

1930 WAS YEAR FOR BIG NEWS

Science, Disasters, Weather, Business, Politics Crime and Sport Furnished Stories of Interest—Taft Death Outstanding.

Editor's Note—What were the news stories that appealed most to the average American reader in 1930? Charles E. Honce, executive news editor of the Associated Press, in the following story recounts some of the year's outstanding news "breaks."

NEW YORK (AP)—There is a saying that nothing is deader than yesterday's newspaper.

The big stories of yesterday are forgotten as the latest murder and the latest disaster spread their screaming headlines across the nation's newspapers.

But all these important things of yesterday live in some manner—in record books, in newspaper morgues, eventually in history.

Take the case of Bobby Jones, for instance. He won all the major golf honors this year, and then, with no further worlds to conquer, abdicated and decided to go into the movies so his millions of followers might see how he did it.

There really are six stories revolving around one personality, and those six stories will be enshrined in the records of sport.

In movies they use the flash-back. Let's flash the scene 25 years ahead and find out what Charles Augustus Lindbergh, Jr., is doing.

Will be a great aviator or promoting aeronautics like his father? That prospective career is one reason why the birth of Lindbergh Jr., in 1930 was an outstanding news event.

Remote Planet Found American astronomers in Flagstaff, Ariz., crowning years of sky-search, discovered this year an outer, remote planet, which was promptly named Pluto, and that event will live forever in astronomy annals.

Birth and life and death—three mysteries and three sources of news. We've already recorded a birth. On the 1930 scroll is recorded the death of Willia Howard Taft, who once was president, but who achieved the height of his ambition as Chief Justice of the United States.

News is the strangest thing in the world. No man can approach the extraordinary, the horrible, the incredible happenings of everyday life.

Sudden Tragedy Who could conceive, for example, the tremendous tragedy of the Ohio penitentiary fire in which 300 prisoners were burned to death.

Who could forecast the great American drought of 1930, which parched meadows and fields, dried up rivers, caused a loss of more than one billion dollars and affected the lives of a million farm families.

Business depression was foreshadowed by the stock market crash of last year, but its effects, and the efforts to promote relief and bring back prosperity provided a big human interest story.

Gangland Attacked Probably one of the big news events of the closing months of the year was the government's assault on gangland. The gang situation was brought to a head in time by the slaying in Chicago of Alfred Lingle, a newspaper reporter.

And in mid-December came a news story that provoked widespread discussion—the decision of William Clark, federal judge in New Jersey, holding the Eighteenth amendment invalid.

Let's close with a pleasant piece of news—the race for the America's cup between Enterprise and Sir Thomas Lipton's Shamrock V.

The veteran Irish sportsman did not have a chance for the America's cup, but he did get a cup anyway—one from American citizens as a testimonial to his good sportsmanship.

The year 1930 has seen a tremendous growth in the gas business in Medford, according to managers of the Southern Oregon Gas corporation. To take care of the increase in business the corporation has quadrupled the capacity of the transmission lines at an expense of \$16,000. To tie in with the demands a gas storage tank was installed at Stewart avenue and the Pacific Highway at a cost of \$5,000.

A steam driven, duplex type compressor has also been added to the plant during the past year costing approximately \$10,000.

MORE TOURISTS FIND THIS IDEAL VACATION LAND

Crater National Forest Figures Show 275,331 Visitors Current Year—Rogue Attracts.

Considerably ahead of last year's mark, figures from the Crater National forest headquarters office in Medford show there were 275,331 visitors in the forest during 1930. Of this number, 157,693 passed through en route to the Crater Lake national park, recording the largest number of visitors in the history of the park. Thousands of the visitors in the forest were tourists attracted by the nation-wide reports of the great outdoors of the southern Oregon section, with its fishing and hunting.

Visitors Classified The visitors are classified as follows: Special use permittees and guests, 1119; hotel and resort guests, 19,365; campers, 12,109; picnickers, 10,759; transient motorists, 236,096. The number of visitors by mode of transportation are as follows: Auto exclusive of stage lines, 272,509; stage line, 2009; hikers, 426; wagons and horses, 405.

