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# GOV. MURRAY DROPS FROM SIGHT

## Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THESE words are written at Lakeview, where a meeting of the Yellowstone Cut-off association has just been held.

The Yellowstone Cut-off is a highway extending from Redding, on the south, to Boise, on the north. The Yellowstone Cut-off association has the organization that conceived it some four years ago and has carried it through to near completion.

The meeting here at Lakeview was to set a date for the celebration marking the completion of grading and graveling.

THIS is a year of acute depression in business. Yet here in Lakeview tonight are gathered representatives from every town of importance between Redding and Boise.

They are not crying on their shirt fronts because business is bad; although business over in this country is anything but good right now. The faces gathered here are happy faces—faces of men who have done something of which they are proud. The depression, for the moment, is forgotten.

Such is the power of hope.

FOR decades upon decades, these people over here in the great open spaces of Southeastern Oregon and Northwestern California were as near without transportation as a region can be and still exist.

They watched while Oregon and California built up their highway system west of the mountains, and they waited. They waited with patience and tolerance, for they are a reasonable people, and they realized that the more thickly settled and more highly developed regions are the ones, because they pay the bulk of taxes, to which highway development must be brought first.

But while they were waiting they were laying their plans.

THIS Yellowstone Cut-off association was organized away back in 1928, and at the moment its prospects were anything but rosy.

California MIGHT be induced to build up the Pit river from Redding, through Alturas and on to Lakeview. At Burns, it was possible to tie into the projected Central Oregon highway, and so reach Ontario and then Boise.

But between Lakeview and Burns lay an almost uninhabited desert, title to which was held by the federal government and which was therefore unmarketable. The distance over this desert is approximately a hundred miles.

How to get a modern highway built across it was a problem.

BUT they organized, anyway, and set to work. Their first ray of hope came with the passage of the Oddie-Colton bill, providing federal funds for building roads across unappropriated public domain.

Oregon was allotted \$195,000 of these funds, and these people over here put up such a good case that of this appropriation they secured a total of \$184,000.

This money was used to such good purpose that with it a highway has been graded on modern standards from Lakeview to Burns, and it will soon be gravelled.

When that is accomplished there will be a little money left out of the original appropriation. They watched all their corners in the letting of contracts.

WHEN construction was begun, they held a celebration out in the desert a few miles north of Lakeview, and from all accounts it must have been a wow.

Governor Rolph, then mayor of San Francisco, was up for the ceremony, and the first shovelful of dirt was thrown by Jim Baldwin of Lakeview, with a squatty little shovel used some quarter of a century ago by Southern Pacific surveyors reconnoitering out north from Lakeview for a line of railroad that was never built.

Jim, shrewd and dynamic, had this same shovel at tonight's meeting, and plans to present it with a flourish to the Cut-off association when the final celebration is held some time along in July.

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## Where Is He?



## LOCAL BOURBONS MYSTIFIED WHEN DATE IS IGNORED

Attorney Frank DeSouza, chairman of the Democratic county general committee, who has been additionally endeavoring for six weeks to have William H. (Alfalfa Bill) Murray, governor of Oklahoma, and Bourbon presidential possibility, gave up all hope of such a happy event occurring here at exactly 11:22 o'clock this morning.

"He has been 'Alfalfa Will' but is now 'Alfalfa Won't,' as far as I am concerned," remarked Attorney DeSouza, with deep feeling.

Attorney Edward C. Kelley, a young Democrat and candidate for the legislature, was also highly disgusted at His Alfalfalship.

"I don't know where this bird is, and I don't give a whoop," he said, also with feeling and disgust, and some chagrin.

It was the intention to whack "Alfalfa Bill" by auto from Klamath Falls for his speech here, but the arrangements were never completed.

A mean Republican remarked in the disappointment of the Democrats that maybe "Alfalfa Bill" feared he would have to appear with all the candidates for county offices, and they would all feel the urge to also make a speech. This is just a rumor.

