

Today

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No, No, Professor.
Dole and Bread Line.
Eat Sugar!

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Professor Einstein urges the United States to prevent wars. How should the United States prevent wars, which start in Europe, or elsewhere, outside of the United States?

Should we become mixed up in them, and again send ten billions of dollars, and three millions of men, as we did last time? No, thanks.

How could we prevent them? An Italian is arrested in France with plans of an important French naval base, and other plans for destroying that base with Italian airplanes.

A smaller spark than that has started a war. Could we prevent it?

A foolish old farmer hitched himself up in a yoke with a bull calf, and, as he went down hill, yelled: "Stop us, somebody." He should not have hitched himself up.

Europe should not go to war, and Professor Einstein should not expect us to prevent the nations from fighting each other.

That is their business, not ours. He would not say: "I wish some American would prevent my fighting a friend in Poland."

Congressman Tilson says the McNary bill is the "dole" in disguise. For some reason, every professional "one hundred per cent American" seems to have a horror of the dole.

Is the dole so much worse than the bread line? Is it better to let a man stand in line two or three hours to get a miserable cup of coffee and a piece of bread than to give him and his family, without waste, and directly, enough to keep from starving—that is, if you really want to keep him from starving.

By the way, Senator Borah warns this government that, if it insists on boycotting Russia, and hampering trade with Russia, somebody else will get the trade that Russia, with decent treatment, would give to us. And if that happens, according to Senator Borah, we really shall have the dole. Wisely he advises developing, not restricting trade. The Soviet with its theories is no worse than the exars, with their lack.

For your health's sake remember the statement of an able doctor: "Sugar is the best muscle food." The heart is a muscle and if illness has weakened that muscle, see that you have plenty of sugar or food or drink containing sugar.

If you are tired in the afternoon, a piece of chocolate, or a pure candy, or a drink well sweetened, will help to dispel fatigue and supply renew vigor.

The man or woman past fifty, according to the late Doctor Murphy, great Chicago surgeon, should find time in the middle of the day or early afternoon for a nap, however short. Ten or even five minutes will restore nervous energy and prolong life.

It was because he would not take his own advice, and moderate his ceaseless working that Dr. Murphy died too young.

R. A. Carvington, Jr., publisher of the Oakland Post-Enquirer, active newspaper, would like you to know that Oakland doesn't propose to take any "depression" lying down. Yesterday, Mr. Adolph Zukor broke ground for a new three million dollar Oakland theatre, which is part of the twenty-million dollar building program now under way in Oakland, in Alameda county.

BOND NOTE PLAN URGED BY NORBLAD

Governor Favors Special Election Next Year to Aid Unemployment and Give State New Prison and Institution Space — Up to Legislature.

SALEM, Dec. 13.—(AP)—A state bond issue for \$2,000,000, to be expended during the next two years in the construction of state buildings, which would give some relief from the unemployment situation and at the same time provide much needed buildings at state institutions, is advocated by Governor Norblad. He urges that this program be adopted by the 1931 legislature and referred to the people at a special election early in the year.

In a statement today the governor mentions the building needs of the state institutions of higher learning and also at the state penitentiary, the institution for the feeble minded, the insane hospitals at Salem and Pendleton and the tuberculosis hospitals at Salem and The Dalles. For the five latter institutions the state board of control has already decided to ask the legislature for a total of about \$450,000 for buildings during the next biennium. The governor suggests, though he does not actually recommend, a complete new state prison plant.

The governor believes the proposed bonds should run for long terms, maturing in 20 or 25 years with retirement after the fifth year in 15 or 20 equal yearly installments. He believes the state could borrow on the bonds for from 4 to 4 1/2 per cent, which, he says, "on an issue of \$2,000,000, would during the first five years require an outlay of \$120,000 to \$125,000, and, as they fall due after the fifth year, an additional \$150,000 per year."

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP)—Employment of not less than 1750 men early in the coming year will be possible under plans developed by the state highway commission, H. R. Van Duzer, commission chairman, told the state association of county judges and commissioners here today.

Van Duzer asked the county courts to certify men in their counties who apply for highway work. He said unemployed heads of families and men with dependents would be given preference. "The men will be put to work on widening projects in every county in the state, except Multnomah, with pick and shovel," he said. "This will be more expensive than doing the work by machinery, but we will provide employment for not less than 1750 men for three months, six days a week."

