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 Forecast: Tonight and Thursday
 fair, but becoming cloudy; next
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 much change in temperature.
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TOLLEFSON CONFESSES ROBBERY

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

ALBERT B. FALL, former secretary of the interior, who sold his influence as a public official for money and went to jail for it, rides out of the prison doors in a luxurious limousine.

This writer has a notion that if he fell so low as to take a bribe, and went to jail for it—which heaven forbid—he would prefer to ride away when his sentence was served out in a battered and ramshackle old flyver.

How would you feel about it?

FALL'S conviction and imprisonment, on the charge of selling his influence as a member of the cabinet of the President of the United States, is one of the saddest chapters in the country's recent political history.

Every good citizen must hope fervently that this may be the last time we are called upon to face such a humiliation.

HERE is some good advice:

Be honest in your private affairs. You have only one life to live, and strict honesty and fair dealing are about the only ways in which you can justify the time you spend here.

They are the ONLY ways that will permit you to face the great sleep with a free mind.

BUT if you are honored by your fellow citizens with a public office, be honest if it kills you. The man in whom public trust is placed and who dishonors the trust that has been reposed in him is about the lowest form of life.

HERE is a paragraph from the current news of the day, dated at Harbin, in Manchuria:

"The danger of a Russo-Japanese clash, developing out of the extraordinarily complicated situation in the Far Eastern cockpit, is steadily growing."

That is bad. War is always bad. A world wallowing in depression and unemployment, whose principal cause is war, should know that by this time.

BUT if Japan and Russia HAVE to fight, we of this coast can at least look on with virtuous impartiality and say: "May the best man win." Meanwhile, we shall sell them things with which to fight.

ANN HARDING and Harry Bannister, we read in the dispatches, are divorced, and Ann comes out of the courtroom in Reno with tears on her face.

That is at least a change. Most of the movie people who get divorces in Reno come away with a comelier look in the eye, questioning about for new candidates for the matrimonial state.

THE trouble with Ann and Harry seems to have been that Ann was the big member of the team. The glory and the big earnings were hers. He was just Ann Harding's husband.

That rasped his masculine pride and started trouble. So, the story as told in the press runs, they got a divorce to see if they could get along unmarried.

FOR thousands, perhaps millions, of years, men were the lords of creation. If anything big was done, THEY DID IT. If glory was being passed around, they got it.

Women existed for men's gratification and solace. Their place in the world was a secondary place.

THE world changes. The old order passes. New ways take the place of old ways.

And in this new world women are taking a new place. They are learning that they have minds that are as great as men's minds. But that isn't all. They are learning that certain individual women have BETTER minds than certain individual men.

When one of these women with an outstanding BETTER mind marries a man with an inferior mind and steps out ahead of him in the world, as reality does happen from time to time in this day and age, a situation is created that goes against tradition.

Men have been lords of creation too long to accept such situations and like them. Witness Harry Bannister.

BAKER—Plans being considered to lower bridge on Bridge street.

CENTRAL POINT BANKER ADMITS HOLDUP A RUSE

Young Cashier Hoped to Cover Defalcations, Confession Given District Attorney and Sheriff

Alvin Tollefson, 25, cashier of the Central Point State Bank of Central Point, confessed to Sheriff Ralph G. Jennings this afternoon that the reported holdup of the bank yesterday was a ruse to cover up defalcations in his accounts. Tollefson signed a statement, admitted that he had lost \$500 in gambling games and that he took the money from the bank.

Tollefson reported a loss of \$1390 in the purported robbery and \$690 of this amount was found in a coffee pot at his home in Central Point this afternoon.

"Load Off Chest"

After signing the statement, Tollefson expressed satisfaction that "a load is off my chest."

In his statement, Tollefson declared that his wife or other members of his family knew nothing of his acts. He hid the \$690 in the coffee pot while his wife was asleep last night.

Suspicion was attached to Tollefson shortly after he reported the robbery, when the sheriff and state police were unable to find any resident of Central Point, near the bank at the reported time of the robbery, who had seen the bandit leave or enter the building.

Tollefson was taken to the courthouse to identify two suspects. It was at this point that he admitted his guilt.

Hoped to Cover Defalcation.

