt man to drop away toward the water with his parachute. They were to make a thrilling sequence in a story based on the mid-channel disappearance of Captain Alfred Lowenstein, Belgian financier, from a France-to-England transport plane on July 9, 1928.

Pilot Eres. The cameras were grinning and nerves were tensed for the final swoop, when a pilot erred, a flashing sun ray blinded, or a vacuum air current played a role as a messenger of death. No one lived to tell what it was.

Suddenly the planes whirled together almost head-on. They splintered, crumpled and tumbled back. Cabins ground together, telescoped. Gasoline tanks burst and flared. In the twinkling of an eye the combined wreckage shot seaward with the speed of a projectile.

Three bodies were catapulted from the flame-spewing hulks during the hissing plunge, and fell into the water away from the volcanic spot of spray, fire and smoke which marked the crash of the planes on the surface.

Wreckage Sinks. Within a few minutes only a thin film of oil, flattening out the white-topped waves, bore evidence of the tragedy. No more bodies appeared, and no wreckage came to the surface.

The dead: (Continued on Page Eight)

Will Rogers Says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Jan. 3.—Result of the gin interdenominational football, Cal. Methodists (modern) 47, Pittsburgh Cumberland Presbyterians (old school) 14. While 81,000 part time atheists howled in heathen glee, The Methodists believed in the "pass-over" and their faith was well founded, for seven out of eight passes were touchdowns. It was their greatest day since the Wesley boys, Johnny and Charley, single handed, beat the Church of England. The Right Rev. Russell Saunders was the principal presiding elder called upon to carry or leave their message and test into infidel territory. As darkness enveloped the field Pittsburgh did better. The Presbyterians seemed to be carrying out the traditions of their late senator, Uncle Joe Grundy. They was always "lobbying" when they should have been running.

P. S.: The winner will be allowed to cheer, till they meet Notre Dame.

Yours, WILL ROGERS.