The different resorts attracted visitors as follows: Lake of the

Cozy New Summer Cabin on Rogue River



Attractive summer cabin of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Nichol, built during 1930 on the banks of the famous Rogue river, 25 miles from Medford. The Rogue is one of the west's most popular angling streams and cabins, similar to this cozy summer home, line its banks.

Woods, 3750; Fish Lake, 7,000; Dead Indian Soda Springs, 1275; all others in Dead Indian section, 2909; Klamath district, 1350; highway to south entrance of Crater Lake park, 62,187; east park entrance, 83,506; all others in Klamath district, 400; Union Creek, 12,075; Huckleberry Mountain, 2390; Crater Lake highway in Rogue river district, 79,121; Diamond lake road, 10,090; all others in Rogue river district, 2225; Applegate, 5350.

Rogue Attracts. The Rogue river is one of the big attractions of southern Oregon and in summer tourists come for many hundreds of miles to enjoy its fishing. Quite a number of Californians have established summer homes along the river, representing an investment said to be near the million dollar mark. This

is in addition to the many summer homes maintained along the river by Medford and other valley residents, quite a number of whom also have summer homes at Diamond Lake, Lake of the Woods, Union Creek and other resorts.

The real truth about Bishop Manning and ex-Judge Lindsey is that they are not one bit companionate.—Springfield Union.

Berlin Youth Brings Jazz Into His 'Columbus' Opera

BERLIN (AP)—A 20-year old Berlin youth has brought jazz-age flourishes to the German operatic stage.

The youthful composer, Erwin Dressel, now has brought out a parodic opera after the Gilbert and Sullivan style—and Christopher Columbus is his hero.

Already Dressel has three operatic successes to his credit, and his present opera, "Poor Columbus," was composed when he was 17. Dressel makes no attempt to adapt his music to the time of the play—1491 or thereabouts—for jazz and the fox trot seem to flourish at the proud Spanish court.

The saxophone and even the musical saw are called into operation to produce the light lilting melodies in which the piece abounds.

Some German critics are inclined to think the discoverer's historic character is treated with too much levity. There is no hint of a denial or even an implied doubt that Columbus discovered America.

But that was not the purpose of Arthur Zweigler, who wrote the book. The sub-title reads "The Prelude to a Discovery."

"Poor Columbus" is represented here as a rather greedy money-grabber, a boaster of no scientific attainments. In fact he cuts anything but a heroic figure until the last scene when the skyscrapers of New York furnish a brilliant background to a grand apotheosis.

The opera, which already has been performed in the provinces, had a somewhat mixed reception at its first Berlin production at the municipal opera house, Charlottenburg, but the ayes seemed to have it at the finish.

of dentistry in Columbia university. Teeth which are healthy internally resist decay even if they receive no external care, Dr. Bodecker says. If a way could be found to assure the teeth enough of the mineral salts they need to resist mouth acids, decay would be greatly retarded, he believes.

Civilized nation: One that cheerfully spends billions to kill men but can't think up a way to care for the jobless.—Tucson Citizen.

MINERAL SALTS RESIST TOOTH DETERIORATION

NEW YORK (AP)—Teeth are much less liable to decay if the blood brings them enough mineral salts that counteract mouth acids from within.

That is a theory developed by Dr. Charles F. Bodecker, professor

MEDFORD UNITS OF GUARD HAVE SPLENDID YEAR

Company A and Headquarters Outfit Full Strength—Training Given Members.

Medford has two units of the Oregon National Guard, Company A, 186th Infantry, and Headquarters Company 3rd Bn, 186th Infantry. Both organizations have their headquarters in the splendid and well-equipped Armory, which was built a few years ago at a cost of \$80,000.

Regular drills are held on each Tuesday evening, and at the present time both organizations are recruited up to their full strength, and Company A has a waiting list.

The year just past has been one of the most successful in training in the history of the organization.

