

The Weather

Forecast: Tonight and Saturday fair, except cloudy at times. Cooler tonight, with light frost. Highest yesterday 58. Lowest this morning 35.

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Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT puts it over Al Smith decisively in the New Hampshire primaries. In North Dakota, he winds up Alfalfa Bill Murray in a ball of string and lays him away on the shelf.

In Georgia, he goes up against an avowed advocate of Speaker John N. Garner and defeats him handily. This man Roosevelt is well worth watching.

ACTRESS ANN HARDING and her actor husband, Harry Bannister, are said to be contemplating a divorce, which is nothing unusual among people of the stage.

Their reasons, however, as printed in the papers, ARE enough out of the ordinary to make them interesting.

ANN, as of course you know, is the bigger light, and her radiance is dimming the lesser light of her spouse, who is coming to be known in film circles as "Ann Harding's husband."

This situation, Ann says in a published statement, "threatens to destroy the love and respect we feel for each other."

That is to say, presumably, Husband Bannister just can't help being a trifle jealous of the greater glory of Wife Harding, and this tinge of jealousy doesn't make for married happiness.

SO, YOU see, they say to themselves: "We'll get a divorce, so that we can go on loving and respecting each other without the menace of jealousy."

Stage people are funny, aren't they?

ANN HARDING and Harry Bannister have a daughter, about two years old. This daughter, who was brought into the world without being consulted, is entitled, according to old-fashioned ideas, to a home and the loving care of parents. She can't have such a home if her parents are divorced.

Stage folk will tell you that old-fashioned ideas about homes and parents are not for people who have careers to look out for.

C. C. CHAPMAN, editor of the Oregon Voter, addressing chamber of commerce secretaries of Oregon, asserts that mortgaging the future by spending money before it is earned is the chief cause of the present world-wide depression.

The world war, installment buying and innumerable public bond issues, he adds, are some of the ways in which money was spent before it was earned.

Spending money before it is earned, it must be admitted, is apt to lead to trouble unless the things for which it is spent are fundamentally sound.

BEFORE PASSING on, however, let us examine this installment buying which Colonel Chapman lists as one of the causes of our present troubles. What was it for?

Well, quite largely, it was for automobiles and washing machines and radios and carpet sweepers—for things that people want and that make their lives more comfortable and pleasant; things that add to the joy of living.

The money, that is to say, went for things that people got a lot of good out of.

WHAT happened to the money that the average run of people "invested" in the average run of securities offered to them during the years when these installment contracts were being made?

Unfortunately, the answer that must be made to that question is that a lot of the money so "invested" was lost.

BALANCED BUDGET PROSPERITY BASE, DECLARES HOOVER

Political Parties Must Legislate for Parity of Income and Expenditures to Expedite Return Prosperity

WASHINGTON, March 25.—(AP)—President Hoover today expressed confidence that both political parties together could legislate for a balanced budget, but said unless this is done "the depression" will be prolonged indefinitely.

FIRST BLOSSOMS PARADE IN SHOW OF GARDEN CLUB

Primrose, daphne, violet and forsythia—all the courageous little blossoms that come out in early spring, to test the weather for their less daring sisters—are on parade today at the Chamber of Commerce building.

BUICK, PONTIAC, OLDS SALES HEAD MERGED

FLINT, Mich., March 25.—(AP)—Transfer of the sales departments of the Buick Motor company of Flint, the Oakland Motor company of Pontiac and the Olds Motor Works of Lansing to Detroit will be made in the near future, it was announced today by Richard H. Grant, vice president in charge of sales of General Motors who yesterday was appointed to active direction of the sales division of all three plants.

Good Friday Ceremony Observed Over World

ROME, Italy, March 25.—(AP)—Prone at the altars of Rome's 400 churches, black-robed Catholic priests today commemorated Good Friday, the anniversary of the death of Christ.

Strange Pranks Played By Wind In Pasco Storm

PASCO, Wash., March 25.—(AP)—While Roy Mellis viewed with amazement the removal of Joseph Newman's garage by the "Baby cyclone" here yesterday, with only two scratches to Newman's car, his own garage door was lifted from over his car and crashed in a nearby vacant lot.

BEER TAX PLAN IS REJECTED IN VOTE BY HOUSE

WASHINGTON, March 25.—(AP)—A proposal to tax 2.75 per cent beer which would be made under permits from the treasury was rejected today by the house.

YAMHILL RANCHER ACCUSES KIDNAPER OF TAKING ROLL

McMINNVILLE, Ore., March 25.—(AP)—Accused by Ed Talbot, Yamhill county rancher, of kidnaping him and robbing him of \$31,000, Thomas Bosworth, 34, is held in the Yamhill county jail here following his return from San Diego by a deputy sheriff.

WALL STREET CLOSED ACCOUNT GOOD FRIDAY

NEW YORK, March 25.—(AP)—Good Friday found most of the world's financial markets closed. In New York securities and commodities exchanges suspended operations, although the banks were open.