The statement sets forth that Tollefson hoped to cover up his defalcations, lost in gambling and that he feared an unexpected arrival of a bank examiner.

Tollefson was closed this afternoon with District Attorney George A. Coddling, Sheriff Ralph Jennings and Capt. Lee M. Bown of the state police.

Tollefson is a fine appearing man of about 25 years, and has been a resident of the Central Point district for seven years. His father owns a controlling interest in the institution. The family formerly lived at Sutes, Idaho. The denouement came as a distinct shock to the family and friends and acquaintances. Tollefson is a star tennis player.

In a robbery of the Central Point State bank, September 9, 1930, Tollefson was the hero, firing shots at the bandit as he fled in a rented auto. Robert Glenn, a transient resident of this city, is now serving 15 years in state prison for the first holdup.

AL'S MOODS VARY ON PRISON TRIP



His "last ride" actually under way, Alphonse Capone was by turns chatty and soberly contemplative as the train carrying him to the Atlanta penitentiary rolled south from Chicago. He was snapped in these contrasting moods as he sat in his compartment with United States Marshal H. C. W. Laubenthal.

COSHOW'S FRIENDS TESTIFY TO GOOD REPUTE OF JUDGE

DALLAS, May 11.—(AP)—Character witnesses testifying to the excellent reputation of the defendant consumed most of the morning session of the circuit court here in the case of O. P. Coshow, former president of the Empire Holding company, who is charged with devising a scheme with intent to defraud in the sale of stock of the Empire company.

Among the witnesses who testified that they had known Judge Coshow over periods extending from 10 years to most of his life and who lauded him for his reputation for honesty and upright character, were Judge John McNary of the United States district court of Portland; Paul Wallace of Salem, Mrs. Marie Flint McCall of Polk county and formerly of Roseburg, E. J. Page of Dallas; John Manning, state legislator and former district attorney of Multnomah county; B. F. Irvine, editor of the Oregon Journal.

That Judge Coshow had advised here that "people of moderate means should not invest" in stock in the Empire company, "although he personally believed in the investment," was the testimony of Mrs. Stella Henry of Spring Valley. She said she had talked with Judge Coshow in Portland after her husband had invested \$2000 in the stock, and that she later invested \$500, but that no statement made by Judge Coshow was responsible for her decision to invest.

DR. HOWARD ASSERTS HAY FEVER CURABLE

Dr. W. W. Howard of this city read a paper today at a state convention of osteopaths in Portland on a recently discovered cure for hay fever, through which he asserts over 90 per cent of all cases may now be cured.

Phoenix Neighbors To Meet Tonight

PHOENIX, May 11.—(Sp.)—Neighbors of Woodcraft circle will meet at the Grange hall tonight and entertain members of the Medford and Ashland lodges, and husbands of the Phoenix lodge members. At the close of the business session a short program will be enjoyed.

Archaeologists Confirm Burning Sodom, Gomorrah

LONDON, May 11.—(AP)—The Biblical story of the destruction of the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah by fire and brimstone is believed by Father Alexis Mallon, Jesuit archaeologist of the pontifical Biblical institute at Rome, to be confirmed by archaeological discoveries on the site of the two towns.

ANTI-PROHIBITION CANDIDATES GAIN VICTORY IN OHIO

Returns From Primary Election Interpreted As Turn to Moist Side — Ingalls Governor Choice of G.O.P.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 11.—(AP) A Democratic presidential preference 340 out of 2342 precincts in the state gave: Murray 3004, Roosevelt 26,346. For governor, 415 out of 2342 precincts give: Republican — Townsend 29,545; White 17,961. Democrat—Herold 942, Odges 9040, Krump 9503, McCullough 3475, Taylor 6601, Wilkinson 6716.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 11.—(AP) Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt continued to amass an overwhelming vote today as returns from West Virginia were slowly reported.

The New Yorker had 18,016 to 1,872 for Governor William H. Murray of Oklahoma, with 234 of the state's 2,324 precincts reported.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, May 11.—(AP) —

Unlimited benefits to be realized by the Rogue River valley through extensive development of the tomato industry, now in process under leadership of the Bagley Canning company, were emphasized by W. A. Gates, who urged his audience to remember and practice the old-time slogan, "By Medford trade is Medford made."