Van Duzer said the wages would not be high but would be sufficient to carry the unemployed through the crisis. W. H. Dillard, Lane county clerk, was elected president of the county clerks and recorders at a separate session held by that body. Other officers elected were: U. G. Boyer, Salem, vice-president; H. J. Blackman, Hood River, secretary; and Donald J. Ryan, Oregon City, treasurer.

SCOUTS TRAPPED ON TRESTLE, DIE

TUXEDO PARK, N. Y., Dec. 13.—(AP)—A Brooklyn boy scout and his scoutmaster were killed and two other boy scouts critically injured when a Chicago-bound Erie express train plowed through the group on a trestle over the Ramapo river late today.

The dead, all of Brooklyn, were William Foley, 14, and William Lewis, 23, scoutmaster of troop No. 223, to which the boys belonged. Lewis was in charge of the group.

John Shanley, 15, and Charles Furchner, 14, also of Brooklyn, were taken to Tuxedo memorial hospital where one of Shanley's legs was amputated. Furchner was reported to have suffered a fractured skull. First reports of the accident said they had been killed.

HAVANA, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Forty professors at the provincial institute were dismissed today by a presidential decree, charging them with encouraging sedition among students. It was reported that more heads were to fall among the faculty of the national university.

SEATTLE, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Theresa Woodson of Portland, student at the Seattle Pacific college, was awarded first place in the international spelling contest here last night. She contended the church has the right, and is busy bidding to enter the prohibition controversy.

Confesses to Defalcations in Millions



Gilbert H. Bessemyer, (left) secretary treasurer of the Guaranty Building and Loan association at Los Angeles, entering the county jail there after branding himself a "dirty crook" following a signed confession to defalcations running into the millions of dollars, from his company.

GRANDMA SAYS LADY LUCK FOR MAJOR'S WIFE A APPLE VENDOR, HEAVY DRINKER ALSO BARITONE

Says Alcoholism Or Suicide Cause of Death, and Tells Of Empty Flasks In Cellar—Texas Blonde at Murder Trial Now Refreshed.

KANSAS CITY, Kas., Dec. 12.—(AP)—A blood relative of Mrs. Zenana Shepard, for whose alleged poison murder Maj. Charles A. Shepard is on trial in federal court, came to his defense today. Mrs. Zenana H. Curtis of Los Angeles, 68-year-old grandmother of the army medical officer's second wife who died at Fort Riley, Kas., June 15, 1929, testified in support of the defense contention that Mrs. Shepard drank liquor excessively and had expressed a wish to be dead.

With the first defense witness, Shepard's attorneys began to develop suggestions of suicide or alcoholism as possible explanations of Mrs. Shepard's death. The aged woman, whose only apparent infirmity was deafness, replied to questions in a steady voice. As she left the stand Mrs. Curtis asked defense counsel, "I make you a good witness," said Harry S. Clausen of Denver replied, "fine."

The grandmother related that Mrs. Shepard had lived with her prior to Mrs. Shepard's first marriage, and after her divorce, and that she drank a great deal. Asked how much liquor Mrs. Shepard used she replied:

"I could only judge by the number of flasks she hid in the cellar, they are numerous." While the grandmother testified, Miss Grace Brandon, the blonde San Antonio stenographer for love of whom the government contends Major Shepard poisoned his wife, sat in the district attorney's office. She said she was refreshed. Following most of Thursday and Friday on the witness stand for the prosecution.

MEAT PEDDLER IS HELD AS RUSTLER

BEND, Ore., Dec. 12.—(AP)—Officers today arrested Lester Collins at the request of Lake county officials who said Collins was wanted on charges of stealing and butchering cattle.

A quantity of meat was found in Collins' camp south of Bend and he had been peddling meat here, officers said.

TOLEDO, Ohio, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Charles (Gladdy) Tucker, 51-year-old, was operated upon for appendicitis here today. His condition was reported good.

The Weather
Oregon: Fair Sunday but with westerly fog; freezing temperature. Eastern portion: Monday cloudy, followed by rain west portion; gentle changeable winds becoming fresh east and southeast offshore by Sunday night.

