

## Today

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We Are Not Jealous.  
Mr. Agha Arrives.  
Men Die, Variously..  
Moses and Coolidge.

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The French are disappointed in Britain's reply to Briand's plan for a "United States of Europe."

The British according to diplomatic tradition, beat out the bush, they fear a new idea might interfere with the league of nations. Or it might seem to offer organized opposition "to other continents," meaning this continent.

The fact is that the British are satisfied with their own United States called "The British Empire" and covering a good deal of the globe.

"Divide and govern" is still the essence of diplomatic wisdom. Britain doesn't want a power greater than the British empire organized across the channel on the continent of Europe.

As to interfering with this continent or competing with it, Britain need not worry.

We are not jealous or antagonistic.

Our own United States is doing well, and if we attend to it and let Europe attend to its affairs, we shall be wise.

Any immediate American alliance might include Mexico and Canada. Each co-operating to keep this continent invulnerable. Other alliances are not necessary or desirable.

The oldest Turk, Zaro Agho, who thinks he is 156 years old, arrived in the United States yesterday.

He comes with three ideas in his mind. First, to make money by exhibiting himself. He will surely do that. Second, to get a set of false teeth, well made by an American dentist. That will be easy and a blessing.

Third, to get a wife, that will not be difficult either, horrible as it sounds. There are many foolish women.

The part about the wife is probably the invention of a press agent. If wise, Mr. Agho will return with his money and false teeth, abandoning the third idea.

Men are born and die in different ways, as doctors and public executioners can testify.

Charles the first demanded warm clothing for his beheading, fearing that he might shiver with cold and be accused of cowardice.

A braver and better man, who had signed a recantation of his faith, and then reaffirmed it, held his hand in the fire and burned it off before he would let them burn the rest of his body "this hand, this guilty hand, hath offended," said he.

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## POPULATION OF MEDFORD NOW 15,168

### 13,173 People Reside Within City Limits; 1,995 Contiguous Thereto Mail Tribune Directory Count Shows — Tabulations Show Variance With U. S. Census.

Medford has a population of 15,168 according to figures compiled from a city directory soon to be issued by the Mail Tribune. Of the above number 13,173 reside within the city limits and 1,995 live immediately contiguous to the city limits. The latter districts are Capitol Hill, Laurelhurst, Berrydale and Perrydale.

The United States census taken last spring gives Medford a population of 11,087. The directory totals conform to estimates made the past two years from school, water users and telephone records.

Only the names of permanent residents are contained in the directory. Names of those planning on a permanent residence here, but residing in tourist camps were omitted. This latter class does not exceed 25 persons.

In making the count the names of people residing in Central Point, Jacksonville, Ashland, Phoenix and Talent, employed in this city are also eliminated, although their names appear in the directory as having some business connections here.

The variance between the private and United States census is explained by the fact the private count was made with no time limit for the finish and the by the exercise of care.

The directory shows there are 35 Japanese and 15 colored people residing in the city.

In the names, Miller leads with a total of 147, and the Millers are second with 89. Top honorees heretofore have been held by the Smith family who total 42; the Jones are second with 70; the Johnsons and the Johnstons together total 89; the Davies 64, the Browns 63 and the Charles 58.

## AGED TURK HERE FOR FALSE TEETH CLAIMS 156 YEARS

PROVIDENCE, R. I., July 18. (AP)—Agero Agho, who says he is 156 years old, and the first 100 years were the easiest, landed here from Turkey today to get himself a set of false teeth and, for a consideration, to let American scientists have a look at him.

The date of his birth, as given on his passport, was February 16, 1774, and this was based, said his great-grandson, Ahmet Musa, who accompanied him on an actual record in the possession of the Turkish government.

Yellow and wrinkled, with a hawk-like nose, bristling grey moustache, and lively, curious eyes, wilyly alive in their deep sunken sockets, Zaro Agha sat in the sun on the deck of the steamer Sinal and talked of wars and women, and the third set of teeth that he grew at the age of 108.

Agha indignantly denied a report he had divorced his eleventh wife to marry the present Mme. Agha—she's young, only 66—who waits for him in Istanbul.

"Me? I never divorced any of my wives," he grunted. "I got along with them all, very nice, and they all died."

