

The Weather
Forecast: Tonight and Friday fair, with frost tonight.
Precipitation—
Highest yesterday— 64
Lowest this morning— 34

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Comment on the Day's News

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A L SMITH, as you have read in this newspaper, carries Massachusetts decisively over Franklin D. Roosevelt and as these words are written is running him a tight race in Pennsylvania.
A FEW weeks ago, after the drubbing he received in Vermont and North Dakota, it looked as if Smith didn't have a chance. We were all laughing at him because he had said that he was a receptive candidate and it seemed there wasn't anything for him to receive.
Now his stock is up—pretty far up, because Massachusetts and Pennsylvania are big states, with a lot of delegates; carrying a tremendous lot of prestige.

A L, WHO is fond of wise cracks, is probably quoting this morning the old, old one that runs something like this: "He who laughs last laughs best."

STILL, Roosevelt's followers, who were going great guns up to Tuesday, can remind themselves, like the Irishman who laughed himself hoarse and weak over how ridiculous the bull was going to look when he rubbed its nose in the dirt, that they had a good laugh, anyway.

CAPTAIN FRANK WINCH, noted sportsman, speaking before service clubs in Southern Oregon, makes this interesting statement:
"There will be more tourists on the Pacific Coast this summer than in any FIVE YEARS all put together in the past."

WHY? Well, there are more conventions on the Coast this summer than ever before in one year. Los Angeles, alone, will have more than 100.

The statement is made on good authority, although this writer does not know it personally to be a fact, that 150 conventions, large and small, are to be held on the Pacific Coast this year.

WE ARE interested in tourists for two reasons—one, because they bring money here to spend, and the money they spend with us is NEW money, added to what we already have, thus helping to make times better for all of us.

The other reason is that the tourist is a prospective settler, as California has proved so unmistakably. In large numbers, he comes first to see and returns to live.

"TOURIST!" Do you like that word?

This writer doesn't. Somehow it seems to smack of tin cans and brake beams. Even the railroads recognize the word "tourist" as something second-rate, terming their poorer sleeping cars "tourist" cars.

"Guests," as suggested by On-to-Oregon, is a much better word. It has the flavor of real hospitality.

IT IS just possible that your eye may have caught this trifling little item in the day's news, dated at Santa Ana, down below Los Angeles: "Charles H. Nye, 28-year-old singer of crooning songs, must serve nine months in jail and remain under probation for five years as a result of a recent conviction."

So there really is some justice in the world, after all, isn't there?

THE American Society of Newspaper Editors, meeting in convention in Washington, gives out this formidable statement:
"This society recognizes the ferment in the popular mind in this period of economic disturbance, with its accompanying problems of governmental, corporate and individual management.
"We believe that as a result of this disturbance there will be an urge for change and for experiment in the American program, in political, commercial, industrial and social procedure."

WHEW! What a mess of words! Do you suppose those dignified editors really knew what they were talking about themselves?
One doubts it.

AMERICA WINS OPENER IN DAVIS CUP TENNIS

WASHINGTON, April 28.—(AP)—A straight set victory by Wilmer Allison over Marjell Balmaine sent the United States Davis cup team off to a winning start against Canada in the opening round of American zone competition today. The scores were 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.

MEDFORD WOMAN FOUND DEAD IN ESCAPING FUMES

Mrs. Irene Ezzell Discovered in Kitchen With Gas Flowing From Stove Jet When Daughter Investigates

Mrs. Irene Ezzell, 42, employed in Economy Groceries No. 2, was found dead in the kitchen of her apartment, Durrell court, 329 North Holly street, early this afternoon by her daughter, Doria. Death, according to Coroner H. W. Conger, was due to gas asphyxiation—inflicted with sulfur dioxide, which was not definitely determined which.

The body was found lying in the kitchen near the stove, and the gas jet was going full blast. Evidence was found by the coroner that the dead woman had moved a small stove to the back porch this noon.
"It is barely possible," said Coroner Conger, "that Mrs. Ezzell accidentally turned on the gas and perished from the fumes before she could save herself or realized the danger."
Left No Note
The coroner said he found no farewell note, nor sign of poison, and that Mrs. Ezzell was suffering from no worry or despondency.
The death was discovered by Doria Ezzell, a daughter, also employed as a clerk, who went to the Durrell court when her mother failed to respond to telephone calls. The daughter was hysterical from grief and would give no information on the strange death. She will be questioned later.
Coroner Conger said no inquest would be held unless there were some new developments.
Mrs. Ezzell and daughter moved to the Holly street court last fall. The daughter was recently injured in an auto accident. The dead woman was well known in this city. She was a member of the Frank and King stock company that appeared in this city five years ago. She enacted mother roles.