LAX STATE RULE LOAN LOOT CAUSE

Chief Examiner Blames Failure to Find Huge Peculations On 'Oversight'—Gov. Ralph Promises Remedy—President Of Another Concern Among Missing Three Months.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The crash of the Guaranty Building and Loan association, through the alleged million dollar speculations of Gilbert H. Bessemyer, brought to official light today asserted embezzlement from another small association, accompanied by complaints against the state's building and loan supervisory system.

The district attorney's office, center of the investigation into Bessemyer's confessed \$7,561,793 defalcation, disclosed that Manly M. Johnson, former president of the Franklin Building and Loan association, had been sought on grand theft warrants since September. Complaints at the office charged Johnson with grand theft and falsification of \$95,000. G. V. Bailey, who said he bought the association for \$10,000 after Johnson disappeared, caused the revelations. He went to the investigators to give evidence of what he termed the "inadequacy" of the building and loan commission's examinations.

Meanwhile C. C. Barnes, commission's examiner who, in two years as chief examiner here, had failed to find irregularities in Bessemyer's accounts, was questioned by the district attorney. "It was an oversight," the official quoted Barnes' explanation for not finding the alleged defalcations. "If they were there on the books," Barnes was officially quoted, "I did not see them."

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Dec. 12.—(AP)—The governor should have complete control of appointments in all administrative branches of the state government, Governor-elect James Rolph Jr. declared here today. He said he would undertake legislation to that end as soon as he takes office January 6.

Rolph's statement was made in reiterating his charges that Charles A. Whitmore, state building and loan commissioner, was at fault in the \$8,000,000 defalcation of Gilbert H. Bessemyer, secretary of the Hollywood Guaranty Building and Loan association.

"It is a strange thing that \$8,000,000 of the people's money has been permitted to be stolen when we have state supervision of building and loan companies," Rolph said. "The present building and loan commissioner has convicted himself by saying he doesn't know anything about it."

MORE WORK FOR AIDES TO JOBLESS

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The new supervisor of 'phoned telegrams in the Western Union office is an odd looking sort with one green and one red eye and a white light where the nose ought to be.

But when it comes to thinking fast, company officials said tonight the brightest telephone operator isn't in it.

Robert's name, "She" is a small cabinet connected with a roomful of tangled wires, switches and paraphernalia. It took engineers two years to build the thing and would take a layman as long to describe it.

SOUTH EXPOSURE FOR GOOD 'CONS'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The federal government is about to construct something new in the way of prisons, in which inside cell blocks will be only for the hard-core criminal, while others may graduate into outside rooms lacking only a private bath.

Plans for this project, the new \$3,500,000 federal penitentiary to be located near Lewisburg, Pa., were made public today by the department of justice. Bids will be opened December 20, the department said, and construction will be rushed to help relieve unemployment.

DAKOTA KILLER SUSPECT HELD AT TOLEDO, ORE.

Waldport Auto Camp Operator Gives Sheriff Tip—Car and Description Tally With Man Named In Wholesale Slayings.

TOLEDO, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP)—Sheriff G. H. Horsefall announced tonight his deputies at Waldport, Ore., had captured James F. Bannon, said to be the father of Charles Bannon who today allegedly confessed at Williston, N. D., the murder of the entire Albert E. Haven family.

Horsefall said Bannon drove into an auto camp near Waldport, E. S. Cameron, operator of the camp, checked Bannon's description and that of his car with newspaper accounts and then notified Portland authorities who in turn called Sheriff Horsefall. Horsefall notified his deputies, Z. Z. Copeland and Lee Doty, who arrested Bannon.

The deputies reported Bannon's description tallied with that of the man wanted in North Dakota, the sheriff said. They also reported the car carried North Dakota license number 117-582, said to have been issued to Bannon.

Sheriff Horsefall said his deputies were en route to Toledo with their prisoner.

WATFORD CITY, N. D., Dec. 13.—(AP)—States Attorney J. S. Taylor of McKenzie tonight issued a warrant for first degree murder against James F. Bannon when he received word from Toledo, Ore., of his arrest there.

Taylor then sought to communicate with Gov. George F. Shafer, who is at Williston, to secure extradition papers for the return of Bannon to Watford City, Governor Shafer was at Williston to attend the funeral of his father, who died at Schafer Friday.

Williston, N. D., Dec. 12.—(AP)—Yielding to importunities of his mother and a minister, Charles Bannon, 32-year-old farmer, confessed today, his attorney said, that he slew an entire family of six last February after a quarrel starting over farm chores.