The Rogue River valley forms the only tomato producing area between California and the North Pole, Mr. Gates declared. The tomato represents a turning point in the life of this valley. Within 10 days more than half a million plants will be set out in this vicinity, bringing a new revenue to numerous farmers, a new payroll to laborers, and new purchasing power to Medford.

Oregon is not only adequately supplied with food products for her people, Mr. Gates added, but is ready to clothe clementine and homes with the highest types of merchandise, manufactured from Oregon products.

Oregon Has Resources.

"Why Oregon Chickens Come Home to Roost" was named as the subject of Dean Hewitt's address, when he was introduced by A. P. Johnson, toastmaster for the evening. And the many reasons why they do were listed by the dean, who placed particular emphasis upon the fact that in Oregon are located all things which make life worth living. Each man's goal is to live a richer, fuller life, he declared, and on the Pacific coast, through development of trade possibilities, appreciation and use of what is given, that goal will be realized.

The Oregonian's acceptance of criticism from outsiders, the dean condemned, urging the people to laud the benefits of the good old Oregon rain instead of admitting, "Yes, it rains here all the time."

Need for educating the people of the nation regarding the actual cost of agricultural products and the small profit realized by the producer was demonstrated by the speaker through

JUNIOR ACTORS IN PRESENTATION OF PLAYS TOMORROW

(By Billy Barnum.)

On Thursday, May 12, the Junior high school dramatic club will present another group of one-act plays entitled "Uncle Jimmy," "School Daze," and "Good Medicine." These will be two performances, matinee for school children, at 1:30, and an evening show at 8 o'clock. The plays have been directed by Miss Gladys Bengt, the dramatic club instructor.

"Uncle Jimmy" is an old man who splits wood and runs errands for the village. All his life he has wanted to travel and when the opportunity comes unexpectedly, the play portrays the everyday home folks of Friendship village: Uncle Jimmy, Bob Gail, Mrs. Amanda Toplady, Donna Maquinn, Mrs. Postmaster Sykes, Elaine Brophy, Josef, Fred Beck, Mitty Phyllis Nelson, Callie Marsh, Roberta Ivanhoe, Grandma, Waispeta "Wilson" and Uncle Bob, Dwight Short.

"School Daze" includes numbers varying from a pirate scene to a Ladies Aid meeting. Barbara Holt has the leading role, with most of the members of the dramatic club taking part.

The scene of "Good Medicine" is laid in a doctor's office, and humorous complications result from an eccentric millionaire, who sets out to find an honest doctor. The characters are: The Doctor, Bob Young; his wife, Mildred Drury; Hetty Sage, the millionaire, Betty Dyan.

GET 2 CARLOADS DAVENPORT SETS

Two more full carloads of davenport sets arrived in this city today for Weeks & Orr's store, according to an announcement this morning. The sets, produced by Roberta Bros. of Los Angeles and shipped direct to the Medford concern, are of sturdy "Banyon" construction and available in a wide selection of styles and coverings.

On March 16, Weeks & Orr's furniture store received two carloads of davenport sets from Roberta Bros. factory which were featured in a special sale recently. The new shipment of davenports and chairs will be immediately placed on sale.

LARGEST CLASS WILL GRADUATE

Students, numbering 175, and composing the largest senior class in the history of the Medford high school, will be graduated June 19 at the commencement program to be held at the high school auditorium.

The commencement address will be delivered by Victor P. Morris, professor of economics at the University of Oregon. He has announced as subject for his talk, "Taking a Look at Tomorrow."

The commencement program will be the first to be presented in the new high school auditorium.

BASEBALL RESULTS

American.	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	0	5	1
New York	3	8	1
Batteries: Gray, Kinsey and Fersell; Allen and Diskey.			
Chicago at Philadelphia, Detroit at Boston, Cleveland at Washington, postponed; rain and cold.			
National.			
New York at Chicago, postponed; rain.			