'IT' GIRL SIGNS FOR FOX FILMS

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., April 28.—(AP)—Absent from the screen for more than nine months, Clara Bow has signed a contract with the Fox film corporation for six months, with a renewal option for a long term contract.
Originally scheduled to re-enter the films via the smaller, independent companies, Miss Bow was successful in obtaining the Fox contract which will pay her between \$125,000 and \$150,000 for each picture.
Miss Bow retired from the screen last summer following a nervous breakdown and a series of events which kept her in the public eye, her contract with Paramount studio having been ended by mutual consent.

DOCTOR STRICKEN ON FISHING TRIP

ROSEBURG, Ore., April 28.—(AP)—Dr. P. E. Fick, Seattle physician and well known sportsman, was critically ill in a hospital here today from a heart attack.
He stopped here early in the week on his way home from a Mexican fishing trip, to spend a few days fishing the North Umpqua river, and collapsed in his hotel room. It was found necessary to administer oxygen and when the local supply became exhausted, state police rushed additional tanks from Cottage Grove.

GIRL KILLS FATHER IN FAMILY QUARREL

BROWNWOOD, Texas, April 28.—(AP)—Eva Nell Meichinger, 17, confessed today she shot and killed her father, Joe Meichinger, 48, last night. The girl said her father had refused her permission to attend a program at a school and her mother sided with her. The widow and daughter are in jail, charged with murder.

FIVE GIRLS LOSE LIVES IN ILLEGAL OPERATIONS

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., April 28.—(AP)—The disclosure that five girls have died here recently as the result of alleged criminal operations was made today by County Attorney Lewis B. Morris, investigating the deaths of two University of Oklahoma co-eds.
The co-eds, Mrs. Frank Lee, 17-year-old secret bride of a University athlete, and Virginia Lee Wyckoff, died here a few days ago.
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WHEN DEMOCRATS GATHERED



Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, widow of the world war President, and John J. Raskob, chairman of the democratic national committee, were among the prominent democrats attending the Jefferson day rally in Washington.

CONSOLIDATION OF COUNTRY SCHOOLS WOULD CUT COSTS

SALEM, April 28.—(AP)—The greatest ultimate school economy without loss of school efficiency lies in the reorganization of the small school units into larger districts.
C. A. Howard, state superintendent of schools, today advised county school superintendents of the state.
Howard explained that such districts should be of sufficient size and valuation to provide stability of school administration at a reasonable cost. He said the trend in other states was toward the larger school.
Figures prepared by Howard showed that the 1931 tax levies for schools in 2200 school districts in Oregon ranged from less than one mill to 40 mills. He declared that these figures showed gross inequalities in ability to support the schools.
Definite suggestions included in Howard's letter to the county superintendents included the closing of small schools whenever transportation and tuition can be provided elsewhere at less expense, merging and support of one school by two adjoining districts, and that schools with extra capacity offer their facilities to adjoining small schools at reasonable tuition.

MUSIC FESTIVAL NOW IN SESSION

Children from all sections of southern Oregon and northern California are in Ashland today for the third annual spring music festival sponsored by the Southern Oregon Normal school.
This is the opening day of the annual festival and will feature the grade children. Tomorrow has been designated "high school" day and approximately 200 singers will take part in the choruses, 150 in the band ensemble and 75 in the orchestra.
Miss Harriet Baldwin, head of the music department of the Medford schools, will direct the mixed chorus on Friday. F. Wilson Waite of this city, the massed bands from Yreka, Weed and Medford, and Helen Killgore, director of music in Ashland, the boys' glee club ensemble.

RUM RUNNER IN PORTLAND CRASH

PORTLAND, Ore., April 28.—(AP)—Two persons were injured, one seriously, when an automobile carrying a cargo of alcohol crashed into a passenger car here today.
Louis Larsen, 40, received severe head injuries and his body was lacerated. His wife, Elsie Larsen, was less seriously hurt.
John Peterson, 21, said by police to have been the driver of the liquor car, was arrested on a charge of liquor possession, transportation and reckless driving.

