

Today

By Arthur Brisbane. Big State, Big Country. Grace Sparkes Territory. Ed McGinley and Grandma Gray. 16 Railroad Presidents.

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PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 15.—They teach you to be energetic in this big state. On the Santa Fe "Chief" you are awakened at 4 to get off at Ashfork, at ten minutes to 5. Hospitable citizens, Messrs. Hanna, Murray and Shirley, are there to welcome you and drive you to Prescott in a Fred Harvey Cadillac. The driver, wearing a ten-gallon hat, gives you new ideas of speed, around the curves of Hassayampa Trail, with nothing much between you and Eternity waiting 10,000 feet below in the canyon.

"A good car 32,000 miles, valves ground, spark plugs cleaned once, brakes relined once and nothing else," says the taciturn driver.

Stars in Arizona are amazingly bright, one toward the east must have been made especially for this state. It makes the envious thin moon look pale.

At Prescott, which used to be Fort Whipple, where Uncle Sam fought the Apaches, Miss Grace Sparkes, secretary of the chamber of commerce, is waiting at the Hassayampa hotel, where 150 gather for breakfast at 6:45.

"We'd be more," said Miss Sparkes, "only we were all at an unemployment relief party until late this morning."

Everybody's health in Arizona seems good. For breakfast large pork chops, pancakes with a quarter pound of jelly rolled in each; bacon, hot biscuit, jet black coffee.

Wishing to make some feeble impression at such a gathering you mention a 7000-acre place in the state of New Jersey.

"Suppose you know," says Grace Sparkes, "that Yvapai county, in which you now are is as big as the whole state of New Jersey, and that's after cutting five other Arizona counties out of Yvapai, and there is another county, Coconino, containing the Grand Canyon, bigger than this."

L. L. Ruffner, president of the chamber of commerce, undertaker by profession, is able to devote his whole time to the public because the extraordinary good health of Yvapai gives him nothing to do professionally, unless some eastern-

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Abe Martin



Will Binkley has traded his sister's farm for a new torpedo shaped racin' car. Their hair's nothin' as demoralizin' as a holiday.

C. P. BOY IS MAIMED BY WAR RELIC

Explosion Tears Hand From Albert Hoffman While Playing With Shrapnel—Fragment Enters Abdomen—Spine Shattered.

Albert Hoffman, 16, of Central Point, lies in the Community hospital in a critical condition this afternoon with his right hand mangled, several vertebrae shattered, his intestines perforated and his skin discolored with powder burns as the result of an explosion, which occurred about 10 o'clock this forenoon, when the boy was playing with a war relic, said to be shrapnel.

Young Hoffman was playing with a friend in the basement at the Virtue home at Central Point. He picked up what he thought was a piece of lead, pounded it on a rock and the substance exploded, blowing off his right hand; one fragment entered his abdomen on the left side, perforated his intestines, and continued through to lodge in his spinal column, after shattering several vertebrae.

He was brought to the Community hospital at 11 o'clock and was rushed into the surgery. Many internal stitches were taken but the metal was not removed from his vertebrae. Some hope for his recovery was reported this afternoon. Dr. R. W. Steeter and Dr. Edward Durno are physicians on the case.

LUMBER MILLS PRODUCTION AT LOWEST FIGURE

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 16.—(AP) For the week ending January 10, 243 mills reporting to the West Coast Lumbermen's association, operated at 33.58 per cent of capacity, the association said today, compared with 50.78 per cent for the same week last year and an average of 49 per cent during the last three months of 1930.

SELLING FUNERAL SET FOR SUNDAY

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 16.—(AP) Funeral services will be held Sunday for Ben Selling, 78, one of Oregon's best citizens. He died at a hospital here yesterday from bronchial pneumonia.

Services will be held at 12 o'clock noon, Sunday at Temple Beth Israel. Interment will be in the Beth Israel cemetery.

STANFIELD SUED FOR COLLECTION OF NOTE

PORTLAND, Jan. 16.—(AP) A suit for \$100,000 against Robert N. Stanfield, former United States Senator from Oregon, was on in federal court here today.

TEXTILE WORKERS OF BRITAIN FACE LOCKOUT

LONDON, Eng., Jan. 16.—(AP) Negotiations instituted by government officials in an effort to settle the Lancashire cotton dispute broke tonight and it was announced that a general lockout, immediately affecting 250,000 weavers, would begin tomorrow.

CLARA BOW ACCUSES EX-SECRETARY OF BLACKMAIL



Daisy de Boe (left) and her attorney, Nathan D. Freedman, in Los Angeles court where Miss de Boe, former secretary of Clara Bow, was tried on grand theft charges. Miss Bow, (right) in disguise in district attorney's office, alleged her former secretary took \$16,000 from her bank account and from the witness stand accused Miss de Boe of attempted blackmail.

TALK IN SENATE BALKS EFFORT OF RED CROSS

President Hoover Told Organization Embarrassed in Plea for Drought Relief Funds.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(AP) Officials of the American Red Cross informed President Hoover today the organization is being seriously embarrassed in its plea for a \$10,000,000 drought relief fund by proposals in the senate that congress appropriate and give money to the Red Cross.

LEGGIE FOR SCHOOL BONDS AND PLAN WIN BY BIG MARGIN

Superintendent E. H. Hedrick and members of the Medford school board were enthusiastic this morning in their expression of appreciation of the splendid majority given the \$65,000 bond issue and school building program in the election held at the junior high school building yesterday.

