

The Weather
Tonight and Thursday cloudy;
probably with rain; moderate tem-
perature.
Highest yesterday 69
Lowest this morning 42

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Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

A PORTLAND deputy sheriff halts two automobile thieves, and is shot down. The thieves, after shooting the officer, make their escape.

READING this in our newspapers, we have a sigh of apprehension and say to ourselves: "What is this modern world coming to? Isn't it terrible how crime is spreading?"

IT IS terrible, of course. Crime is always terrible.

But here is the point: Crime isn't any more terrible now than it has always been, nor is it any more prevalent, in all probability.

If we had figures running back for a thousand years, which we HAVEN'T, these figures would probably show us that in proportion to the population there is no more crime now than in the past.

"BUT," you say, "these fellows who killed this Portland deputy sheriff were YOUNG MEN. Surely you'll have to admit that more young men are committing crimes now than ever before."

CAIN was a young man, wasn't he, when he killed his brother Abel?

ALEXANDER was a young man when he set out from Macedonia to conquer the world.

He was just barely past his twenties when, after having conquered what in those days of inadequate knowledge passed as the world, he drank himself to death.

YOU may protest that Alexander the Great was not a criminal.

Let's see about that. When he set out upon his world-conquering enterprise, the HUMAN MIND, for the first time in the history of the world, was just beginning to assert itself in Greece.

Under the patronage of Philip, Alexander's father, Aristotle, whom we know as the father of science, had just begun to make real progress with what we know now as the scientific method—that is, he was just beginning to go out and organize facts.

Literature, art and science were advancing rapidly.

ALEXANDER's conquest turned the thought of the world from literature, art and science back to war and bloodshed and destruction and gave a definite check to the activities of the human mind which were getting such a notable start in Greece. If that wasn't crime, WHAT IS crime?

THERE is a definite school of thought which insists that the world is growing steadily worse—that the only truly GOLDEN days were the good old days of the past.

This writer, who is an incurable optimist, has no patience with that gloomy school of thought. The world ISN'T getting worse.

It is growing steadily better.

THERE isn't any more crime in the world, in proportion to population, than there always has been, and criminals are NO YOUNGER now, on the average, than criminals always have been.

Because of better facilities for the transmission of news, we merely HEAR MORE of what is going on than was heard in the past, and so we jump at conclusions.

In this writer's opinion, they are WRONG conclusions.

DESCHUTES and Lake counties, in Eastern Oregon, protest against the spending of FOUR or FIVE MILLION dollars to build a THIRD road from Portland to the beaches when there are already TWO good roads, both of them paved.

These counties insist that before expensive luxuries such as this third highway to the beaches are under-

Mounting Sales Show Newspaper Best Ad Medium

NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—(AP)—Newspaper advertising will open more doors to prosperity than will any other method of advertising or sales promotion, a statement today by Howard Dexter, sales manager of the Petroleum Heat & Power Co., manufacturers of oil burners said. He pointed out that instead of cutting down its advertising appropriation, when the country was overtaken by the business slump, the company increased its newspaper advertising, with the result that sales have mounted steadily, with this year's business showing an increase of 103 per cent over last year.

GUN ACCIDENT TAKES LIFE OF LAD ON RANCH

Lawrence Kline, 6, Victim of Weapon in Hands of Little Playmate Near 401 Ranch—Shot Tear Face

Lawrence Willard Kline, six, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd M. Kline of the 401 ranch section, was added to Jackson county's list of casualties, resulting from accidental discharge of guns in the hands of children yesterday. He died at the Sacred Heart hospital last night shortly after 6 o'clock from the effects of wounds inflicted by the discharge of a 12-gauge shotgun fired by Emory Culbertson, 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Culbertson.

The accident occurred about 3 o'clock when the children were playing in a field about nine miles north east of Medford. The Culbertson boy had taken the gun from his father, while his mother was away and his father, who has a night job in this city, was sleeping. The little Kline boy believed he had run in front of the gun just as it was fired by the other youth, who was aiming it through the tall grass. The shot struck below Lawrence's right eye, tearing away the flesh of his face and neck.