"Now women—I always am interested in them. I like them brunette best and plump."

Agha, again today said he had never tasted alcohol in his life. Nor tobacco. He lives, he said, mostly on vegetables and sweets.

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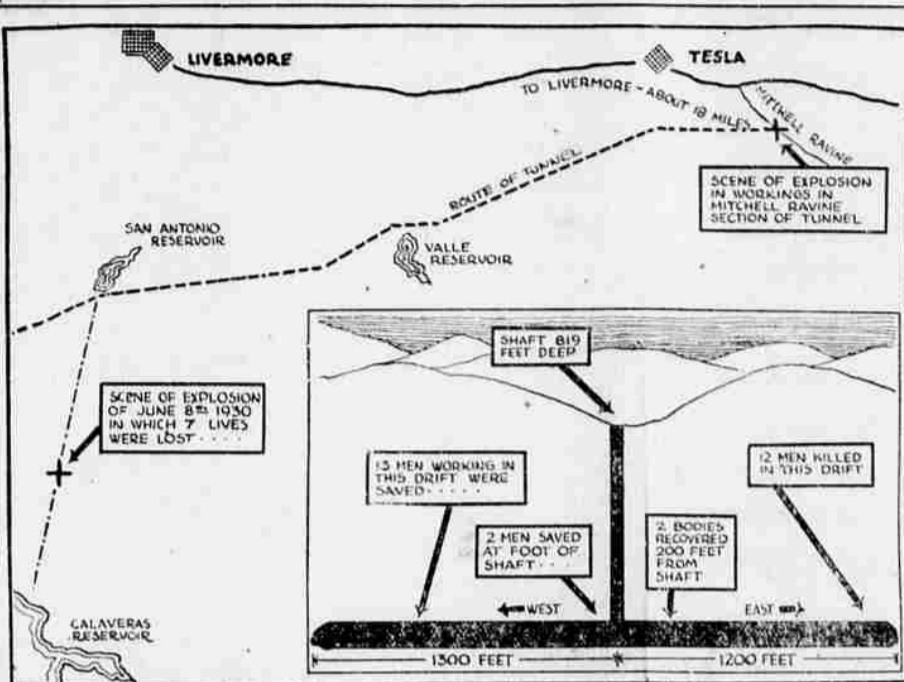
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## Twelve Killed In Tunnel Explosion



Map shows where a dozen men lost their lives in the Mitchell R. mine tunnel explosion as gas exploded. Diagram indicates where men were trapped and scene of previous disaster in project.

## FARM REVOLT, WITH NEGROES, SOVIET DREAM

### House Hears Charges Vast Sums Raised for American Uprising — Radical Expert Gives Testimony — Planned Propaganda Wave.

NEW YORK, July 19. (AP)—Charges of Gregory Bessedovsky, the former soviet charge d'affaires at Paris and Tokyo, that the Moscow government planned to spend vast sums to foment revolution in the United States, were placed before the special house committee investigating today by Police Inspector John A. Lyons of the radical bureau.

The charges were contained in an article by Bessedovsky printed in a Jewish newspaper last March. The former diplomat, who was refused entry into the country, accused the Amtorg Trading company of carrying on propaganda work besides being a commercial agency of the soviet union.

High officials of the Amtorg company, the article said, were sent here in the guise of commercial agents, and were instructed to permit soviet agents to draw funds for propaganda.

"Directors of the Amtorg are sent to New York usually under a disguise," Bessedovsky wrote, adding that he was appointed to the directorate of the concern and instructed to act as an unofficial ambassador. He was refused admittance by the federal government because of his political connections with the soviet.

The Russian, who fled from Paris and was charged by Moscow with having taken some funds illegally, said the soviets had an unofficial representative in Washington named Skwinsky.

The soviets planned, the article continued, to lay the groundwork for a revolution in the "twelve million discontented negroes and farmers of the United States."

## SECOND SUICIDE TRY SUCCESSFUL

NEW YORK, July 13. (AP)—Harry S. Black, chairman of the Board of United States Realty corporation, died tonight in his home at Allendale, L. I., from a bullet wound in the head which police said was self-inflicted.

Black was found in bed bleeding by a servant. Police said he held a revolver in his hand from which two shots had been fired and there was one bullet wound in his head.

