

The Weather Oregon: Fair but with occasional cloudiness Sunday and Monday; cool; moderate north and northwest winds offshore.

Twenty-Sixth Year

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IF YOU will take time enough to study it and grasp its meaning, you will find this statement, which is vouched for by the National Industrial Conference board, interesting: "Taking industry as a whole, including agricultural workers, there was an increase of 30.4 per cent in the total number of gainful workers in the United States in the 20-year period from 1910 to 1930, as compared with an increase of 33.5 per cent in population."

NO doubt you have been listening carefully, and probably NERVOUSLY, to all this talk of displacement of workers by machines. Perhaps you have said to yourself: "The use of machines is growing by leaps and bounds, and every new machine that is invented seems to take somebody's hand job away. "If this goes on, what will happen to MY JOB?"

READ the figures quoted at the head of this column and calm your nervousness. In the 20 years from 1910 to 1930, the use of machines increased fully as rapidly as at any other period in the history of our country. The war happened during this period, you will remember, and the war made necessary a speeding up of all industry that made machines ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY.

During the war, almost every new day brought out some kind of new machine to do somebody's job faster than it had been done before.

BUT listen to this: During all this period when the use of machines was increasing more rapidly than ever before, the NUMBER OF JOBS increased just about as fast as the population.

So don't let yourself get too badly scared by the machines and what they are going to bring about in the future.

THERE'S a funny thing about machines. At first, they DO take away jobs. But after a little while they speed up and cheaper production so that in the long run they CREATE more jobs than they destroy.

HERE are some figures that will interest Southern Oregon, which is a big sheep and wool country: During this 20 years from 1910 to 1930, SILK MILLS showed an advance of 82 per cent in the number of workers employed, whereas woolen and worsted mills showed an advance of only ONE PER CENT in number of workers employed.

THESE two war decades, you see, were the SILK DECADES. It was during these years that the girls brought the hem of their skirts up to the neighborhood of their knees and they discovered very quickly that a skirt as short as that didn't look right when made of woolen cloth.

So they went over in a body to silk. THESE women! They crook their little fingers and industry turns over and does a flip-flop.

They took to silk skirts and silk hose back in those two decades and the silk business boomed, as a result, while the wool business stood still.

BUT something new is in the air. If you aren't too old and burned out to cast a sharp eye on the pretty girls as they go past, you will note that a lot of them are wearing WOOLEN SKIRTS. And if you read the market reports in this newspaper, you have noted that in spite of depression, in spite of bear raids, in spite of world-wide over-production of basic raw materials, the WOOL MARKET is holding pretty steady.

It is the girls, these pretty girls with their woolen skirts, who are doing that. SO IF you are a sheep man, up against it, apparently, fighting the drought with one hand and the holder of your note with the other, say a little prayer, IF YOU CAN, to these girls all over the country that are walking the streets in their pretty clothes.

Put it something like this: "Dear girls: We are out here in the desert, just about on our uppers, taking care of our sheep, and hoping for a bulge in the wool market. "So PLEASE go on wearing woolen skirts and all the woolen other clothes you can, because if you do the wool market will soon take the bulge that will save our bacon."

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Convict Capone as Tax Evader, Law Delay Near Federal Jury Finds Guilty On Five of 23 Counts After Eight Hours Pondering—Maximum Penalty 17 Years—Jury Gets Mixed Up. FEDERAL BUILDING, Chicago, Oct. 17.—(AP)—Alphonse Capone, Chicago's notorious gang character was convicted by a federal court jury tonight on five out of 23 counts charging evasion of income taxes. The jury took eight hours and 18 minutes to reach a verdict. The counts on which Capone was convicted include three felony allegations of attempt to evade and defeat income taxes for the years 1925, 1926 and 1927 and two misdemeanors counts charging failure to file income tax returns in 1928 and 1929. The maximum penalty possible is 17 years imprisonment and \$50,000 fine.