OREGON PRODUCTS BANQUET INSPIRES OPTIMISTIC NOTE

Largely Attended Affair Sponsored by Chamber of Commerce—Speakers Reveal Opportunity Waiting

Attended by more than 300 guests, representing cities of southern Oregon, Portland and Salem, and composing the largest crowd in the history of the local Chamber of Commerce, the fifth annual Oregon products dinner at the Hotel Medford last night was pervaded by a spirit of optimism, bringing promise of better years in the Rogue River valley and the state of Oregon at large.

The golden opportunities available to the Pacific coast states through development of trade relations with the Orient and South America were related by Dean Roy R. Hewitt of the Willamette university law school, who also urged elimination of the existing spread between producer-consumer dollar and adoption of a trade promotion tariff. Spicing his address with stories of many lands, he held his audience inspired to the close of the program.

Tomato Industry Strengthened.

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Wines and Beer Raskob Remedy For Depression

BOSTON, May 11.—(AP)—The production and sale of light wines and beer and a tax levy, based on Canadian rates, is John J. Raskob's idea of the most effective single action congress could take toward restoring prosperity.

The chairman of the Democratic national committee spoke during a bridge party sponsored by the Massachusetts Democratic national committee spoke during a bridge party sponsored by the Massachusetts Democratic victory campaign committee last night and his address was broadcast.

HOOVER VETOES BOURBON'S BILL ON TARIFF RIGHT

WASHINGTON, May 11.—(AP)—The house today sustained President Hoover's veto in vetoing the Democratic tariff bill, which proposed to strip him of his authority to change import duties under the flexible provisions of the tariff law.

The Democrats with their scant majority were unable to marshal the two-thirds majority necessary. The measure was passed originally by the house, 214 to 182.

Acting Chairman Clegg of the ways and means committee had told the house it was "futile and unnecessary" to attempt to override the veto because of the Republican-controlled senate and the Republican administration.

Representative Snell, New York, Republican leader, however, demanded a record vote on the veto message, which had been read only a short time before.

PARENTS' SCHOOL OPENS THURSDAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

With Mrs. Ruth M. Trowbridge of Medford, chairman of the gathering, the Jackson county school for parents will conduct an all-day session at the First Christian church tomorrow, opening at 10 o'clock, under the direction of Mrs. Mabel C. Mack, county home demonstration agent.

Exhibits of children's clothing, suggested books for the children's corner of a home library, and suggested books for parent education and child development will be shown.

The program follows:

10:00—Group Singing. Mrs. Mabel Sims, Jacksonville, director.

10:30—Considering Individual Differences. Mrs. Sara W. Prentiss, Corvallis, professor of parent education.

12:15—Covered dish luncheon.

Afternoon.

Mrs. Etta Schilling, Ashland, chairman.

1:30—Announcements. Mrs. Mack, home demonstration agent.

1:40—Significance of Success and Failure. Mrs. Prentiss.

3:00—A County Program in Parent Education. Mrs. Claribel Nye, Corvallis, state leader of home economics extension.

Evening.

Mrs. Mabel C. Mack, home demonstration agent, chairman.

8:00—What the Parent Expects of the School. Mrs. A. T. Lathrop, Central Point.

8:15—What the School Expects of the Parent. E. H. Hedrick, superintendent Medford city schools.

8:30—Adapting the Family Program to the Economic Situation. Miss Nye.

HOOD RIVER—Number of improvements underway to George Morrison dance hall in W. O. W. hall.

BONUS ADVOCATES TO GET HEARING

WASHINGTON, May 11.—(AP)—The veterans' cash bonus advocates soon will be given a hearing by the house rules committee on the Patman resolution seeking a preferred parliamentary status for the new money redemption plan.

Representative Patman (D. Texas) appealed to the powerful rules committee after his bonus payment plan was rejected in a fifteen to ten ways and means committee vote.

PAIR SNATCHED ALOFT BY AKRON FALL TO DEATH

Third Member of Camp Kearney Ground Crew Hauled Into Porthole After Dangling Far Below Ship

CAMP KEARNEY, Cal., May 11.—(AP)—After dangling for two hours on a tall rope from the giant dirigible, Akron, from which two of his comrades fell to death, Bud Cowart, a landing crew bluejacket, was hauled into the Akron at 1:15 o'clock today.