Tells of Tragedy
The Culbertson youth reported the tragedy to his older brother, Tom, who was in the house awaiting the completion of a load of fruit to be trucked in to Medford. Frantic with grief and covered with his playmate's blood the boy threatened to take his own life. The gun was thrust from him and the older Culbertson ran to the field to find the Kline child bleeding badly.

The little boy was rushed to the Grant Service Station, where an ambulance arrived and brought him to the Sacred Heart hospital where he died about three hours later.

Shot Not Heard
Both Mrs. Culbertson and Mrs. Kline had come into Medford to shop when the accident occurred. Kline was also away from home, working at the 401 ranch. Tom Culbertson was listening to the radio and did not hear the shot.

The little boy leaves his parents and one brother, and one sister, Boyd, and Mary Reba, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Catey of Central Point and Wm. Kline of this vicinity. Funeral services will be conducted from the Peril funeral home Friday at 2 p. m., with Rev. Claude B. Porter in charge. Interment in Central Point cemetery.

GUGGENHEIM SEES SILVER IN FRONT

NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—(AP)—Simon Guggenheim, president of the American Smelting and Refining company, on his return from Europe said that of all metals, silver appeared destined at the moment for the greatest future.

"As a direct result of the economic disturbances all over the world and the suspension of the gold standard in most European countries he said, 'I believe that silver will come into its own. It is necessary and most countries, including Great Britain, are beginning to realize its importance in value.'"

RHEA LUPER NABBED AS DRUNKEN DRIVER

PORTLAND, Sept. 30.—(AP)—Rhea Luper, former state engineer, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated at 3 a. m. today when police saw him back over a curb on the east side. Bail was set at \$100.

The arresting officers reported Luper fought with them all the way to the police station. They said he fled when they reached him, falling between two parked cars and cutting his head.

His car was left in charge of his wife. Luper told police he had been on a party.

Gold Hill Cement Plant in Operation

The Portland Beaver cement plant at Gold Hill, after a week's shutdown to make alterations in the machinery and storage rooms, resumed operations today. The plant will operate, according to present plans, until the latter part of November, employing in the neighborhood of 100. The present operations are for the replenishment of store room stock.

O. S. C. Enrollment Under Last Year

CORVALLIS, Ore., Sept. 30.—(AP)—Enrollment at Oregon State college at the end of the first day of class work and the second day of upper class registration, reached 2913 as compared to 3125 on the corresponding day last year. Registration is still far from complete, as last year's record shows 209 students enrolled after this date.

FLOODS DEVASTATE CENTRAL CHINA



Aerial views like those the Lindberghs saw in their flight over flood stricken China. Above, fire destroys the Texas Company's million-dollar storage plant at Hankow, despite the inundation. Below, part of the countless miles of flooded villages.

TRIO WOUNDED IN SHOOTING AFFRAY AT FAIR GROUNDS

SALEM, Sept. 30.—(AP)—Ernest Farron, 30, of Harrah, Wash., who was critically wounded late yesterday in a shooting affair at the stables on the Oregon state fair grounds, was resting easy today, hospital attendants reported. Chances for his recovery were raised this morning, they said.

Farron was shot through the chest in an altercation with Charles Ward, Condon, who is being held by police on an open charge pending the development of Farron's condition. Police stated Ward admitted shooting, but claimed it was self-defense. In the altercation Ward shot himself in the hand, and Roy McQueen of Sunnyside, who attempted to stop the fight, was shot in the shoulder. Neither of the two men was injured seriously.

Ward admitted the shooting when questioned last night by District Attorney John Carson. Ward said Farron had been drinking and came to him for more liquor. When informed he had none, Ward said, Farron began striking him with his fists.

British Emergency Program Complete Within Seven Days

LONDON, Sept. 30.—(AP) Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald informed the house of commons today that parliament will adjourn next Wednesday.

By Wednesday, Mr. MacDonald said parliament will have completed the emergency program laid out by the national government when it took office. Both the economy bill, carrying out retrenchments all along the line of government expenditure, and Chancellor Philip Snowden's supplementary budget will be enacted in the next seven days.

La Grande Would Reinstate Ousted Chief of Police

LA GRANDE, Ore., Sept. 30.—(AP)—Petitions were being signed here today for the reinstatement of A. C. Haynes as chief of police.

Otherwise the political situation appeared quiet after a hectic period of changes in the lineup of the city administration.