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ROAD COMMISSION FIRM IN REFUSAL OF COUNTY RELIEF

PORTLAND, April 28.—(AP)—The state highway commission's policy in refusing emergency employment relief to counties was emphatically reiterated here last night at the preliminary session of the road officials of the Klamath county delegation by the reiteration, but declared that the county was not satisfied with what roads were being built "there are other places we can spend the money where it will be appreciated." The commission met to hear the

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Klamath Criticism Met by Threat to Spend No More Funds in County — Bids Opened at Session Today

Further consideration was given the franchise of the California Oregon Power company, which expires June 7, at the opening meeting last night at the city hall, attended by a small crowd composed chiefly of city officials and representatives of the power company, and no indication of a change in the council's proposal for a 3 per cent tax on gross sales as a franchise tax was expressed.
The proposal, recently made by the council committee, was received by the power company representatives and a counter proposal is expected from the company at an early date.
To Consider Plan
J. C. Thompson, representing the power company, made no definite statement regarding the company's reaction to the committee's recommendations, but promised to take the proposal under advisement to determine what the power company will and will not be able to do.
The power company has not been paying this city a tax on gross income during the past, contrary to prevalent opinion, Mr. Thompson informed the gathering. The 3 per cent tax paid was a part of the sale contract, dating back to the power company's purchase of the city's distribution system. The final contract for sale included a \$20,000 cash settlement and payment of 3 per cent on gross revenue until expiration of the franchise, June 7 of this year.

TO URGE PATROL PACKING DISTRICT NIP INCENDIARISM

The city council at its next meeting will be asked by a committee composed of members of the Rogue River Traffic association to provide a heavier patrol of the packing district during the shipping season to prevent a repetition of the costly fire that swept the area last Saturday morning. This action was decided upon at the regular meeting of the association this noon at the Jackson hotel.
The council will be asked to consider that a fire in the packing district during the shipping season would cause a heavy financial loss to shippers and growers alike.
Information was received that a decision within a few weeks can be expected from the interstate commerce commission on the northwest fruit rate case which has been pending since 1928. Conditions have changed since the action was instituted. Shippers hope that the decision will be made before the start of the coming shipping season.
Local fruit and shipping organizations, headed by the Fruitgrowers' league, will shortly prepare resolutions asking congress to make changes in the tariff laws, which have resulted in a retaliatory tariff inimical to the fruit industry being invoked by foreign lands.
Robert Norris made a report of progress on the Northwest Fruit Manual, which will contain a description of Rogue River valley peaches. The manual is distributed all over the world. It will be illustrated with colored plates.
Crop prospects were reported as good, with a heavy set of pears.

BASEBALL RESULTS

National.	R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	7	12	1
Pittsburgh	5	10	2
Batteries: Kolp, Wysong, Ogden and Manion; French, Spencer, Swift, Harris and Grace.			
American.	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	11	14	1
Philadelphia	5	10	3
Batteries: Phelps and Lopez; Holley, Hansen, Grabowski, Elliott and McCurdy.			
International.	R.	H.	E.
Boston	1	3	1
New York	5	10	0
Batteries: MacFayden and Berry; Gomez and Dickey.			
Philadelphia.	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	4	10	2
Washington	10	15	2
Batteries: Walberg, DeShong and Heving; Fischer, Marberry and Spencer.			
Chicago.	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	2	7	3
Cleveland	11	10	1
Batteries: Caraway, McKain, Gregory and Grube; Harder and Pytkak.			

HOOPER DINNER SEATS SWITCHED

WASHINGTON, April 28.—(AP)—White House social arbiters today revised the seating list for President Hoover's dinner tonight to members of the governors' conference, replacing Governor Roosevelt of New York, whose seat was but one removed from Mr. Hoover, with Governor Republican nomination to the house in Tuesday's Pennsylvania primary by Representative McPadden, who sat at the chief executive's left hand.
The original list was based upon the ranking given the governors at their Richmond conference.

JAPANESE GARDENERS ARE FORCED TO LEAVE

BAKER, Ore., April 28.—(AP)—Three Japanese gardeners from Idanha who were forced to leave Eagle Valley a few days ago, had the same experience near Haines Wednesday when they left the land they had rented in the Muddy Creek community shortly before a large committee of citizens were to pay them a call and request their departure.

Road Will Seek Grain Rate Hoist

CHICAGO, April 28.—(AP)—The Oregon short line railroad, subsidiary of the Union Pacific lines, will ask for drastic increases in grain rates in the interstate commerce commission hearing it was understood from reliable sources today.

