

Forecast: Tonight and Saturday cloudy. No change in temperature.

Temperature table with columns for Highest yesterday, Lowest this morning, Precipitation, To 5 p. m. yesterday, To 5 a. m. today.

Today

By Arthur Brisbane

Letting the Court Die. The World's Copper. Sewed in a Bear Skin. Earth's Strange Motions.

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According to Mussolini, the world is preparing feverishly for war. Therefore, he cannot allow Italy to disarm...

Every other ruler in Europe will say the same thing, excepting some Balkan little countries. They say "fighting is the only occupation worthy of a gentleman."

This country, if it would attend to its own business, keep its defenses in order and keep them MODERN, could save half what it spends on preparation now, and it will be prepared.

Meanwhile, it is a pleasure to hear that the World Court has been postponed for another year. Perhaps that is "letting the old eat die out."

Our government, afraid of Big Business, might learn something from the British. They showed us recently what could be done with rubber making Americans pay outrageously high prices...

And now two great copper companies in Rhodesia combine, making one company of the B'wana M'Kubwa and the N'Changa mines.

Sir Auckland Geddes tells of the great advantages to be had from a well planned trust and is sorry that all companies could not have been put into it.

The British hope to get up a company that will dominate the world. Long ago this column called attention to the effect that copper production in Africa might have on values here.

If the United States would let American copper men, Ryan, Jackling and others that understand the industry, combine to protect the United States interests regardless of an antiquated Sherman law...

Another more cheerful day in Wall Street. Perhaps the bottom of the financial world is not going to fall out after all.

The better feeling comes a little late for many, unfortunately. They must comfort themselves with the old German saying: "Wer gelt hat kann spekulieren. Wer keins hat kann nichts verlieren."

Everything in comparative, even (Continued on Page Four)

Abe Martin



One of the worst combinations is lots of inners an no ability. Dan Cupid is just like any other salesman, best as soon as he sees us up his off of us.

DEMS IRKED BY REFUSAL FOOD LOANS

Heflin Asks Rejection of Relief Compromise When Funds for Farmers' Groceries Eliminated—Many Hungry in South.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The \$215,000,000 agriculture department annual supply bill was passed today by the house and sent to the senate.

The measure carries \$125,000,000 for federal highway aid and \$125,000,000 for forest roads and trails, along with substantial provisions for the weather bureau...

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Senate Democrats bitterly assailed the elimination from the compromise \$45,000,000 drought relief bill today of direct provision for loans to farmers for purchase of personal food...

Senator Barkley, Democrat of Kentucky, asserted that between 100,000 and 200,000 people in the rural sections of Kentucky were hungry. He called attention to the appropriations of food by the United States for the starving in Europe and Russia.

Senator McNary, Republican of Oregon, asked support of the compromise, calling attention to the refusal of the house of the provision for food loans and to an amendment which he said gave the secretary of agriculture authority to make the loans for food in cases of dire emergency.

Barkley said the secretary of agriculture had no accurate information on the situation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The senate bill to create a \$95,000,000 fund to aid farmers through loans to drainage districts and other political subdivisions, was unanimously approved today by the house irrigation committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The house bill to authorize an additional appropriation of \$150,000,000 for the farm board was reported to the senate today, but Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, objected to immediate consideration.

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CONTESTS WILL CANNERY OWNER BUILDING AIDS UPWARD TREND FOR BUSINESS

THE DALLES, Ore., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Contesting the late F. A. Seufert, pioneer cannery operator, was mentally incompetent, his daughter, Mrs. Lily Seufert Rice of Portland, yesterday filed a petition in probate court here contesting his will.

Seufert, who died a year ago, left an estate of \$1,250,000. Mrs. Rice charges her brothers, Arthur, Edward and William J. Seufert with undue coercion and duress in obtaining execution of the will.

The will bequeathed \$50,000 to Mrs. Rice and left the rest of the estate to the executors.