## TARDIEU ASSAILS VIEWS OF GIBSON ON DISARMAMENT

French Premier Cites Failure To Mention Battleships—Non-Members Should Keep Place Is Hint.

GENEVA, April 12.—(AP)—Premier Andre Tardieu of France, representing his government at the disarmament conference assailed today the disarmament proposals advanced yesterday by Hugh S. Gibson, American representative.

Mr. Gibson proposed that tanks, big guns and gases be abolished in the interests of security, but made no mention of battleships, "the most obvious aggressive weapon," said M. Tardieu.

Abolition of certain types of aggressive arms will not necessarily provide security he said, but might be disadvantageous to an invaded country. The only means to security, he declared, is common action against an aggressor.

This was generally accepted as a restatement of the French proposal for placing offensive forces at the disposal of the League of Nations.

In any case, the premier said, this disarmament meeting is under the auspices of the League of Nations, and he suggested non-members keep that in mind.

Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet commissar for foreign affairs, renewed the Russian plan for reduction of armaments before the conference today.

Litvinoff proposed to reduce all armies of above 200,000 men, including Russia's own red army, 50 per cent. Armies of between 20,000 and 200,000 men he proposed to cut 5 per cent and leave armies below 20,000 men untouched for the present.

He proposed a similar plan for reduction of navies and air forces.

PARIS, France, April 12.—(AP)—Perrinax, noted French political writer, said in the Echo de Paris today that the American proposal at the world disarmament conference yesterday, to do away with tanks, mobile heavy artillery and gases, was a maneuver against France.

Paris morning papers greeted the American proposals with little show of favor. They called the plan an attempt to isolate France but added that it was frustrated by Premier Tardieu.

## Neighbors Swap Mates and Enjoy Dual Honeymoon

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., April 12.—(P)—The Parrot's and the Smiths were next door neighbors here. Malcolm E. Parrott and Mrs. G. Minard Smith fell in love with each other and Mrs. Parrott and Mr. Smith also fell in love.

The women secured Mexican divorces and yesterday all four went to Sharon, Conn., and the women traded ex-husbands. To complete the story, each couple attended the other and then all left on a honeymoon together.

## STOCK EXCHANGE DEFENSE VOICED IN SENATE QUIZ

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(AP)—Determined defense of the stock exchange was continued in testimony to the senate banking committee today by its president, Richard Whitney.

He protested against "this hue and cry, perhaps helped by the gentlemen of the press in regard to loaning customers' stocks, that has been in vogue throughout the country for the last two or three years."

Senator Couzens (R., Mich.) remarked that any man who signed the customers' agreement which Whitney produced "must have been a goat."

In response to questions from Couzens, Whitney said "the minimum margin indicated as good business by the New York stock exchange is 25 per cent margin."

"Do they ever go lower than 25 per cent?" asked Couzens.

"No, if we know it, sir."

"Absolutely?" Couzens inquired.

"Yes sir," said Whitney.

A motion by Couzens to postpone further investigation after today until Monday to allow time to consider the Glass bank bill was approved.

Whitney continued his testimony after the motion was carried.

Taking the stand again today Whitney gave the short interest as of April 7 a 2,849,895 shares, a decrease of 214,033 from the previous market day.

Between the opening of April 1 and April 7, during which period a very drastic decline had taken place, he said, "there has been a reduction in the short account of 429,503 shares."

Claude Branch of Providence, R. I., the committee's counsel, said it did not seem to him "at the present time worth while to go in detail into previous short accounts."

"You merely desire the firms in which short accounts reside at the present time?" asked Whitney.

Branch replied it was agreeable to him.

He asked if a chart submitted yesterday by Whitney did not show that generally an increase in prices was accompanied by a decrease in short interest.

"No," Whitney said. "Usually a decline in prices was accompanied by a decline in short interest."