The big gangster was acquitted on the one indictment charging attempt to evade and defeat taxes on a 1924 income. He was also acquitted of 17 felony accounts on the second indictment, many of them duplications of the counts on which he was found guilty. The jury was polled once and then, after Assistant U. S. District Attorney Jacob I. Grossman said it appeared that the jury might have been mixed on the numbers of the various counts, the attorneys went into a conference as a recess was called. The jury was given the case at 2:42 p. m., today and deliberated constantly without even a bit to eat, until 10:50 when it sent word that it had reached its decision. The hunky gang czar, dressed for his final day in court in a light green suit was summoned from his hotel headquarters and twenty minutes later the 12 men filed in with their verdict. Grossman said it appeared "inconclusive" that the jury should find Capone guilty of evading taxes in 1925, 1926 and 1927 and not guilty of similar felony counts in 1923 and 1929. The defendant smiled as the verdict was read by the clerk of the court. One of his attorneys, Albert Fink, announced informally intention to file a motion for a new trial, and later withdrew the announcement. Three felony counts on which Capone was convicted charged that his income was \$237,285 in 1925; \$195,676 in 1926; \$218,056 in 1927 and that he attempted to evade and defeat taxes on these incomes. The government did not attempt to prove exact amounts, however, and the court instructed the jury that it should find Capone guilty if it determined that he had made a "taxable" income, or one over \$5,000 for each of the years in question. The trial ended in confusion, with the government apparently more concerned over the jury's failure to convict Capone on 17 of the counts than the defense was with his conviction on five of the charges. Capone and his attorneys, all smiling, went into a huddle in the corridor during the short recess, Michael Ahern, one of the defense lawyers saying "it was what I expected." Judge Wilkerson after much discussion granted a request by the defense to argue their motion for arrest of the judgment and set 10 a. m., Tuesday as the time. The court at first denied the motion point-blank when Attorney Fink presented it, saying it was "obviously improper" and there could be no argument about it. He said that unless the defense moved at once for a new trial he would pronounce sentence tonight. Fink persisted, however, and the court then asked for "assurance that you have grounds for the motion. "I not only can assure you of that, your honor" Fink said, "but I can assure you will convince your honor you should arrest the judgment and that you will do so." All other motions will be argued Tuesday also the court said. Counsel for the government recessed for ten minutes to confer "on the consistency of the verdict" hinting that the contracting judgments on the several counts "might need to be looked into." They reported after a conference that the statutes showed the verdict to be consistent. Attorney Ahern had said the same from the time it was returned. Although the judge said he "was very clear about the impropriety of an arrest of judgment," Attorney Fink promised to cite him "along line of case."

Judge Wilkerson adjourned court without passing sentence, indicating that he would sentence Capone Tuesday after he had heard motions from both sides. Judge Wilkerson told the jurors that any who wished to, could be excused to serve, and that those who wanted to once on other cases might remain in the custody of the marshal. Capone, a wide grin on his scarred face, was told that he didn't look as if he felt badly. "I'm perfectly healthy," was his reply. SEATTLE, Oct. 17.—(AP)—Mrs. Florence Kitoff was found guilty of manslaughter by a jury late today, after three hours of deliberation, in her trial for the slaying of her brother-in-law last spring. She will be sentenced next week.

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MARTIN SHOT BY ERRING HUNTER SHERIFF'S CLAIM

Pioneer Hillman Wounded As He Tended Trap Line, Staggered Trail—Slayer Flees Scene—Missing Rifle Found.

Loris Martin, 60, pioneer mountaineer of Jackson county, was accidentally slain for a deer, some time last Thursday, or late Wednesday, as he tended his traps, and with a bullet through his left side near the heart, staggered, stumbled and crawled to the trail, where his body was found Friday noon, by Joe Roe. This is the official opinion expressed after an investigation of the scene of the tragedy yesterday by Sheriff Ralph Jennings, Deputy Coroner Joy Walker, Assistant District Attorney George Nelson and Attorney Harry Skyrman, a nephew of the accident victim.

Martin's gun, hat and knapsack were found in the brush, 75 feet from the trail. Following a thorough survey of the ground, Sheriff Jennings believes that Martin, busy baiting his wolf traps, when the unknown hunter, appeared on the other side of the brushy, leafy gully, and fired at the noise and movements in the light growth, a distance of about 100 yards. When the hunter discovered his tragic error, he fled.

An autopsy will be held to determine the cause of Martin's death. If the bullet pierced the heart, it will tend to show that the unknown hunter, carried Martin to the trail, where discovery would be easier.

Martin was a man of magnificent physical development, who has lived all his life in the open and would have been possessed of the strength to reach the trail though fatally wounded. His gun was found against a tree, bloodstained, indicating that he had packed it a short distance after being wounded.

The sheriff said there was no evidence of tracks in the heavy brush, or any signs that two persons had been near the death scene. It is thought possible that a cry by Martin could have apprised the hunter of his mistake.

The country adjacent to the trail is rough and rugged and at this season full of deer hunters. It is also one of their favorite hunting spots. An effort will be made to check on hunters in the region the past week. Martin was familiar with the region, and had hunted over it since a boy and guided many hunting parties through it.