Police failed to find either of the discharged bullets and said there were no powder burns on his face. But he listed the shooting as an attempted suicide.

Black, who heads real estate companies owning large hotels, including the Savoy Plaza of New York and Boston, was found near death in an overflow bathtub in his suite at the Plaza here last October. He was revived by a nursemaid.

## PADLOCK MAIN GATES OF PASS DITCH SYSTEM

### Strict Control of Water Ordered Owing to Low Stage of Rogue River — Crops Not Endangered.

GRANTS PASS, Ore., July 19. (AP)—The management of the Grants Pass Irrigation district has padlocked the flood gates leading from the main irrigation ditches and has ordered a strict control of the water supply.

No statement has been made in regard to the action but it is generally believed it was done to conserve the water supply for summer irrigation. The Rogue river is reported to be lower than for a number of years. Officials say, however, crops are in no danger and enough water will be available for summer use.

The unusual condition is attributed to lack of rainfall last spring.

## CHICAGO NEEDS A SOLOMON IN BABY MIX-UP

### Science Called Upon To Determine Parentage of Infants — Folks Believe They Have Right Children Despite Evidence.

CHICAGO, July 19. (AP)—King Solomon in determining a baby's parentage was a faced with the problem of only one baby, two women and a menacing sword, but Dr. Arnold H. Hegel, health commissioner, was called upon today to ascertain if the baby, sons of the William Watkins and the Charles Bamberger were mixed up in tagging of new borns at the Englewood hospital where they arrived on June 26 within an hour and a half of each other.

Blood tests today failed to throw any light on their parentage. Dr. Hegel, assisted by a corps of scientists, is making a study of the babies and their parents. They measured skull, took blood counts, determined skin and eye pigmentation, hair classification and other factors, but the health commissioner said it would take several days to arrive at a conclusion.

Belief the babies had been transposed when the Watkins took their child home and discovered a strip of adhesive tape, marked "Bamberger" on its pack. Search revealed a similar piece of tape removed from the baby in the Bamberger's home read "Watkins."

Matters were further complicated today because the parents despite the printed tags, believe they have the right children.

## HINT 'KEY MAN' IN LINGLE MURDER CASE 'SQUEALS'

### Gangster Foster Believed to Have Furnished Valuable Information to Police — Secrecy Covers Movements After Chicago Arrival.

CHICAGO, July 19. (AP)—Official investigators tonight intimated Frank Foster, reputed to have been the owner of the revolver which killed Jake Lingle, Tribune reporter, had given valuable information to solve the mystery surrounding the newspaperman's death.

But what Foster told the authorities, if anything was as much a mystery to the general public as was the killing of Lingle himself. Foster was brought back to Chicago on a train which made an unadvertised stop in the south side yards.

Twenty detectives swarmed about him, a fleet of squad cars sped away and Foster, said by authorities to be one of the keys in the Lingle killing, had vanished for the day.

A court stenographer received an emergency call and hastened away, pad in hand. The reporters guessed that Foster was talking.

"Well, the case is all cleared up, an attaché of the states' attorney's staff remarked as he emerged from headquarters, and the reporters guessed that Foster had talked. The gangster was brought back from California under indictment for the murder of Lingle, but not accused of being the actual slayer. The prosecutors hope to learn from him the last owner of the snub-nosed, ancient revolver found beside the Tribune reporter's body. Foster had once owned it, he admitted, but he said police took it from him long ago.

Detectives, prosecutors, and special investigators threw reports off their trail. Comment was refused, and the place where Foster was taken for questioning could not be learned. An attorney announced that he had been retained for Foster and would demand that he be lodged in the county jail, to await the trial for which his indictment called. But Foster could not be found.

A new fire was raging on Cedar mountain in the Siskiyou National forest the report said. A crew of 17 men was fighting the flames and preparations were being made to recruit other fighters.

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A fire in the Williams creek district was reported under control.

HOLSTEIN, Iowa, July 19. (AP)—A 14-year-old boy confessed to County Attorney George Clark, Jr., last night that he knocked his mother unconscious with a brick, dragged her into the kitchen of their farm home and shot her to death.