The trouble started when A. B. Cherry, city manager, discharged Haynes, appointing John Crawford in his place. That night Cherry resigned and the city commissioners appointed Angus McAllister to succeed him. McAllister then ousted Crawford and appointed James Steffen as temporary chief.

British Jobless Mix With Bobbies

LONDON, Sept. 30.—(AP)—British unemployed clashed with police again today as cases arising from a demonstration near the house of commons last night were heard in the Bow street police court.

While the court was sitting, a section of the crowd tried to break through a police cordon. The crowd was pushed back and order restored.

LA GRANDE HUNTER KILLED TOO MANY

BAKER, Ore., Sept. 30.—(AP)—W. E. Fields of La Grande was fined \$200 in justice court here today after having been convicted yesterday of killing two deer. A jail sentence of 30 days will be suspended upon payment of the fine. He was convicted of killing one deer in Union county and another in Baker county.

G. O. P. CHIEFTAINS TO RALLY FORCES FOR HOOVER RACE

Coolidge Proposal for Solid Front in Support of President Centers Interest of Republican Party Heads

By Francis M. Stephenson

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—(AP)—The proposal of Calvin Coolidge for "a solid front in support of the president" is to be the hub about which republican organization leaders will rally their forces for renomination of Herbert Hoover.

The veteran party pilots for the most part accept Mr. Coolidge's copy-righted article in the Saturday Evening Post disclaiming any interest in his immediate return to the presidency as definitely eliminating him from next year's political race.

But the appeal of the former president for "party loyalty" is viewed with less warmth among republican independents of the northwest who have opposed some of the major Hoover policies.

Brookhart Balks
Senator Brookhart, republican, of Iowa, called for a "progressive program and a progressive candidate," after reading the Coolidge article. He mentioned as possible candidates Senators Borah of Idaho; Norris of Nebraska; Johnson of California; La Follette of Wisconsin, and Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania.

Also, there were a few in the republican congressional fold of regulars who kept their silence on the Coolidge declaration. They intimated privately their belief that the former president must not yet be counted out of the 1932 contest.

However, republican stalwarts such as Senator Watson of Indiana, the floor leader; Senator Fess of Ohio, the national chairman; and Representative Wood of Indiana, chairman of the appropriations committee, looked back over 50 years of political hiving for Mr. Coolidge to do and the thing for the party to do now was to renominate Herbert Hoover.

Mr. Coolidge in his article said, in part: "Implication Considered
"Those who are suggesting, under the present disturbed conditions in our country and in the world, that a former president should use his prestige to attempt to secure a nomination against a president of his own party, probably have not stopped to consider fully what would be implied by such a course."

"It has been my purpose to refrain

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NEXT CONGRESS IN DEMOCRATIC GRIP DECLARES SHOUSE

Chairman Sees Missouri Selection of Johnson As Evidence of People's Discontent — Want Change

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—(AP)—Jouett Shouse, chairman of the Democratic national executive committee, today reiterated his belief that the Democrats would organize the next congress.

He said in a statement that the result in the seventh Missouri district where Robert D. Johnson was elected yesterday was "but another evidence of the discontent of the people with the rule of the Republican party and of the nation-wide determination to rebuke that party which has made so continuously the boast of enduring prosperity under its rule."

"The result speaks for itself," he said. "It gives an adequate reflex on the agricultural west toward the Republican party as at present constituted and directed."

Elections Hold Key
Six special elections in five states hold the key to control of the next house, although death again may intervene.

Selection of Johnson in Missouri again threw the house membership into a deadlock, barely 60 days before congress convenes. Each party now has 214 members as compared with 218 Republicans and 216 democrats after the November elections last year.

Seats at stake in the special elections, all of which will have been held by the night of November 3, are:

Republican
First Ohio district, succeeding Nicholas Longworth.

First Wisconsin district, succeeding B. J. Cooper.

Eighth Michigan district, succeeding B. J. Vincent.

Second Pennsylvania district, succeeding G. S. Graham.

Democratic
Seventh New York (Brooklyn) district, succeeding M. J. O'Malley.

Twentieth Ohio district, succeeding C. A. Mooney.

