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Temperature:  
Highest yesterday 65  
Lowest this morning 48

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## WOMAN HELD AS KIDNAPING LINK

### TEACHER CALLED BY 'JAFSIE' HAD SUPPLY OF BILLS

School Principal Recalls Appointment Over Phone to Meet 'Dr. Condon'—Paid Rent in Small Currency

NEW YORK, May 19.—(AP)—Mrs. Mary G. Ford, Brooklyn school teacher, for whom Assistant District Attorney Jacobs of Kings county, Brooklyn, said he was looking in connection with the Lindbergh kidnaping case, was in his office late this afternoon, being questioned.

WEST POINT, May 19.—(AP)—Dr. John F. Condon said today he has never met Mrs. Mary G. Ford, Brooklyn public school teacher, questioned today by Assistant District Attorney Jacobs of Kings county in connection with the Lindbergh case.

"I have never even seen her," he added.

"Did you ever talk to her on the telephone?" he was asked.

Condon smiled, stuck out his tongue, and replied:

"That's my answer."

NEW YORK, May 19.—(AP)—Assistant District Attorney Ralph C. Jacobs of Kings county, Brooklyn, announced today he had sent out two detectives to find Mrs. Mary G. Ford, Brooklyn public school teacher, and "bring her in for questioning in connection with the Lindbergh kidnaping and ransom payment."

Mrs. Ford, Jacobs said, teaches in Brooklyn. He said he told the detectives to proceed to 33 Riverside Drive, Manhattan, where he said she rented an apartment two weeks ago.

Jacobs said he was informed Mrs. Ford paid \$100 for a month's rent in advance, with \$20, \$10, and \$5 bills. He sent for her, he said, on information given him by the public school authorities and after questioning the principal of the school where she teaches.

Jacobs said he questioned Frederick Schoedel, principal of the school this morning and that Schoedel made the following statement:

"Several weeks ago a telephone call for Mrs. Ford came to the school. A man asked for her. We said we couldn't call her to the telephone during school hours, whereupon the man said:

"This is Jafsie, of the Lindbergh case."

"Our clerk said he didn't believe him. The man insisted, saying:

"This is Dr. Condon. I'd like to speak to Mrs. Ford."

"We broke the rules and called her to the phone. We heard her speak of a meeting. When she hung up, she turned around and said:

"That was my sister's doctor. He wants to make an appointment with me."

"I called Dr. Condon on the telephone, but I was unable to reach him. We then reported the matter to superintendent of schools O'Shea.

Some one in Mr. O'Shea's office wrote a letter about it to Police Commissioner Mulrooney."

Jacobs said he had reported the matter to District Attorney McLaughlin of the Bronx, and that McLaughlin told him he would ask Condon about Mrs. Ford when Condon appears at his office to go before the grand jury tomorrow.

### BOY SCOUT FIELD MEET SATURDAY

Preparations are under way this week for the Boy Scouts' field meet scheduled for Saturday afternoon at Van Scoyoc field, according to announcement of Oscar E. Hoover, scout executive for Crater Lake area. Judges for the meet, all members of the Active club, will be Jack Butler, Bill McAllister, Frank Van Dyke, Hilding Bengtson, Elmo Russell and Ralph Bailey.

### BALANCED BUDGET HELD NECESSARY

NEW YORK, May 19.—(AP)—Charles M. Schwab, chairman of Bethlehem Steel corporation, told his fellow manufacturers today that balanced budgets, smaller costs of government and credit expansion were necessary to business recovery.

### BASEBALL RESULTS

American.  
(1st game, 10 innings) R. H. E.  
Washington 8 12 2  
New York 6 12 1  
Batteries: Crowder, Wells, Matberry and Spencer; Masley, Phipps, Gomez, W. Brown and Dickey.  
(Babe Ruth got his eighth homer.)

National.  
R. H. E.  
Brooklyn 2 5 1  
Pittsburgh 3 10 1  
Batteries: Shauts, Quinn and Lopez; Spencer, Chagnon and Grace.

### CANDIDATES BUSY IN ELEVENTH HOUR CHASE OF VOTERS

A "just before the battle" atmosphere pervaded the length and breadth of Jackson county on the eve of the primary election tomorrow, as the numerous candidates for office smiled their prettiest and gripped the hands of the voters for the last time. Out of a total registration of 17,328 voters it is estimated that between 10,000 and 12,000 ballots will be cast.

Candidates also were busy today repudiating unsolicited and unauthorized endorsements at the eleventh hour, of the grounds that were a millstone around their political necks.

The steady and well-defined drift in city and country alike against the demagogic radicalism which has been under way for the past three weeks, eliminated a number, who figured in the office hunt, "in the bag" when the campaign started. Straw votes the past week apparently show the mass of the voters wearied of cheap political sensationalism, and

### ROXY THEATER TO OCCUPY OLD PAGE SITE, EAST MAIN

The Roxy theater, now under construction on East Main street at the former Page theater location near the Bear creek bridge, will be opened to the public June 15, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Childers announced yesterday. It will be opened by the Childers, who have operated the Isla theater across the street for some time.