CHICAGO, July 19. (AP)—Frank Foster, gangster under indictment for the murder of Alfred Lingle, Tribune underworld reporter, today returned from California in custody of two detectives, and was rushed to the criminal court building for examination.

### THE WEATHER

Oregon—Fair, Sunday and Monday with fog on the coast. Slowly rising temperature in the interior. Moderate north winds on the coast.

## NAVY PACT APPROVAL VOTE NEAR

### Hi Johnson and Aides End Vocal Opposition — Ratification By Heavy Vote Assured — Reservations May Delay Final Action.

WASHINGTON, July 19. (AP)—Ratification of the London naval limitations agreement early next week seemed assured tonight as the opposition ended its speech-making and permitted the text of the treaty to be formally approved.

The end of the stubborn fight waged by the militant band under Senator Johnson, Republican, California, was heralded as the only two amendments offered to the treaty were shouted down without record votes.

Johnson started today's session with resumption of the continuous debate carried on by the treaty foe for the last three days but his voice was hoarse and after a short address he yielded for the consideration of the text of the treaty.

One by one the 24 articles of the pact were read and late in the day they were completed.

Chairman Borah of the foreign relations committee who is in charge of the treaty then offered the resolution of ratification he assured Senator Johnson he had no intention of seeking to waive the rules and would take it up in regular session on Monday. The rules require the resolution to lie over a day.

Satisfied opponents intend to filibuster against the treaty and would let it come to a vote in regular order next week, senate leaders earlier in the day had agreed to forego the night session. Borah then moved adjournment until Monday.

The days of continuous debate carried on by the group of opponents had obviously tired them. Some gave notice today to their leaders they could go on no longer and the end of the fight against the treaty was obviously at hand.

No agreements or understanding had been made when Johnson ended his speech but it was conceded by the opponents they are fighting a losing fight.

An overwhelming majority will support the resolution of ratification when it comes to a vote next week. However, more than a dozen reservations are pending to be acted upon and the foes still may debate these, prolonging the contest.

## MEXICAN MAIDEN RISES FROM DEAD

### JUAN DE LOS LAGOS, JALISCO, Mex., July 19. (AP)—The family and friends of Petrona Corada, 15-year-old girl, assembled today about her coffin to cry before she was buried. Suddenly they heard a knocking inside the coffin was opened and the girl, who had been pronounced dead by two doctors, stepped out. She was unable to explain her "resurrection."

## 3 FIRES RAGE IN SISKIYOU AREA

GRANTS PASS, Ore., July 19. (AP)—Reports issued from the offices of the United States forestry department and the state fire warden said three forest fires were burning tonight.

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## 2 PLANES ASSAIL HUNTER RECORD

ROOSEVELT FIELD, NEW YORK, July 19. (AP)—Robert Black and Louis Reickert, Arlington, N. J., went aloft this evening in an assault on the record for the Hunter bombers. They are flying a monoplane with fuel capacity of 194 gallons.

A second endurance plane piloted by Jack Charleston and Tex Anding will take off tomorrow.

## STOCKHOLDERS OF BLUE LEDGE CONSIDER MILL

### Ratification of Agreement With H. T. Robinson, Los Angeles, For Construction and Operation of Concentrator Considered.

Stockholders of the Consolidated Copper company, holders of a lease upon the Blue Ledge mine, met here yesterday, for the purpose of ratifying an agreement with H. T. Robinson of Los Angeles, Calif., for the construction and operation of a 250-ton concentrating mill flotation system near the Blue Ledge property.

Stockholders, ten in number from Seattle, Wash., and Oakland and San Francisco, Calif., attended the session.

A tentative agreement with Robinson gives him complete charge of the mine and its operation.

If ratified, it is proposed to erect and operate the concentrator at as speedy a rate as possible.

A mining engineer from Silver City, N. M., is scheduled to arrive today to take charge of preliminary construction operations.

Robinson has been identified with public utility and mining operations all his life, and retired two years ago. He is heavily interested in Crescent City property. He is well acquainted with C. E. A. Foster of this city.

It is understood that the affairs of the Blue Ledge mine have been adjusted recently.

The concentrator proposed will cost in the neighborhood of \$200,000, and would insure the operation of the property at a maximum of efficiency.