The Haven family had been missing since February 10 last, when young Bannon, with his father, James F. Bannon, took possession of the farm and represented themselves as tenants. The Havens, Bannon said, had moved to Oregon, but close friends of the family became apprehensive through failure to receive any word from them and started an inquiry.

Arrested on a charge of illegally disposing of property from the Haven farm, Bannon made contradictory statements and changed his story repeatedly but was firm in declaring he knew nothing of the family's whereabouts. Later, however, he declared Mrs. Haven had slain the family in a fit of insanity and that he helped bury their bodies.

SMALL BANKS OF MID-WEST CLOSE

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Three more small midwest banks closed today.

In Iowa the Washta State bank, with deposits of \$125,000, was closed by its directors. This was the seventh bank failure in Iowa within a year.

In Illinois, the First National bank of Seneca, capitalized at \$25,000, failed to open for business; in Wisconsin the State Bank of Elroy with deposits of \$469,000, was closed by the state banking department. Two other Wisconsin banks closed for reorganization were reorganized.

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GREAT MEN TARGET OF JEST, JIBES

Gridiron Club Caricatures National Events at Dinner President Attends, and Talk Unreported — Raskob, Prosperity, and Lameducks Hit.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Broad humor joined song and satire at the annual December dinner of the gridiron club tonight as newspapermen painted prominent persons and big events on the canvas of caricature.

President Hoover and the club's other distinguished guests were called upon to banish the cares of state and look lightly upon the problems of public affairs.

The fun-making was launched with a terrific crash of falling crockery echoing through the banquet hall. A member rushed forward and explained to President Charles H. Groves of the Boston Globe that the noise was "only the American Voter voting early Mr. Hoover at the polls November 4."

The president had his opportunity to speak his mind freely before the evening was over, but only those present know what he said. An old established rule is: "Reporters never are present at gridiron club dinners." Senator Robinson, the Democrat floor leader, was the only other speaker.

Senator Fess, chairman of the Republican national committee was portrayed on the field of Waterloo in the guise of Napoleon Bonaparte, astride a restive horse, "Volstead," riding to the front just in time to receive returns of the November elections. With a farewell to his army, he promised to get what were termed his beaten followers' jobs as ambassadors and judges. He assured them that the "old guard dies, but never surrenders—the payroll."

Chairman Raskob of the Democratic national committee, portrayed as a fairy godmother touched a bedraggled Cinderella with a magic wand to have her cliff her rag and step forth royally clad as a symbol of "rejuvenated democracy." The wand was topped with a huge dollar sign.

Prohibition drew attention in a parody entitled, "out where the weeds begin," and in a travesty, "firemen, save me che-ild," "Dr. Liquorham" and Mrs. Mabel Wilberbrand with her grape concentrate tonic were represented as offering to give the "che-ild," but the anti-alcohol league and the W. C. T. U., obviously suspected their intentions.

An offer by Miss Prosperity to sing for a benefit performance for the "unemployed lameducks," of congress was rejected when it was discovered that the young lady had a lip which caused her to pronounce her name "myth prosperity."

Former President Coolidge, in his column workshop, was represented as adding three more words to his already 397 to make his column "an even four hundred dollars."

However the columnist soon was recognized as Mark Foote, Washington correspondent of the Grand Rapids and other Michigan newspapers. He was formally welcomed into the club as a new member.

HOMEGOING FOR PORTLAND REDS

PORTLAND, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Orders of deportation for nine alleged communists arrested here in September were received today by Roy Noren of the immigration office from the department of labor in Washington, D. C. More than 20 alleged members of the party were arrested in a series of raids here. Twelve were found to be aliens and deportation charges were filed against them. The others were charged with violation of the state criminal syndicalism law and are awaiting trial.

The nine whose deportation was ordered included Lambo Miteff, secretary of the Portland unit of the party; Vasil Gosheff, Tom Eyanoff, Englebrecth Nilssen, Mike Genecheff, Claus Struve, Sadiq Jaffer, Miro Lakov and Peter Males.

The Noted Dead

VIENNA, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Dr. Fritz Pregl, noted scientist and winner of the 1923 Nobel prize in chemistry, died today of pleurisy at the age of 61. He was head of the Medical-chemical institute at Graz.