The fatality is second this season in this country, attributed to careless deer hunters. Ed Foster, of Jacksonville, prospector, was killed six weeks ago in the same manner while on a trip into the timber.

Martin was well known in the northwestern part of the county where he lived all his life and at various times had engaged, in mining, trapping and ranching. He had many friends in the Trail and Prospect districts. His outstanding characteristic was his rugged honesty and love of the outdoors. He knew the mountains of Jackson county thoroughly.

Funeral services will be held from the church at Trail, Monday, October 19, at 10:30 a. m. Reverend Stille of Trail will have charge of services and burial will be made in the Trail cemetery, Conger funeral parlors in charge.

NATIONAL CREDITS SET TO FUNCTION EARLY THIS WEEK

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—(AP)—The huge National Credit Corporation suggested by President Hoover to thaw out frozen bank credits took definite form today as the twelve directors, hastily assembled, held their first meeting.

George M. Reynolds, Chicago banker, was chosen chairman of the board of directors. He is chairman of the executive committee of the billion dollar Continental Illinois Bank and Trust company.

Mortimer N. Buckner, who headed the committee appointed little more than a week ago to form the corporation, was elected president. Mr. Buckner is president of the New York Clearing House association, which embraces leading Wall Street banks with aggregate resources of \$2,000,000,000.

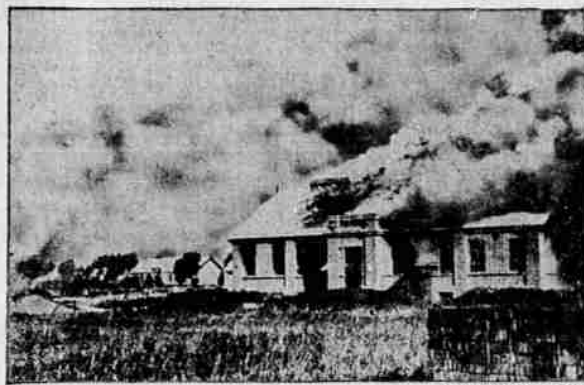
The twelve directors—one from each federal reserve district—met at the New York Federal Reserve bank and were in constant session throughout the day, save for a brief interruption for lunch.

In addition to the selection of officers, the meeting was given over to a detailed discussion of policies. It was unofficially explained that it is hoped to have the giant machine well oiled and ready to function early next week.

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This is one of the first pictures from the Japanese-Chinese trouble zone to reach the United States as world statesmen attempt to iron out the Sino-Japanese situation. Barracks of the Chinese fort at Changtu north of Mukden, are shown in flames following clashes with the Japanese.

OREGON SENATORS FAVOR WAR DEBTS, ARMAMENT SLASH

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—(AP)—The New York Post said today responses of 34 senators to a questionnaire indicated the senate would listen favorably to a proposal for reduction of war debts, if coupled with a corresponding cut in armaments.

Four of the 34 senators who took a definite stand on such double-barreled reduction, in their replies to the newspaper, favored the idea without requiring further definition of the terms of such a proposal.

Eleven others, many with various qualifications, expressed their willingness to listen to the terms of such a bargain. Nine disapproved.

The others who answered the poll were doubtful or failed to express an opinion. The senate has a membership of 96. There is one vacancy.

To a second question, whether they favored an extension of the one-year Hoover moratorium on war debts and reparations, seven voted no and four yes, with the remainder doubtful.

The four who expressed unqualified approval were Senators Copeland of New York; Logan of Kentucky, and Walsh of Montana, all Democrats, and Senator McNary, Republican, of Oregon.

The senators who apparently are in favor of hearing overtures for a cut in armaments and debts, but who would wish to qualify the bargain in one way or another, are: Senators Borah of Idaho, Brookhart of Iowa, Capper of Kansas, Steiwer of Oregon, Jones of Washington, Frazier of North Dakota, Hastings of Delaware, Watson of Indiana, Carey of Wyoming, all Republicans, and Senator Gore of Oklahoma.

Senator McNary, Republican, Oregon, favored the extension of the moratorium conditional on reduction of armaments.

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HOOVER FOES IN SOUTH AND WEST LINE UP FORCES

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—(AP)—New stirrings of political unrest agitating republican and democratic precincts alike, are challenging the early bids of President Hoover and Governor Roosevelt of New York for the leadership of their respective parties in 1932.

Nearly all of the practical politicians still think Mr. Hoover will be renominated, and as likely as not to have Mr. Roosevelt as his democratic opponent. But it is recognized that neither will escape organized opposition.