Members of the National Guard derive many benefits from their training along military and physical lines, and besides the members are paid for drill attendance, and once a year are given a trip to Camp Clatsop, located between Seaside and Astoria, an ideal camp site, with all expenses paid.

The personnel of the Medford units of the National Guard are:

Company A roster: Captain, Carl V. Tengwald; first lieutenant, George F. Lindley; second lieutenant, Bruce W. Moffatt; first sergeant, Weldon H. McBoe; sergeants, Harold L. Gebhard, Donald F. Herriott, Reuben H. Hise, Charles O. Reed, Oscar E. Sabin, Virgil A. Swanson, Charles D. Wiley.

Corporals, Don C. Denman, Robert A. Forbes, Ralph E. Glem, Malcolm E. Jones, Roy F. Hewitt, Ernest E. Newton, Byron V. Turner, Donald J. Welch, Frank F. Wright.

First class privates, Wallace S. Beasley, Alfred W. Coko, Paul L. Corvlin, Dallas Grove Jr., Ben L. Runnels, Arthur L. Schatz, August B. Singler, Edward C. Welch, Dennis W. Wood.

Privates, Lester C. Beal, Earl L. Brewold, Burel R. Brown, Robert T. Burgess, Preston J. Card, Harland H. Clark, Raymond M. Clark, John L. Coko, William P. Craute, Edward V. Daugherty, Wallace G. Dutton, Gilbert L. Fehl, Wilbur G. Fehl, Clyde C. Fichtner, Loren P. Fitzgerald, Leroy J. Flemming, Victor G. Gibbons, Mirle J. Haas, Glenn A. Hanscom, Albert L. James, Fred H. James, Seely L. Johnson, Alton B. Lindley, Bruce M. Merrifield, Charles R. Newlin, Albert J. Noster, Harold A. Pence, Edward E. Robinson, John H. Schreengost, Andrus H. Smith, Leroy A. Smith, Mark N. Smith, Leroy L. Stage, Wayne W. White.

Headquarters Company Authorized personnel of Headquarters Company 3rd Battalion, 186th Infantry, commissioned officers: Major Ralph P. Cowell, commanding; First Lieutenant, Barrill M. Batcom, commanding Headquarters Company 3rd Battalion, and Second Lieutenant William G. Laidley, commanding communications platoon Headquarters Company 3rd Battalion 186th Infantry.

Enlisted men: Staff Sergeant James Grigsby, company headquarters; Philip Lounsbury, quartermaster; sergeant, John Martin Schneck, intelligence sergeant; Clifford Hubbard, signal sergeant; Ray Fribble, duty sergeant, Company Headquarters; Vern Newton, scout corporal; Corporal Albert Forman, message center chief; Corporal John Young, radio chief; Corporal Fred Christman, wire chief; Private First Class Robert Christensen, observer-operator; Private First Class Edwin Stanwood, switchboard operator; Privates Thoburn Glem, radio operator; Borden Hillyer, intelligence operator; radio; Harry Hillyer, message center operator; Howard Horner, telephone operator; Donald Schader, intelligence operator; Kenneth Nichols, specialist communications.

Total—5 officers; 17 enlisted men.

SCIENCE RECORDS YEAR'S PROGRESS

Pluto, the ninth planet, discovered.

Electrons found to move around centers of atoms in vapory clouds, and centers of atoms have a wave motion.

Einstein finds connection between gravity and electricity and declares "space is eating up matter."

Evidence found that men lived in North America at least 20,000 years ago.

Radioactive minerals give new clue to earth's age.

Leprosy bacillus cultivated artificially, is claim.

Secrets of Atlantic ocean's weather sought in interior of Greenland.

Mrs. Freeman F. Gooden and Mrs. Charles J. Correll, wives of "Amos" and "Andy," draw salaries as listeners and critics of their husbands' radio entertainment each evening.

Increased tobacco production this year is reported by Kentucky and North Carolina.

Don't peek on the increased income tax. Be glad you must pay one.—Omaha World-Herald.