Splendor Marks Funeral of Dog At Cost of \$1000

TIPPIN, O., April 28.—(AP)—Baby Ginter, 11-year-old Pomeranian, was buried in splendor today at a cost of \$1000.
Frank Callahan, wealthy owner of grand circuit race horses, ordered scores of floral pieces for the rites in the gardens of his estate. The body of his pet dog was placed in a \$400 bronze casket and workmen built a concrete vault.
A granite monument will be erected.

DEADLOCK LOOMS IN MASSIE TRIAL ON LYNCH DEATH

HONOLULU, April 28.—(AP)—The jury considering second degree murder charges against Thomas H. Massie, Mrs. Grace Fortescue, E. J. Lord and A. O. Jones, resumed deliberations at 8:50 a. m. today (2:20 p. m. Eastern Standard Time) with no verdict in sight.
The tension which attended sessions of the trial was gone. Judging from appearances, Honolulu had forgotten the sensational trial of the woman from the mainland and three navy men for killing Joe Kaliahawai, Hawaiian, while the youth was awaiting a second trial for an alleged assault on Mrs. Thalia Massie, wife of the lieutenant and daughter of Mrs. Fortescue.

HONOLULU, April 28.—(AP)—After three weeks of maneuvering, challenging, arguing and pleading the case of Lieutenant Thomas H. Massie and three other defendants constituted jury last yesterday, and with the jurors went a somewhat complicated set of instructions from Circuit Judge Charles Sam Davis.
The court ruled that the jury could find the defendants, with the exception of Massie, guilty of second degree murder, guilty of manslaughter, or not guilty. For Massie, Judge Davis said the jury might make any one of these findings, plus a possible verdict of not guilty by reason of insanity.
Separate Verdicts Ordered.
A separate verdict for each of the defendants, Massie, Mrs. Grace Fortescue, Albert O. Jones and E. J. Lord, was ordered. Judge Davis also ruled that evidence regarding the assault upon the accused naval officer's wife, Mrs. Thalia Massie, in which Kahahawai supposedly

The budget accepted at last night's meeting includes \$325,000 for operating expenses and \$350 for activities. The program recommended by the committee, composed of H. S. Deuel, chairman; Roland Hubbard, W. M. Cleggerson, T. O. Lumsden and D. O. Tyree, was accepted for the coming year.
Cooperation of the Chamber of Commerce in the effort to secure outside aid for production of the 1932 pear crop is promised in the program, as well as assistance in the enlargement of canning factory facilities in this district.
Possibilities of increased poultry and dairy production here will be investigated, according to recommendations of the committee, and the work of the executive committee of commerce and agriculture, which has proved so successful in the past, continued.

ATLANTIC FLIGHT SEASON TO OPEN

MONTREAL, Que., April 28.—(AP)—Lou Belcher, trans-Atlantic flight aspirant, took off from St. Hubert airport at 9 a. m. today on a standard time today on a practice flight to Havana, Cuba.
PORT DARWIN, Australia, April 28.—(AP)—C. W. A. Scott, noted flier, landed here at 10:22 a. m. today after a flight from Lympy, England, in which he recovered his record for flights between England and Australia by beating the record of J. A. Butler 5 hours and 40 minutes. Scott's time for the flight was 8 days, 20 hours and 49 minutes.

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ROOSEVELT LEAD RETURNS SWELL

PHILADELPHIA, April 28.—(AP)—Returns from Tuesday's Pennsylvania primary election today increased the lead of Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt over Alfred E. Smith in the Presidential preferential contest.
Totals for 6249 of the 8181 districts advanced Roosevelt's margin to 24,737 and showed him leading in 48 of the 67 counties.
The figures:
Smith, 78,731; Roosevelt, 98,468.

Business Success Shows Results of Advertising

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., April 28.—When you think you have heard all the devilment about anything, why you haven't heard anything till you hear a little Italian congressman (and a Republican, too, strange to say) from New York city, LaGuardia. He's always got the evidence. He dragged in a trunkful of canceled checks yesterday that brokers had given financial writers.
You know it's too bad everybody was so busy getting in on it that no one had time to investigate Wall Street before '29, when the horse was being stolen.
"Last year their combined net profits were three times greater than in the comparatively good year of 1915. This dramatic testimony to the value of an unbroken advertising policy should bring confidence and inspiration to executives who want tangible proof that a courageous program, even in these difficult times will pay.
"Now let us look at the other side of the picture—the dark side. Let us see what happened to the other sixty companies, the ones that pursued an erratic and uncharted course. "When times were good they plunged heavily. When the going became difficult they tightened their purse strings.
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