The new theater, with a seating capacity of 500, will constitute one of the most modern constructions in Medford as well as an amusement house provided with the latest developments in sound equipment, batteries enabling clear, noiseless reproduction; new screen and new furnishings throughout. Frank C. Clark is the architect.

Walls and ceiling of the new theater will be of special acoustic material to promote the best reproduction. The sound absorbing material will all be of echos, reproduction; new screen and new furnishings throughout. Frank C. Clark is the architect.

An auditorium of amphitheater character will be 40 feet long and 100 feet wide, according to the plans now under development. The seats will be arranged with each row elevated to make possible an unobstructed view from each location.

The modernistic treatment in the decoration of the theater will give it an attractive interior of character entirely new in Medford's theater world, according to the architect, Mr. Clark.

### Will Speak For Steiwer Tonight

Over KXED at 8:30 to 8:45 this evening Don Newbury will talk in the interests of Fred Steiwer for senator and C. E. Gates will speak over the radio from 9:00 to 9:15 for Steiwer.

Promise Farmstead Quits.  
WASHINGTON, May 19.—(AP)—Chairman McNary of the senate agriculture committee today told newspapermen that as soon as the present crush of legislation is out of the way, the group would open its investigation of the farm board, its affiliates and the grain exchanges.

### ABSOLVE CURTIS AS KIDNAPER OF LINDBERGH BABY

Police Head Says Nothing Links Shipbuilder With Actual Taking of Tot, Collection of Ransom

WASHINGTON, May 19.—(AP)—A charge that "boneheaded" police, from Norman Schwarzkopf down have bungled the Lindbergh case, was contained in a speech put into the congressional record today by Representative Karch, (D., Ill.)

HOPEWELL, N. J., May 19.—(AP)—Superintendent of State Police H. Norman Schwarzkopf announced today that there is "nothing that would in any way link John H. Curtis of Norfolk with the actual kidnapers of the Lindbergh baby and the collection of the ransom money."

Curtis was jailed at Flemington yesterday following his confession that he had perpetrated a hoax on the Lindberghs in claiming falsely that he was in direct contact with the kidnapers of the baby.

After the confession investigation was immediately begun as to Curtis' whereabouts on the night of March 1 when the baby was kidnaped and the night of April 2 when the \$50,000 ransom was paid by Dr. John F. Condon. Schwarzkopf's statement today came as a result of this investigation.

"A message received from his daughter this morning," Schwarzkopf said, "indicates that Dr. Condon's physician has ordered that he rest for several days before his activities are resumed. As soon as Dr. Condon is rested we will continue taking him around."

Schwarzkopf's statement also made comment on the telegram from Rev. H. Dobson-Peacock, in which the Norfolk associate in the Curtis activities declined to come to Hopewell, but said he would give all information to police going to Norfolk.

### LINDY AIDED IN TRAPPING CURTIS

HOPEWELL, N. J., May 19.—(AP)—Friends disclosed today that quick thinking by Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh was responsible in part at least for the confession by John Hughes Curtis of the hoax which caused widespread search at sea for the kidnaped baby.

Informed Thursday night board A. L. Foster's schooner Cachalot, anchored at Cold Spring Harbor, N. J., that his baby had been found dead, Lindbergh immediately began packing his bag, remarking: "Come with me to Hopewell, Mr. Curtis."

An automobile left Cold Springs Harbor at 9 p. m., arriving at Hopewell early Friday. Curtis was taken to police headquarters. Then began the questioning and checking up trips which ended in his confession.

### STOCKMAN NEXT IN EMPIRE TRIALS

DALLAS, May 19.—(AP)—Six women and six men were on the jury to try Jay H. Stockman, ex-convict for the Empire Holding corporation charged with devising a scheme to defraud when court was recessed at noon today. Difficulty was encountered in the selection of an alternate and a special venire was ordered by Circuit Judge Arlie G. Walker. No court session will be held Friday or Saturday.

Stockman is the third of the five ex-officers of the corporation to face a jury, the first, Frank J. Keller, Jr., being found guilty and the second, O. P. Coshaw, former president, drawing a disagreed jury after 28 hours' deliberation.

### FEHL'S ATTITUDE ALWAYS AGAINST AGENTS OF LAW

Candidate for Judge Challenged to Show Single Instance of Stand in Defense of Officers Against Crime

To the Editor:  
It is not surprising that Mr. Fehl has failed to explain his article published in the Pacific Record-Herald, wherein he took a stand in favor of the murderer, Kingsley, as against Officer Prescott, who was shot down in cold blood in the faithful discharge of duty—a murderer who was so depraved and black in heart as to continue to fill his victim with lead after the body was prostrate in the dust. This is the murderer who Mr. Fehl, now a candidate for county judge, wanted to put up money to defend.

Mr. Voter, how would you like to have a county judge who would use his money to defend the crooks, criminals and murderers? Could we expect Mr. Fehl to take any different attitude as judge than he has as a citizen? Do you think that the process of electing him judge would change his attitude from that of sympathy for and a desire to defend criminals to a desire to fight and prosecute them?