CAMP KEARNEY, Cal., May 11.—(AP)—Killing two men in the third hour of unsuccessful attempts to land, with a third bluejacket clinging to the end of a landing rope, the world's largest airship, U. S. S. Akron, was cruising around a temporary mooring mast here this afternoon.

This spectacular climax came on its fourth day out from Lakehurst, N. J., on its first transcontinental and longest voyage, marred by many difficulties. Naval officers expressed doubt the giant sky rider would be able to make its emergency mooring.

The airship reached San Diego shortly after 8 a.m. today, but was unable, due to the fog, to proceed to the emergency landing field here for more than an hour.

At 9:40, with weather clearing somewhat, the big ship set its nose over Camp Kearney, but did not attempt to drop its first landing net until 10:50. As the crew seized the line, upward currents shot the ship aloft with three of the ground crew clinging to the rope.

The amazement of the throng gathered at the field turned to horror when two of the bluejackets, Robert Edfall and Michael Henton, both of the naval training station at San Diego, dropped to their death. The third man, Bud Cowart, managed to maintain his grip on the line as the ship sailed on in a wide circle above the mooring mast.

HOOPER ECONOMY PROGRAM HANDED SENATE LEADERS

WASHINGTON, May 11.—(AP)—The senate finance committee, in its report on the billion dollar revenue bill submitted today in the senate, declared the measure must be accompanied by \$230,000,000 in savings to balance the budget next year.

The committee unanimously favored balancing the 1933 budget, pointing to deficits of the last three years.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—(AP)—At a bi-partisan White House breakfast with members of the new senate economy committee, President Hoover today set under way a new money-saving program in the senate along the same lines as that riddled by the house.

The drive specifically is aimed at a goal of saving \$300,000,000 or more through reduced appropriations and governmental consolidations.

Many of the items of the original house economy bill were discussed, including the five-day week and payless furlough plan for federal employees. Secretary Mills was appointed spokesman for the group breakfasting with the President, a role he has assumed following all of the series of recent White House parleys.

TO FIGHT RECALL OF MAYOR BAKER

PORTLAND, May 11.—(AP)—A group of nearly 600 business and professional men of Portland had organized today in opposition to the proposed recall of Mayor George L. Baker and City Commissioner John M. Mann, to be voted upon May 20.

Milo E. Mack, president of the East Side Commercial club, heads the movement which is opposing the efforts of what is known as the "Citizens' Committee of Fifty," with whom the recall movement originated. Membership of the latter organization never has been published.

"An aroused citizenry," Mack said, "is lifting itself to battle against the girding group that, we feel, not acting in the best interests of Portland in pressing a needless recall."

The two city officials were accused in the recall movement of negligence and inefficiency in office.

Mack said his organization will be known as the Committee of 500," but that the membership now reaches nearly 600.

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., May 10.—That fellow Massie and his wife had a tougher time getting out of Honolulu than they did while there.

I didn't read about anybody trying to stop Darrow, but I bet at that he made a lot of friends over there. I have known Darrow a good many years and always go to see him in Chicago.

I knew William Jennings Bryan many years ago. Both men lived ahead of their times, Bryan in government and Darrow by believing that the under dog in any fight had his side and I bet they both had great admiration for each other.

Will Rogers

Medford's Importance as Trade Center Revealed

Medford's position as commercial center of Jackson county and its importance in the general economic scheme of the state of Oregon are given particular attention in the United States commerce department's new report, "Commercial Survey of the Pacific Northwest," made public today, according to Frank Messenger, manager of the Portland district office of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce.

The "Commercial Survey of the Pacific Northwest" is one of a series of regional studies made by the commerce department for the purpose of providing business men with basic information as to the wealth, resources and marketing possibilities of the principal economic areas of the United States.

Medford, the government report points out, is the principal retail and wholesale center of southern Oregon. As the largest city of this area, it is shown to be in a position to draw trade not only throughout Jackson and Josephine counties, but also from a considerable area across the California line as well.

The drawing power of Medford in retail trade, the official survey states, is enhanced by the fact that its stores have an established reputation for quality merchandise. In the city and also in the immediate surrounding area, it is noted, there is a wealthy population whose preferences in general consumer lines are reflected in the demand for high-grade merchandise.

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