SALES TAX DEATH FORCES RE-DRAFT OF REVENUE BILL

Sub-Committee Named to Find New Source for Raising \$600,000,000—Expect Proposals Monday

WASHINGTON, March 25.—(AP)—A slash in governmental expenditures and bureaucracy was demanded today by Senator Borah (R., Idaho), in a public statement as a counter to the defeated sales tax in balancing the budget.

CHILD WELFARE FUNDS MISUSED REPORT CLAIMS

PORTLAND, March 25.—(AP)—The charge that the policies of the state child welfare commission are extravagant and lacking in feeling for the unfortunate, was made by representatives of the child caring federation of Oregon in a report issued here Thursday.

SALEM SUFFERS \$100,000 BLAZE

SALEM, Ore., March 25.—(AP)—Fire which started shortly after midnight in the basement of the Mac Marr grocery store here swept through the entire building, wiping out two other business firms on Commercial and Court streets during the early morning hours. Damage was estimated at \$100,000.

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NO STONE FACING FOR JAIL WALLS

No stone facing is to be placed on the jail wall at the county court house, according to the plans and plywood, treated with smudge oil is being prepared for the forms.

Arsonist Given Long Pen Term

THE DALLES, Ore., March 25.—(AP)—J. M. Stachmeister, Cherry Heights rancher, was sentenced to 18 months in state prison on an arson charge in circuit court Thursday. Stachmeister pleaded guilty to a charge of burning his home in an attempt to collect \$500 insurance.

Fasts As Protest



Dr. Fred F. Wolter claims he has eaten only one peanut in the 15 days since he began a hunger strike in Washington to protest against unemployment in general and his own unemployment in particular.

COLLEGE BAND IN CITY FOR CONCERT TONIGHT AT NEW HIGH SCHOOL

R. O. T. C. band of Oregon State college, conducted by H. L. Beard, will appear in concert this evening in the senior high school auditorium at 8 o'clock.

THREE KILLED AT CANBY CROSSING

OREGON CITY, Ore., March 25.—(AP)—Three persons were killed at a Canby railroad station shortly before midnight when their automobile was struck by a southbound Southern Pacific train.

FOREIGN DEBT MIDDLE UNCHANGED, MELLON

WASHINGTON, March 25.—(AP)—Andrew W. Mellon, ambassador to Great Britain, told newspaper men today he had no "knowledge of any change" in the foreign debt situation.

Stanford Swimmer Hangs Up Record

ANN ARBOR, Mich., March 25.—(AP)—Austin Clapp of Stanford university established a new American record of 20:03 1/8 seconds to win the 1000-meter swim, first event of the national intercollegiate swimming meet, today.

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Typewriter Gives Clue In Attempted Extortion

BOISE, Idaho, March 25.—(AP)—Roger V. Gull, 23 year old state house janitor blamed a typewriter in the office of the chief justice of the supreme court today for his arrest in connection with the attempt to extort \$10,000 from William V. Regan, wealthy Boise resident.

RETURN OF BABY LOOMS IS WORD GIVEN LINDBERGH

Important Virginians Carry Optimistic Word to Father—Information Discounted by Jersey Police Official

NORFOLK, Va., March 25.—(AP)—Despite official announcement from the Lindbergh home in Hopewell, N. J., that Col. Charles A. Lindbergh did not consider information about his kidnapped baby furnished by three Virginians important, one of those informants said today early return of the baby was expected.

WOMAN CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF MAY JOIN COUNTY RACE

Fillings for office in the May primary will close April 5, and prospective candidates have ten days more in which to make their declarations. A couple of more candidates for sheriff on the Republican ticket, and at least one more candidate for county judge are in the offing.

KIDNAPING SCARE SWEEPS CAPITAL; PROMISE ARREST

WASHINGTON, March 25.—(AP)—A kidnap scare swept the capital today after police disclosed that extortion notes, accompanied by threats, had been received by Mrs. Alice Roosevelt Longworth, Sir Willmot Lewis, the London Times correspondent, Ben Lyon of the movies, and others.

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NARROW ESCAPE FOR AGED MAN

W. I. Curtis, 75, of Cottage Grove, Oregon, narrowly escaped death when the wheels of a passenger train at Ashland this noon. While endeavoring to board the train while it was in motion, he slipped from the steps and fell beneath a coach.

Marks To Occupy Governor's Chair

SALEM, March 25.—(AP)—Willard L. Marks of Albany, president of the senate and governor of Oregon during the absence of Governor Julius L. Meier from the state, will be at the executive offices tomorrow to take care of routine business, it was announced here today.

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Provolt Finds Horn Stuck In Tree Fork Half Century Back

WILLIAMS, March 25.—(AP)—Fifty years is a long time to remember anything, but Gede Provolt recently recalled having placed an ox horn in the fork of a tree in this district that many years ago.

PARR AFFIDAVITS REFUTE CHARGES LODGED BY FEHL

Counter affidavits making complete and flat denial of affidavits of the Pacific Record-Herald and Earl H. Fehl, its editor, were filed today in circuit court by Roy Parr, game warden, through his attorney, Allison Moulton, as part of the plaintiff's resistance of Fehl's plea for a new trial in the \$15,000 libel suit verdict.

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