The opposition to him takes two directions. One group, under the captaincy of Horace Mann, the Hoover southern manager in 1928, is making an organized effort to harvest delegates instructed for others or else unrepresented. Most of the party stalwarts greatly discount this movement.

The other wing of the opposition, unorganized and diverse, centers among the western senators and others who have adopted the name of progressives. They are talking privately of many candidates, but show no prospect of agreeing on any.

Like the Mann movement, the objective seems to be to keep as much delegate strength as possible in the hope that a winning combination may be found eventually.

There are plenty of democrats, however, who say it is still anybody's race. A constantly-growing circle of other candidates, too, is bottling up potential delegate strength behind favorite sons. It takes two-thirds of the delegates to nominate in a democratic convention, and whenever one-third of the total can be kept in a state of mobility, anything is possible, even at the last minute.

Roosevelt has the advantage of being the only democratic aspirant for whom a campaign is in progress in any national sense.

LIFE SANDS EBB FAST FOR EDISON OCEAN AIR MAIL PROJECT BREWING

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KINGSLEY ROILED BECAUSE NO PLEA FOR MERCY FILED

Attorney Enright Thus Explains Recent Criticism Of Condemned Man Of Legal Fight By Local Counsel.

Disappointment, because a hoped for petition for executive clemency has not been filed by valley acquaintances, is assigned by Attorney T. J. Enright, as the reason for the recent criticism by James E. Kingsley, in a death cell of the state prison at Salem, awaiting execution, October 30, for the confessed slaying of Sam G. Prescott, Ashland policeman last January, of the legal fight to save his life. Enright, with Attorney Herbert K. Hanna and E. E. Kelley, waged a long and brilliant legal battle in behalf of Kingsley. Attorney Enright says, that after his petition for a re-hearing had been denied, he asked his counsel to launch a petition for clemency. Enright says he told the doomed man, this was not impossible, and "unethical," and that Kingsley expressed resentment, and was informed that this course rested with acquaintances.

Attorney Enright said that Attorney Hanna had written a letter to Kingsley in which expressed his surprise at his lack of appreciation of the efforts in his behalf. Hanna was appointed by the court to defend the friendless and fundless Kingsley, and with Attorneys Kelley and Enright, they provided him with every possible legal defense at personal expense. The supreme court, in denying the re-hearing petition, completely nullified his counsel for the defense produced.

A series of articles has been printed in the Salem Capital-Journal, telling of Kingsley's life in condemned row, and in one, bitterly criticized his counsel. He is writing a book of his life, and hopes executive clemency will save him from the noose, a week from next Friday.

Kingsley, during his stay in the county jail, was visited by members of a religious organization, and was converted to the Christian faith, and it is now his only solace.

After his removal to Salem prison, there was a report that a clemency petition would be circulated, but it failed to materialize.

PLANE RIDE FOR LINDSAY, MASTER COAST CRIMINAL

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 17.—(A P)—Two sheriff's deputies arrived here by airplane tonight from Seattle to return Everett Frank Lindsay, confessed wife slayer, there for trial on a charge of murder.

The officers, William B. Coffey and William H. Sears, delayed their return flight, however, until Monday at the request of Sheriff John P. Stocker of Kings, Cal., who said a representative of the district attorney's office there was on his way here for a conference. Sheriff Stocker telegraphed he wanted Lindsay brought to trial on charges of forgery and attacking Beatrice Delemore, a Napa girl.

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TOKYO SCOWLS AT INTERFERENCE IN MONGOLIA CRISIS

American Attitude Viewed As 'Meddlesome'—Able To Establish Own Peace Without World's Advice Japan Holds—Note From The League.

TOKYO, Oct. 17.—(AP)—The Japanese foreign office declared tonight Japan and China, left to themselves, would settle their difficulties peacefully, thus intimating if war developed from the Manchurian situation the interference of the rest of the world could be blamed.

Officialdom sought a formula for the future, pointing out the army's freedom of cabinet control and its uncompromising stand against outside interference would place the government in a perplexing position should the League order Japanese troops to leave Manchuria.

The troops took over strategic southern Manchurian centers a month ago after a clash between Japanese railway guards and Chinese soldiers convinced Japanese officials the lives and properties of their nationals were endangered. China has appealed to the League of Nations, charging Japan with violation of international obligations.

A spokesman for the foreign office commented tonight on the opinion expressed abroad that intervention by the league, which has invited the United States to participate in its consideration of the problem, was necessary to prevent active hostilities.

"If left to ourselves China and Japan would find some way to get together and settle the present dispute," he explained. "It might take months, or possibly years, but the two nations never would fight. That is the point we desire to make clear at Geneva."