Holding the balance of power, if the Democrats retain their own New York and Ohio districts and capture one of the four Republican seats to give each 217, is Representative Kvale, Minnesota Farmer-Laborite. The Democrats are most hopeful of winning the seat vacated by the death of Nicholas Longworth.

Pear Markets

NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—(Special to Rogue River Valley Traffic Assn.)—Two carloads California Bartlett's auctioned here today, averaging \$3.45 per box, and 8 carloads California Bose averaged \$2.63.

One carload Washington Anjou averaged \$2.73, XP, and \$2.55, F.

Two Washington Flemish Beauty averaged \$2.03.

Oregon pears as follows:

	Low	High	Avg.
Picopac Seckle			
halves, F.	—	—	\$2.10
Glen Rosa Anjou			
180 smaller	\$2.30	\$3.05	2.71
Glen Ivy Anjou			
180 smaller	1.70	2.30	2.14
Pinnacle Bose, XP	2.70	3.25	2.93
Pinnacle Bose, F.	2.45	2.75	2.64
Glen Rosa Bose, 180			
smaller	—	—	2.28
Glen Ivy Bose, 180			
smaller	—	—	2.03
Del Rio Bartlett			
XP	2.70	3.55	2.92
Fifth Ave. Bart. B.	2.70	3.50	2.90
Bear Creek, XP	3.50	3.80	3.61
Bear Creek, F.	3.10	3.35	3.25
Bear Creek, halves			
XP	—	—	2.29

WOUND FATAL FOR PENDLETON HUNTER

PENDLETON, Ore., Sept. 30.—(AP)—Walter H. Hofstetter, local harness-maker, died last night in a local hospital following a hunting accident on Tuesday afternoon six miles north of Pendleton. Hofstetter was crawling through a fence to get a better shot at a coyote when his rifle discharged, practically blowing one hand off and badly injuring a foot.

Lindberghs Land At Hankow From Survey of Flood

HANKOW, China, Sept. 30.—(AP) Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh and Dr. Boric, health expert of the League of Nations arrived here at 3:10 p. m. (2:10 a. m. E.S.T.) today, completing a flight from Wuhu, down the Yangtze river from Nanking.

Leaving Nanking yesterday on another volunteer flood survey flight, the Lindberghs and Dr. Boric landed at Wuhu, where they spent the night. The failure of Nanking authorities to receive direct word of their landing there caused some anxiety this morning, but this was dispelled when a Chinese military plane sighted the Lindbergh craft on the water at Wuhu.

CORVALLIS.—Construction progressing on federal building.

Good-Bye Major



QUANTICO, Va., Sept. 30.—(AP)—Major General Smedley D. Butler gave his last command to the marine corps today and was placed on the retired list.

"You may haul down my flag, sir," was the general's last command, given to Lieut. L. C. Whitaker, his aide.

The general's retirement orders approved by President Hoover September 1, two weeks after the general requested retirement were read at a full formation in front of marine headquarters.

The last honor accorded the general was a salute of 13 guns.

COLONEL VOORHIES WILL CITE HARBOR NEED AT HEARING

Colonel Gordon Voorhies will represent the Northern California-Southern Oregon Development association at the hearing to be held in Washington, D. C., October 12 before the board of engineers for rivers and harbors, it was announced this morning.

C. E. Gates, president of the association, feels that the coast is especially fortunate in being represented by Colonel Voorhies, who is well known in national military and governmental circles.

He will leave Sunday for the east, accompanied by Mayor E. R. Griffin of Crescent City, who is also a member of the board of supervisors of Del Norte county, and Attorney W. P. Ellis of Salem, who will present the association's case.

The Ship Owners association of the Pacific coast and Pacific American Ship Owners association will also assist the association through their Washington office. Lumber and fruit industries will be well represented and Mr. Gates feels that fortified by the favorable recommendation of five million dollars from the division of engineers, C. B. Dodds, representative of the association in Washington, will also participate in the hearing.

Runaway Boy In Roseburg Jail For Theft Here

ROSEBURG, Ore., Sept. 30.—(AP)—Kendall Washburn, 14, of Oregon City, missing from his home since Sunday, was being held by Sheriff V. T. Jackson here today following his arrest last night on a charge of automobile theft.