## RECORD HEAT IN EASTERN STATES

(By Associated Press.)  
Heat records fell yesterday over that section of the country lying east of the Rockies and north of the Mason-Dixon line.

The weather was most intolerable this "temperate" zone had experienced this summer, and in many instances in some spots.

New York, with 95, registered the hottest July 19 in 54 years and Baltimore reported 94 at 5:30 p. m., 7.3 degrees above the all-time record for the day. Philadelphia registered in 97 degrees, the highest of the year and warmest July on the books.

Over in Nebraska where the thermometers were well above 100 over the entire state, a bishop invoked a day of prayer for rain to revive parched crops.

## QUENTIN NOOSE CHEATING PROBED

SAN QUENTIN, Calif., July 19. (AP)—Cheating the gallows by six days, William "Red" O'Brien, Oakland slayer and bank robber, committed suicide today in his cell in San Quentin's condemned row.

O'Brien swallowed poison, making good his boast he would never hang. He had also slashed his wrists with a razor blade.

The poison had apparently been smuggled into his cell past the vigilance of the guards on the death watch. An immediate investigation was ordered by Warden James Holahan, who questioned guards and other condemned prisoners in an effort to trace O'Brien's confederate.

## CAROL AND QUEEN BURY THE PAST AT KING'S GRAVE

BUCHAREST, Rumania, July 19. (AP)—King Carol and Queen Helen of Rumania rode out to Curtea de Arges today to a requiem memorial for King Ferdinand. Carol's father, and three for the time being, at least, put away the marital troubles which had separated them since the crown prince chose a path away from the mother of his little son, Michael.

Appearing for a journey together for the first time in public since Carol's return to the royal couple were believed by the populace, which had awaited such a gesture to have composed the last of their differences.

Support was given to that belief when, aboard the private train which took the pair together with Queen Marie, Prince Nicholas and Princess Ileana and others to the ceremony, King Carol called a cabinet meeting for the purpose of drafting the legal formula announcing annulment of her divorce.

## ST. PAUL, Minn., July 19. (AP)—Effective at once, the Northern Pacific will operate all its car repair shops between St. Paul and Seattle six days a week instead of five, as heretofore.

## FIRE RAGES IN KLAMATH MILL YARDS

### Flames Confined to Lumber Yard of Ewauna Box Factory — Flames Menace Rail and Oil Property, Early Reports Say — Loss Is High.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., July 19. (AP)—Several million feet of lumber, a few Southern Pacific box cars, a lumber yard office, jitney garages and a portion of the Southern Pacific being platform were destroyed by fire in the Ewauna and Big Lakes Lumber company yards tonight.

A special dispatch to the Mail Tribune at midnight said the fire in the Ewauna Box factory lumber yard at Klamath Falls was still raging, and that the fire department of that city was fighting to keep the fire confined to the lumber yard, and from spreading to adjacent property.

The dispatch stated that the flames were spreading in an opposite direction from the Great Northern depot, and the oil tanks and that the plant proper and machinery were not threatened. The fire started about six o'clock last evening.

The entire population of Klamath Falls was present at the conflagration, one of the largest and most spectacular in the history of southern Oregon.

Snapshots estimates of the loss entailed placed it at close to \$500,000.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., July 19. (AP)—Fire of undetermined origin broke out in the lumber yards of the Ewauna Box company's plant here tonight and quickly grew to serious proportions.

Although the city fire department and fire fighting equipment of the Ewauna Box company and the Big Lakes Lumber company was brought into play, the flames after several hours were endangering the box factory, the Great Northern depot and large oil tanks.

The lumber in the yards is very dry and firemen said they believed they would be able to control the blaze.

COVE, Ore., July 19. (AP)—Fire today destroyed the Maccabee hall and two residences in this city with a loss estimated at \$10,000 to 12,000.

A bucket brigade prevented further fire damage.

ALBANY, N. Y., July 19. (AP)—Ten firemen suffered burns and were overcome by smoke tonight as the buildings and warehouses of the F. F. Crannell Lumber company here were destroyed by fire.

Only the absence of a wind prevented a general conflagration.

So intense was the heat that the rubber in the firemen's raincoats melted.

Seven buildings, including an office structure, three warehouses and three garages were destroyed, as well as large piles of lumber.

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