The spokesman explained that in Japanese eyes the Chinese are not seen as warriors, but as pacifists at heart, much preferring verbal rows to actual combat. He said the two countries, during the centuries they have lived as neighbors, always have managed to settle their differences between themselves to their own satisfaction, and for that reason Tokyo now believes direct negotiations with China present the most logical route to solution of the 300-odd questions, some hanging fire for years, which have been brought to a head by the present occupation.

"China cannot possibly force Japan to declare war," he commented. As viewed in government circles as a whole, Japan will continue to adhere to her original contention that occupation of Manchuria was in "self defense" and constituted no violation of the Kelllogg pact, in which the nations of the world recognized war as an instrument of national policy.

The Rengo news agency carried a statement from army authorities characterizing the American attitude toward Manchuria as "extremely meddlesome" and added that "as far as the army is concerned, secession from the league if necessary would be quite in order."

GENEVA, Oct. 17.—(AP)—The United States and twelve other nations agreed through their League of Nations council representatives tonight to send a note to Nanking and Tokyo directing the attention of China and Japan to their engagements under the Briand-Kelllogg pact.

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ANCHORAGE FEELS HEAVY TREMORS

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Oct. 17.—(AP)—Severe earth tremors were felt at 2:30 a. m. today accompanied by loud noises like distant explosions, which started several minutes before the quakes were felt. Many residents left their homes during the five minute period the shocks were felt.

PRESIDENT GETS 'HOLE' PAINTING

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 17.—(AP)—President Hoover soon will receive an oil painting of the old swimming hole of his boyhood days.

The picture is that of a deep, quiet pool in the Chesham river near Newberg, Ore., where Hoover and other boys from the little town sought refuge from summer heat. It is a picture of light and shadow and golden sunshine filtering through the leafy tops of tall trees.

Hoover owned a bicycle when he was a boy and he allowed Clyde Leon Keller, who had no "wheel," to ride it frequently. Keller is now a well-known artist and he hopes the picture he has painted will recapture for the president some of the joys of summer holiday days.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 17.—(AP)—The convention committee of the American Legion today recommended that the 1932 national convention, which is to be held in Portland, be held from September 12 to 15.



Copyright by News Syndicate Co., Inc. From the Associated Press. Marion Roberts, former flapper girl and alleged sweetheart of Jack "Legs" Diamond, New York gangster, surrendered to police at Watervliet, N. Y., to answer an indictment for assault. She was freed on bail.

RARE GEMS AND GOLD FOUND IN RECLUSE TRUNKS

Great Fortune Uncovered in Effects Of New York Lady Who Knew King Edward—Hoarded Money And Old Laces.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—(AP)—The already fabulous wealth of Mrs. Ida E. Wood, 93-year old recluse, in whose room \$800,000 in cash and securities was found, grew today as jewel, lace and silk experts inventoried the contents of her 40-odd trunks.

The appraisers completed their examination of only five trunks, said Harold Wentworth, an attorney, all contain relics of the days when Mrs. Wood was a belle of New York and a dancing partner of King Edward VII, then Prince of Wales.

The Astor Audit and Appraisal corporation, trying to fix the present value of the gowns, necklaces, watches, bracelets, tiaras and other gem-encrusted pieces, said the items might be worth "up to \$1,000,000."

The appraisal disclosed that the many \$1,000, \$5,000 and \$10,000 gold certificates, dating back almost to Civil War times, which were found in her clothing, would go begging for a market among numismatists.

The fate of the large collection of apparel remained uncertain, Wentworth said. Otis F. Wood, the woman's nephew and guardian, said he favored assembling it, with the best of the antique jewelry, in a museum collection.

Mrs. Wood has not been informed of the inventory of her effects, lawyers said. She furnished the address of a storage warehouse, however, in which all her known property was located without difficulty.

As each trunk was reached by the examiners, it was removed to the Harriman National bank and the most valuable of the contents were placed in safety vaults. It will require weeks, the experts said, to fix definitely the worth of the jewelry.

There is one diamond necklace with gems grading from eight down to one and one-half carats which Mrs. Wood wore at the famous Empress Eugenie ball in Madison Square Garden.

Some of the gems—diamonds, rubies, and emeralds—had been taken from their settings, wrapped in bits of paper, and lain untouched for years, in Mrs. Wood's bureau.

THIEF IS SORRY, SO PENS REGRETS

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 17.—(AP)—This automobile thief changed his mind. In an abandoned automobile found here today was a note reading: "Stolen, 505 Terry Avenue, Seattle