The boy ran away from home and went to Medford. He is said to have stolen a bicycle in Medford, riding it to Roseburg where he took an automobile from a used car lot. He drove to Sutherlin where he wrecked the car.

Bad Skies Hold American Fliers On Japanese Soil

SAMUSHIRO, Japan, Sept. 30.—(AP)—Bad weather in the Aleutian Islands today caused Clyde Pangburn and Hugh Herndon Jr., American fliers, to postpone until tomorrow their takeoff here on a projected non-stop flight to the United States.

They hope to break two records. Their primary aim is to be the first to fly all the way across the Pacific in an airplane without making a stop. Secondly they would like to make a record for distance in a single hop.

Derringer Selected For Cardinal Mound

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 30.—(AP)—Manager Gabby Street of the St. Louis Cardinals announced today Paul Derringer, youthful pitching ace, playing his first season in a major league, would start the first game of the world's series here tomorrow against the Athletics. Catcher Jimmy Wilson will be his battery mate.

Fall From Wagon Fatal For Farmer

AURORA, Sept. 30.—(AP)—August Glewin, 47, who lived four miles west of Aurora, was instantly killed yesterday when he fell from his wagon. The fall was caused when a rope on which he was tying a load of straw to the wagon broke.

A brother, Fred, or near Aurora, is the only surviving relative in the west. Glewin was not married.

LOCAL CHAMBER VOICES PROTEST ON OCEAN ROAD

Resolution Going to Meier Against Third Portland-to-Sea Highway — Relief Plan Gets Support

Resolution opposing the proposed appropriation for construction of another highway from Portland to the coast was passed last night by the board of directors of the local chamber of commerce and will be turned over to Governor Meier's relief committee in southern Oregon to be forwarded to the governor and the state highway commission.

The action was taken by the Medford chamber in the belief that construction of a third road from Portland to the coast would interfere with highway construction needed in other parts of the state and divert too much money to one locality.

Back Relief Plan
The board discussed briefly the program laid out by the governor's relief committee and agreed to do everything possible to assist in the program and to get behind the Community Chest campaign.

Two men were added to the roads and highway committee of the chamber of commerce. They are S. S. Smith and A. W. Pipes. The board went on record as urging the highway committee to complete relocation of the Greenspring road from the summit west and to complete the Pacific highway through the new route in the Siskiyou.

Director McCoy of Astoria, representative of Jackson county in the state chamber of commerce, attended the meeting and outlined the reorganization plans of the state chamber and announced that the budget to be raised outside of Portland for the future campaign is \$25,000.

County Share \$1500.
This amount will be matched by Portland, making the state total \$30,000. Jackson county's share will be \$1500, one-half of which is to be raised before April, 1932.

A committee will be appointed from Medford to confer with Ashland, regarding southern Oregon plans in the campaign.

It was announced at last night's meeting that the chamber of commerce is aimed out of printed matter for distribution and the publicity committee was instructed to get out publications as far as possible and plan to issue another booklet in the spring.

The October forum will be held the latter part of the month with Dr. James Gilbert of the University of Oregon as speaker.

WEALTHY WIDOWS IN DOUBLE RITES

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 30.—(AP)—At noon here today two of the west coast's most wealthy widows became brides in a double ceremony. They are Mrs. Maxine Goodall, widow of Harry W. Goodall, former head of the shipping firm of Goodall & Perkins, and Mrs. Sue Darnell Talbot, widow of the millionaire lumberman who died a year ago.

Mrs. Goodall married James O. Zacker, vice-president and general manager of the electrical products corporation here, and Mrs. Talbot married Edwin Morton Ricker, president of the Pacific Equipment company of Seattle.

Oregon Weather
Increasing cloudiness in east portion; probably rain in west portion tonight and Thursday; moderate temperature; increasing southerly winds offshore; becoming of gale force above Cape Blanco.

WILL ROGERS says:

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 30.—To show you what our smart men know, they led us to believe that the world was coming to an end when England lost her gold standard. Now we come to find out that things are picking up on what they thought was a calamity. Other nations are going to silver voluntarily. Sure, use silver for money, use as many things as you can for money and the more trading and business will be done. Astor made a fortune trading chewing tobacco for skunk skins. Poor Bryan, he ran for president just 35 years too soon.

Will Rogers.
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