Whitney agreed that during June, 1931, the market went up, while there was a great decline in the short interest.

He pointed out, however, that the moratorium announcement came on June 20.

## AID FOR BANKERS CITED IN ARGUING FOR VETS BONUS

Priest Says Two Billion Hastily Given Big Business Irks Those Seeking Two Million For Soldiers.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(P)—Against the united opposition of administration and Democratic leaders in congress, advocates of a \$2,000,000,000 cash payment on the soldiers' bonus today pressed their case before the house ways and means committee.

Father Charles E. Coughlin of Detroit was introduced by Representative Patman (D., Tex.), sponsor of the measure, and read a statement before a crowded committee room.

He said the reconstruction finance corporation was hurried through the house and senate to make available \$2,000,000,000 public funds "for financing financiers and strengthening tottering railroads."

Action Questioned.

Coughlin, who conducts a radio program, said that within six weeks of the passage of the reconstruction act he received over 1,500,000 letters saying:

"If the government can pay \$2,000,000,000 to the bankers and the railroads to whom it owes no obligations, why should it not pay \$2,000,000,000 to the soldiers to whom it recognizes an obligation?"

Coughlin said to pay the bonus would enable millions of idle and part-time veterans to purchase necessities. "That would put \$2,000,000,000 into channels of commerce and trade," he said.

Must Revalue Dollar.

"It will compel us to revalue the American dollar to the approximate level it attained in 1929. It will probably throw us off the gold standard."

"Revaluation of the dollar will come eventually either legally or revolutionarily. We have given the last transfusion to the sickly economic system of this country and soon will have a corpse on our hands. The reconstruction finance corporation has done little good."

"If we do not revalue the dollar legally—remember Russia of 1917; remember the French revolution; remember our own revolution of 1776."

The priest concluded by urging the committee to give precedence "to human rights over financial rights."

## Red Headed Queen



Margaret Faye Hayes of Louisville, Ky., has been chosen May queen at Mount Union college, Alliance, O. She is the first red-haired girl to win that honor.

## PERSISTENT PAIR ROLL UP MILEAGE TO MARRY HERE

The course of true love was running smooth enough yesterday for Miss Katto Barcojele, a 17-year-old Italian Miss of Weed, Cal., and her chosen mate, Joseph Moreno of the same city, but it became entangled with technicalities of the Oregon laws, viz: consent of the bride's parents when under age.

The couple arrived here yesterday afternoon and applied at the court house for a marriage license, which was granted. When County Judge Lamkin was ready to tie the knot, it was discovered through the vigilance of Secretary Victor Tengwald that the bride was not of legal age. This caused a hitch.

Undaunted, the happy pair rushed back to Weed by auto, secured the written consent of the mother, duly attested by a notary public, and rushed back to this city, arriving about 10 o'clock last night. They would not wait until this morning, so Secretary Tengwald took them to member the French revolution; remember our own revolution of 1776."

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## STYLISH WOMAN ATTEMPTS TO CASH LINDBERGH BILL

Bakery Proprietress In Greenwich, Conn., Spots Greenback—Customer Makes Hasty Exit In Car.

HOPEWELL, N. J., April 12.—(P)—A chic woman in a green town car became a quarry in the great Lindbergh kidnaping hunt today.

On the highways of many states, police sought her after a bakery proprietress in Greenwich, Conn., spotted a \$20 bill she proffered in payment for a strawberry pie as part of the \$50,000 ransom mulcted from Col. Charles A. Lindbergh.

The hunt intensified when detectives recalled that a green sedan was seen near the Lindbergh home on the Saurland mountain on the night of the kidnaping of Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr., on March 1.

Gang Split Is Theory.

This development, and a theory that the person who took Col. Lindbergh's \$50,000 without returning the stolen child was an estranged member of the kidnap gang who no longer has the baby in his possession, attracted the mystery to a new boiling point.