AIRPLANES SEEK BANDITS IN BOG

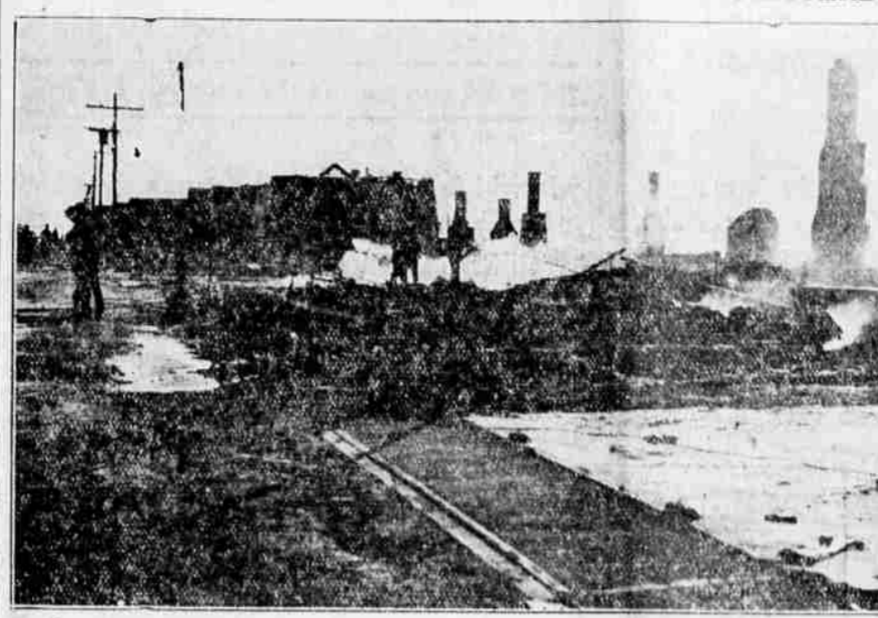
SAFFORD, Ala., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Two airplanes joined the search today for four bank bandits believed hiding in a bog in Chitto county, three miles from here.

The planes circled at low altitude over the two mile stretch of swamp lands while the ground forces of more than 200, composed of national guardsmen, sheriff's deputies and citizens, continued the hunt with a new pack of blood hounds.

FAMOUS OLD THEATER DAMAGED BY BLAZE

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Firemen fought two hours early today to extinguish a fire in the American Music hall at 42nd street and Eighth avenue.

BEACH FIRE DESTROYS HOMES OF FILM PLAYERS



Nineteen residences, many of them belonging to persons prominent in motion pictures, were ruined by fire at Malibu Beach, Cal., with an estimated loss of \$300,000.

NEGRO CONVICT ADMITS KILLING RURAL TEACHER

Fiend Rushed to St. Joseph As Mob Violence Feared—Brutal Story Related to Prosecutor.

MARYSVILLE, Mo., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Declared by county authorities to have confessed slaying 19-year-old Velma Colter, rural school teacher, Raymond Gunn, 30, negro ex-convict was held at St. Joseph, Mo., today where he was rushed to avoid possible mob violence.

This negro was arrested yesterday while hunting. After hours of questioning the suspect, County Attorney Paul R. Jones announced Gunn had confessed. He was spirited away immediately.

The prosecutor said Gunn related how he had met the young teacher at the door of her school room and followed her within when she fled screaming. Jones quoted the ex-convict as saying Miss Colter fought viciously as he attempted to seize her.

Gunn then rushed at her with a club and beat her about the head, the prosecutor said. Teeth marks were visible on the negro's hand when he was arrested.

Gunn was sentenced to a prison term for a crime committed by a young girl attending the north-west Missouri State Teachers' college here, officers said, and had been sought since the murder of Miss Colter Tuesday.

LOS ANGELES AVIATRIX SUCCEUMS TO INJURY

TONOPAH, Nev., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Mrs. Clair Faly, Los Angeles aviatrix, died here today from injuries received in a plane crash Monday.

Mrs. Faly crashed from an altitude of about 50 feet as she was taking off for Los Angeles.

Americans Like Ridicule Says Shaw Explaining Why Sinclair Lewis Is Popular

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The New York Times today prints the following from London: A New York Times correspondent asked George Bernard Shaw for his opinion of Sinclair Lewis's address at Stockholm, in which the Nobel prize winner attacked present literary standards in America.

This is Mr. Shaw's reply as delivered in his own handwriting: "As far as I am qualified to judge, Mr. Sinclair Lewis has said just the right thing in the right way to the Swedish academy, and I do not resent it. They expect to be flattered, but far from being grateful to their flatterers, they accept the tribute as a matter of course, just as they accept the cleaning of their boots at a hotel."

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STAR TREATED HUSBAND LIKE BUTLER, CLAIM

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19.—(AP)—For the fourth time the marriage of Pauline Frederick, stage and screen actress, lay in wreckage today on the shoals of divorce.

Her latest venture in matrimony launched with Hugh C. Leighton, wealthy hotel owner in New York last April, ended yesterday in annulment.