PLUNGE OF TRUCK KILLS YREKA MAN

As a result of a truck crash last night on the Pacific highway near Dunsmuir, Calif., Otis McDowell, Medford, is in a critical condition at the Dunsmuir hospital. A Yreka resident, whose name was not learned here, was killed.

BUSINESS WOMAN IS STRANGLERED BY YOUTH

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—(AP) Miss Eppie Moss, 41, a department manager for a wholesale jewelry, was found strangled to death yesterday in a garage at the rear of her home. A piece of rope was wound tightly about her throat.

BROOKLYN PRO TAKES AGUA CALIENTE LEAD

AGUA CALIENTE, Mexico, Jan. 16.—(AP) Whitey Cox, Brooklyn professional, jumped into the lead in the Agua Caliente \$25,000 open golf tournament, shooting a 59 today for the third round, giving him a total of 218 for the 54 holes. He was the last to finish.

DROP CLARA FROM NEW MOVIE ROLE

Gary Cooper Gets New Feminine Lead Through Action of Paramount—Court Scandal Behind Move Is Belief in Hollywood.

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Jan. 16.—(AP)—Clara Bow was removed from the position of a co-star with Gary Cooper in the film, "City Streets," by officials of the Paramount-Public corporation today. In the part that was to have been filled by the red-headed "it" girl, Sylvia Sydney, recently of the New York stage, will appear.

LEGGE FOR IMPORT BAN UPON GRAIN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(AP) Chairman Legge today endorsed the Burtress bill for a two-year embargo on wheat, feed grains and butter.

SENATORS ENDORSE ROSEBURG VET SITE

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 16.—(AP) The senate joint resolution endorsing Roseburg as the site of the National Soldiers' Home, introduced by Senators B. L. Eddy, and Representatives B. F. Nichols and Walter S. Fisher, was passed by the state legislature yesterday.

HIRE SLAYER FAINTS AS DOOM PRONOUNCED

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 16.—(AP) Benjamin F. Brown, slumping in a near faint as he heard the pronouncement, was sentenced today to be hanged for the shotgun slaying of Mrs. Merle Ellis. His co-defendant, Merle Ellis, had been sentenced only to life imprisonment as the result of the jury's recommendation in his trial and conviction.

SLIM MEN IN GREEN GARB Fashion Edict For Summer

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 16.—(AP)—Here is how the well dressed man will look in the spring and summer of 1931, as decreed by the International Association of Clothing Designers.

BEBE DANIELS SIGNED FOR LONG CONTRACT

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—(AP)—The signing of Bebe Daniels to a long-term starring contract was announced today by Warner Brothers. The actress is to make four motion pictures a year for her employers. Miss Daniels, who is "free lance" is at present working in a Warner Brothers picture.

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4th Dakotan Writes Poetry About Climate

FARGO, N. D., Jan. 16.—(AP) Folklore enthusiasts, harking in the warm January sun, have been reading about the cold weather "down east." Yesterday, a local poet burst into song:

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SENIOR SHEPPARD CLAIMS Clause Will Remain in Constitution—Repeat Would Loose Evils On Country.

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WETS FORGET EVILS

Those who claim for the restoration of legalized liquor have short memories or no knowledge of the lawlessness and corruption for which legalized liquor stood," Sheppard said.

HAVANA PUBLISHER TO BE EXPELLED

HAVANA, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Twenty-one years of effort in Cuba's journalistic field by John T. Wilford, owner and publisher of the Havana American, approached their end today as an order decreeing his expulsion from the republic awaited president Machado's signature.

Quake in Mexico

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 16.—(AP) Eight earthquakes lasting for 2 1/2 minutes were felt here shortly after noon today. No damage was reported.

HEARING ON ROGUE BILL WEDNESDAY

Oregon Solons Clear Decks for Action in Remainder of 40-Day Session—History Made On Opening Day of Legislature.

SALEM, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Representatives of the game and commercial fishing interests, which are pitted sharply against each other over the bill proposing the closing of Rogue river to commercial fishing, are expected to come to Salem in large numbers next Wednesday for the public hearing set for Wednesday night in the senate chamber, or, if the attendance is large enough, in the hall of representatives.

The Jackson county game interests will be represented, among others, by T. E. Daniels of Medford, while Ralph Cowgill, also of Medford, will represent the game interests in general. Cowgill has been about the state house constantly since the session opened, his main interest being the Rogue river bill.

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Statute making history is expected during the next five weeks of the limited 40-day session. The week saw the passing of the Norblad regime and the inauguration of the Meier administration. It heard recommendations for the new legislation in the first address of the new governor, and reports of dozen of more power and utility measures in the making known as administration bills. It saw the addition of two new house committees to handle the utilities and re-apportionment proposals, and the completion of the full roster of 30 senators and 60 representatives.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—I am here for relief. You got to come and get it personally. You can't do it through your Senator or Congressman. They are worse off than we are. Times are so hard they are allowing constituents into their private lunch rooms to buy their representatives meals.

Congress hasn't done anything in so long that even the lobbyists that work on commissions are starving and hollering for personal aid. Congress Wednesday turned down the \$15,000,000 food bill, and passed \$15,000,000 "to improve entrances to national parks." You can get a road anywhere you want to out of the government but you can't get a sandwich.

Well, in two years there won't be a poor farm, that won't have a concrete road leading up to it. I am staying all night with 'em tonight, but I am sleeping in my overcoat.

Will Rogers