Police had expected the swindler or swindlers of the flying colonel to wait months before trying to spend the cash obtained by a double-cross, but the Greenwich development, as—

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## BABE AND GOMEZ IN HOMER FIESTA

PHILADELPHIA, April 12.—(P)—Babe Ruth and Sam Byrd hit two home-runs apiece, and Lou Gehrig one as the New York Yanks slammed out an opening game victory over the Philadelphia Athletics, 12-6. Jimmy Foss and Al Simmons hit homers for the A's. The crowd was about 16,000.

The score: R. H. E.  
 New York..... 12 12 1  
 Philadelphia..... 6 11 1  
 Gomez, Ruffing and Dickey; Earnshaw, Deshong and Cochrane, Hoving.

## COUNTY COURT EYES SOUTHEASTERN ROADS

The county court today is on an inspection tour of roads in the southeastern part of the county, with a view to improving, when county finances are revived, they visited the road near the Applegate ranch in the Dead Indian, and a road in the Wagner creek district. Residents of the district have petitioned for improvements.

**WILL ROGERS says:**

Santa Monica, Cal., April 11.—Didn't you see a headline in this morning's paper saying that "Russia is going to extract the snow from the clouds before the clouds reach Moscow, thereby relieving the city of having snow?"

Now that sounds silly, don't it? We all say "Those darn Russians, they always got some crazy ideas." Then in the next column it says "Hoover and a congressional committee propose to take \$200,000,000 from government expenditure."

"Well, I'll bet you the Russians get the snow out of the clouds before Hoover and congress gets any government employees out of their swivel chairs. But both things sound good in print.

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## HOSIERY PEDDLER HAD TAKING WAYS CONFESSION SHOWS

James Markwood, 18, last night confessed to the sheriff's office to theft of a purse containing \$2 belonging to Mrs. Juanita Franklin of the city school department in the Medford Center building and one belonging to a nurse at the Community hospital containing \$9. Markwood is also suspected of stealing a fountain pen belonging to W. W. Walker and \$1.50 from the home of Rudolph Singler. With two other hosiery salesmen, Markwood has been operating in the city. The authorities allege the trio have used the "stocking racket" as a blind for petty thieving.

Markwood admitted, Jailer Ike Dunford says, to serving a term in the Washington state reformatory at Monroe, Wash., and to another sentence of 60 days in the county jail at Tacoma, Wash. His companions are sought for questioning. No disposition of Markwood's case will be made pending a full investigation. He is parents live in Columbus, Ohio.

Markwood was arrested Monday afternoon, following an attempt to rob the home of George Simpson and was discovered in the house by a little daughter, who notified her mother, who was busy in the yard.

## EMPIRE SALESMEN GIVEN 'PEP' TALKS

DALLAS, April 12.—(AP)—Groundwork for the prosecution of the first of five ex-officers of the Empire Holding Corporation, charged with devising a scheme to defraud, was laid in the Polk county circuit court today by Barney Goldstein, special prosecutor, at the trial of Frank J. Keller, Jr., the first of the group to face a jury.

At the noon adjournment Goldstein was bringing before the jury the type of information given at "pep" or sales talks for the salesmen, these being held almost every Saturday morning. Keller, he said, told the salesmen that all those now under indictment had made a satisfactory settlement in regard to the payment of \$20,000 on stock in the company.

## Death Near For Senator Harris

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(AP)—The condition of Senator Harris of Georgia, suffering from heart trouble, was much worse today and he is not expected to recover. His physician said today his condition was "very critical" and that "his heart has just given way."

## HONOLULU LYNCH DEATH PICTURED

HONOLULU, April 12.—(P)—Wearing the details into the version of how Joseph Kahahawai was lynched, the prosecution introduced today blood-stained clothing of the victim in evidence at the trial of Mrs. Granville Porteous and three navy men, accused of the killing.