Leighton, being too ill to go to court to prosecute his suit, was granted his freedom after a brief hearing in a superior court convened at his bedside in the Beverly Hills hotel.

"She treated me like a butler," Leighton testified, as he lay propped up on pillows. "I was her husband in name only."

Miss Frederick has not been heard from since the divorce was granted yesterday when Leighton won his suit.

WILL SCAN SITES FOR VETS' HOME

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—General George H. Woods, special representative of Veterans Administration Hines, will leave Washington within the next ten days to inspect sites in northwestern states for the \$2,000,000 soldiers home to be established by the veterans' bureau.

General Woods' itinerary has not been completed but he is expected to visit Oregon, Washington Idaho and other northwestern states.

NEW YORK CENTRAL HAS ORDERED 10 HUDSON TYPE LOCOMOTIVES

Engineering construction contracts awarded throughout the country in the past week recorded gains in every branch of engineering except industrial buildings, engineering new record reports, advancing to \$55,482,000 for the period, lettings compared with a total of \$47,222,000 in the preceding week and \$48,811,000 in the corresponding week last year.

The New York Central has ordered 10 Hudson type locomotives from American Locomotive Co., and ten of the same type from Lima Locomotive. The value of 20 is \$5,000,000.

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The most extremely witnessed only by immediate relatives, was performed by Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick.

GOSSIP BLAMED BY MAGOON FOR DEED IN AFRICA

ASHLAND WOMAN'S SLAYER LEFT NOTE SAYING LIFE INNOCENT, BUT INDISCREET—READ AT INQUEST.

UMTALI, Southern Rhodesia, Africa, Dec. 19.—(AP)—A posthumous statement that he was the innocent target of scandal-mongers was read today at the final inquest on the body of Dr. R. L. Magoon, American big game hunter.

Dr. Magoon's body and that of his wife were found Monday at their home here. A coroner rendered a verdict the hunter had killed his wife and then committed suicide.

"I love my wife dearly," the statement read today said. "She doesn't know that scandal-mongers are responsible. Let this be a lesson to them who hate."

The statement, signed "Roy Leslie Magoon," said the hunter, a dentist, had lived a life "innocent, but indiscreet."

Family Jealous During the last few years, it continued, Dr. Magoon, who formerly lived in Chicago, had engaged two native girls as his assistants. Recently when Mrs. Magoon and her two daughters by a former marriage came to Umtali, they seemed jealous of the native girls, Dr. Magoon wrote.

He then decided, the statement said, to end the lives of all concerned in "an act of mercy." After slaying his wife Dr. Magoon wounded the two native girls. They will recover.

The dentist, Mrs. Magoon, who came to Umtali from Ashland, Oregon, had been married only two months.

The Noted Dead

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Dec. 19.—(AP)—L. C. Christensen, one of the most noted of Danish liberal politicians, died here today at 74. He was many times premier of this country.

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LINDBERGH IS HERO OF PLANE FIRE

Noted Flier Wields Hand Extinguisher to Good Purpose As Flames Threaten Wife and Ship at Baltimore Airport.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh's plane caught fire at Logan field today as he was about to leave for New York with Mrs. Lindbergh, but he extinguished the flames unaided.

Colonel Lindbergh was not in the plane, the motor of which was being warmed up preparatory to the take-off. He ran back to the cockpit, snatched the fire extinguisher, opened the cover covering and began snuffing the chemical into the motor.

National guardsmen rushed to his assistance. During the excitement Mrs. Lindbergh sat quietly in the cockpit.

Later workmen made sure the fire was out by bringing up apparatus at the glasshouse and giving the motor a thorough dose of the chemical.

Wife in Plane. Mrs. Lindbergh was in the cockpit as oil or gasoline on an exhaust pipe caught fire, apparently from backfire. Colonel Lindbergh seized a hand fire extinguisher and put out the flames almost immediately.

Mrs. Lindbergh did not leave the cockpit, as she was reassured the danger was past almost as soon as it appeared.

The plane was taken in charge by mechanics for an examination and it was said it would be ready for flight in about an hour.

Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh were overnight guests at the home of Dr. William H. Wilmer, eye specialist at Johns Hopkins hospital. They flew here yesterday from Washington and visited the clinic named for Dr. Wilmer and Goucher college.

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ONE KILLED WHEN AUTO HITS TREES

COTTAGE GROVE, Ore., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Mrs. Louis K. Schwartz of Cottage Grove was killed and Glen R. Hughes probably fatally injured today when the light roadster in which they were riding skidded on the slippery pavement 15 miles north of here and crashed into a group of trees.