Clarence Darrow, leader of the defense, accepted the offerings as evidence, without further identification, thus apparently indicating he would not contest prosecution efforts to point to the defendants as the slayers.

The clothing was found in the automobile containing Mrs. Porteous, Lieutenant Thomas H. Masie and E. J. Lord, which was speeding toward Koko Head with the body of Kahahawai when stopped by police.

## Six Hurt When Truck Hits Car

PORTLAND, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Six persons were injured, one seriously, when a truck struck the automobile in which they were riding and pushed it over an embankment. Mrs. W. M. McGill, 57, suffered a fractured skull and other injuries.

The state police were advised by the department of justice this afternoon to be on the lookout for Ernest Dodson, alleged to have secured \$20 counterfeit federal reserve bank notes in San Francisco. He is believed to be headed this way, in a coupe bearing an Idaho license plate.

## Tiny Terrier Tortured By Medford Fiend's Act

Although his little body is bound from head to tail with great white bandages, and sores inhabit his back where a wire coat of black and white used to take on a special curl—Rough still wags a welcome to callers today at the Jackson County Humane society shelter, where he is receiving treatment for burns inflicted by someone, who poured sulphuric acid on his back.

The little wire-haired terrier, owned by Chas. Rose of Spring street does not whimper. He is a very good patient, according to Dr. James P. Horr, and shows no inclination to do anybody harm.

Rough returned to his home on Spring street Saturday evening, appearing very tired. His master reported he lay down on the living room floor and soon showed his owner he was troubled by something more than fatigue. Mr. Rose

## DEAD SON TALKS SAYS SIR OLIVER

LONDON, Eng., April 12.—(AP)—Sir Oliver Lodge, testifying today in woman spiritualist's libel suit against a newspaper, told of having communicated with his son, Raymond, killed in the war.

He asked Raymond's spirit, he said: "You live in a world of illusion?" and the boy replied: "So do you, father."

Those who inhabit the "other world," Sir Oliver told the court, are "in space all around us." He said there are many grades of existence in the other world and that all who inhabit it are first in a state of illusion in which they can get whatever they want.

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## COAST BUILDING ACTIVITY GROWS

SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—(P)—S. W. Straus & Co. reports on Pacific coast building permits showed the 25 leading cities adding more than \$1 per cent to activity from February to March.

The March, 1932, total was \$3,235,587 above that of February, or \$9,493,898 compared with \$6,258,301. Gains were reported by many cities, including Portland, Spokane and Tacoma.

## TAX COLLECTIONS OVER LAST YEAR

To date the tax collection department of the sheriff's office has turned over to the county treasurer more than \$45,000, paid in current taxes, more than twice the amount paid on April 11, last year, when the current tax payments amounted to slightly less than \$27,000. The above figures do not include the "back tax," and delinquent taxes, which are as correspondingly large.

The payments are regarded as a healthy sign of returning public confidence and stability. The tax paying continues brisk and on a par with payments in January and February.

May 15 is the final date for payment of the first half portion of the taxes, the delinquency penalty being effective on May 6th.

At the present rate, tax collections will show a substantial increase over last year. The corporation tax is generally paid in the closing days of the first-half period.

## RANCHER INJURED BY FRIGHTENED HORSES

Albert Kraus, Applegate rancher, who sustained a broken right leg and other injuries late yesterday afternoon, when dragged into the river by his runaway team, is reported resting easily at the Sacred Heart hospital this afternoon.

Tiller—Work on bridge at this place nearing completion.

## VOLCANOE'S CEASE ANDES ERUPTION

SANTIAGO, Chile, April 12.—(AP)—Volcanic eruptions which had terrorized the villagers in the foothills of the Andes for two days appeared to be subsiding this morning. The sun shone freely from a sky only partially hidden by clouds of fine volcanic ash.

## APPROVE BANK BILL

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(P)—The Senate bill creating a fund to guarantee the deposits of federal reserve member banks was approved today by the house banking committee.