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Visit to Toyla Too Exciting for Philadelphia Lad

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Nine-year-old Alex. Under-Campbell died last night in a small box's motor car. With the thrill of Christmas in his heart he fell dead in the "toyland" of a West Philadelphia department store amid an array of electric trains, airplanes and boats—the things he wanted most for Christmas.

Physicians said death was caused by a cerebral hemorrhage, probably brought on by excitement.

NATIVES DIE AS VOLCANO SPEWS FIRE

White Hot Lava Pours Over Javanese Villages When Long Dormant Crater Springs to Life—Wide Area Devastated by Heat

HAMBURG, Germany, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Professor Werner Boeckhardt, with a European assistant, fell into the crater of the volcano Merapi, in Sumatra, at the moment that it became suddenly eruptive yesterday and perished in the boiling lava.

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 18.—(AP)—A great volcano erupted for eighty years, burst into violent eruption and poured a river of white hot lava upon the little villages at its foot yesterday. Today as the eruption continued it was feared ninety natives had lost their lives.

Those killed were at work in a field near the volcano's base when an avalanche of white hot lava, 70 feet high and 200 yards wide, slid down the mountainside and overwhelmed them before they could escape.

Neighboring valley and farms were covered with the mass of lava, stones and ashes, and a surrounding wide area was devastated by the intense heat.

Rumbings Increase Loud rumbings accompanied the eruption and were last reported increasing although the rain of ashes had subsided somewhat.

The volcano last night presented a terrifying sight. Clouds of black smoke enveloped its summit and flashes of fire shot from the cone. The volcano observation post has spread a warning to residents in a wide area about the same to leave their homes and find places of safety.

The volcano has been in a state of agitation for two weeks but no one anticipated a serious eruption. It was in violent eruption once before, September 14-17, 1849.

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NEW OIL FIELD ENDANGERED BY FLAMING WELL

VIEWORA, Okla., Dec. 19.—(AP)—The South Wesoka oil field, less than two months old with three prolific producers, was endangered here this morning and part of the residential district was evacuated when a well belled to the Desprock Oil Corporation's No. 3 Davie, caught fire.

The well, which caught fire immediately upon being drilled in had a flow of gas estimated at over 20,000,000 feet which blew in a heavy spray of oil.

Townpeople were awakened by the roar which was reported heard more than five miles away. Hundreds hastily dressed and went to the field.

DOCTOR CHARGED WITH YOUNG WOMANS DEATH

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Dr. George H. Beck, Portland physician, was at liberty under \$5000 bail today, charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of Helen Cleator, 20, who died in a hospital here yesterday. The doctor is charged with having performed an illegal operation.

6 DROWNED AS LAUNCH OVERTURNS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Caught in a strong out-running tide, at least six persons, possibly nine, were believed to have drowned when their 25-foot launch capsized late yesterday at the mouth of Tomales bay, 39 miles northwest of San Francisco.

The boat was overturned by a huge wave immediately after an intended rescue craft was upset by one of the women from the disabled launch found on a reef three-quarters of a mile away, searchers hunted for bodies today.

Two men who risked their lives in the unsuccessful attempt to save the party, swam to shore. One of them, Orburn Gray, 25-year-old farmer from Esparto, Yolo county, dragged a woman with him until he was knocked almost unconscious against rocks along the shore. His brother Grant, 21, himself near exhaustion, pulled Orburn through the surf.

Six in Water. Five women and a man from the launch were floundering in the water after the two little boats upset, the Grays said. The possibility that nine persons might have been victims arose when relatives reported two families were missing from the little fishing village of Marshall, not far from where the boats capsized.

The missing persons were Jack Freas, fisherman, and his daughters, Helen and Mary, and Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Augustine and their children, Manuel, Gertrude, Virginia and Daniel.

Freas owned a launch answering the description of the wrecked craft. The Gray brothers said one of the women called to "Tony," who investigators said may have been Mr. Augustine.

Screams Heard. The Gray brothers were fishing with their father, G. W. Gray, Yolo county farmer, when they heard the screams of women on the launch. The young men put out in a small boat, powered by an outboard motor, towards the launch which, with its motor disabled, was being carried rapidly on the tide toward the Pacific ocean.

The Grays threw a 100-foot line to the launch, intending to tow it to shore. When they succeeded in getting it aboard on the third attempt, one of the women seized it. Presumably terror-stricken, she jumped overboard and was hauled into the Grays' little boat. The man was pulled aboard in the same manner.

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