In the past five years have you ever known of Mr. Fehl taking a stand in the columns of his newspaper in support of an officer of the law, when controversies have arisen between officers and bootleggers, thieves and criminals?

I challenge him to come forward with one single instance wherein he has taken a straightforward stand for the officers. I cannot recall one.

### PAPER SAYS FEHL WARPED IN IDEAS ON SOCIAL ORDER

Following up yesterday's blast of indignation aimed at Earl Fehl for his attitude toward law enforcement, the Ashland Tidings' today editorially charges that the candidate for the Republican nomination for county judge displays a "warped conception of the obligation which an individual owes society." The editorial says in part:

"The Daily Tidings is opposing Mr. Fehl—we oppose him because we believe that to entrust him with a public service would be resultant in great damage to the county. We base our opinion of his utter unfitness to hold public office on his own statements. "A single copy of Mr. Fehl's publication, that of April 2, 1931, is before us now.

"In this single copy appears two paragraphs for which Mr. Fehl, as editor and publisher, must accept responsibility. One relates to the Prescott murder, the other to the Bowles-Loucks case. One strikes directly at the forces of law and order, the other at the basic foundation of our civilization and our nation—the home.

"Either of these paragraphs obligates a warped conception of the obligation which an individual owes society—either of these paragraphs is sufficient to warrant the defeat of Mr. Fehl for any public trust.

"We repeat—there is no personal animosity toward Mr. Fehl. We simply are attempting to fulfill our obligation to our readers by acquainting them with actual facts concerning Mr. Fehl's mental attitude. We have confidence in their good judgment to act in their own best interest by defeating Mr. Fehl at the polls tomorrow."

Earl Fehl, candidate for the Republican nomination for county judge—who is sure to procure this nomination unless the voters awake to the destructive mental attitude

### MEMORIAL RITES BAPTIST CHURCH

The annual memorial Sunday service in Medford will be held this year at the Baptist church, North Central avenue, at 11 a. m., May 22.

The pastor of the church, Rev. W. H. Eaton, will occupy the pulpit and the program and sermon will be appropriate and impressive.

It is desired that all veteran and patriotic organizations be represented at this service by a good proportion of their entire membership and that they bring their families with them.

The general public is also cordially invited to attend.

### Hoax Confession Lands Curtis in Jail



Associated Press telephoto of John H. Curtis of Norfolk, Va., being taken to jail at Flemington, N. J., after his arrest in investigation of his story how he perpetrated a hoax on Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh. Curtis, socially prominent and a shipbuilder, told police he had deceived the Lindberghs by declaring he was in touch with kidnapers of their child.

### FRUIT INSPECTION SERVICE COMBINE TOPIC AT SESSION

Today's meeting of the Rogue River Valley Traffic association was devoted largely to a discussion of the proposed combination of the state-federal inspection service, with the new sanitary certificate for scale and maggot, which will be required during the coming shipping season for a large proportion of export shipments. Advice received by the association from R. G. Phillips, secretary of the International Apple association brought about the discussion among local shippers, and it was decided to ask representatives of the state-federal inspection service to meet with the shippers in the near future, for a more thorough discussion of the problem.

In response to a request from the Traffic association, it was re-lated at the meeting, Congressman R. R. Butler has contacted the interstate commerce commission, asking for an early decision on the opinion of his utter unfitness to hold public office on his own statements.

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### Rain May Cut Vote Grants Pass Area

GRANTS PASS, Ore., May 19.—(AP)—Intermittent showers began falling here early today, continuing throughout the day. Indications are for more rain tomorrow, interfering with the general election Friday.

### Held As Slayer



Associated Press Photo  
Clarence Woolery, 14, was charged with killing Mrs. Frank Garlock near Baker, Ore. Police say he confessed the slaying because the woman reproached him. He was adopted five years ago.

### Election Facts

Medford Polling Places  
North Main—Hotel Holland  
South Main—Public Library  
North Central—City Hall  
South Central—Jackson Hotel  
North Riverside—Lincoln School  
Oakdale—Senior High School  
Newtown—First Methodist Church  
Northeast—Boy Scout Hdqrs.  
Southeast—Roosevelt School  
East—Jud Rickett Home  
Southwest—Washington School  
West—Summit Grocery  
Northwest—Jackson School

Suburban  
Orchard Home—Luke Residence  
Perrydale—Oak Grove School  
Howard—Howard School  
Roxey Ann—Chanticleer Station  
Polls open at 8:00 a. m.; close 8:00 p. m.  
None but registered voters can vote.

### BODY IN CLOSET CASTS SUSPICION ON FOSTER SON

SEATTLE, Wash., May 19.—(AP)—Mrs. Sione Carter, 53, was found dead in a closet of her home here early today by her husband, J. H. Carter, a mechanic, and her foster son, Richard, 19, who disappeared mysteriously last night, was being sought by police.

A diamond ring belonging to Mrs. Carter is missing, her husband said, and her purse found in the closet with the body empty.

Carter told authorities his wife was absent when he returned home last night and that Richard, who had prepared dinner, said his mother had gone to a meeting.

### LINDBERGH HINT IN ANONYMOUS LETTER

TRENTON, N. J., May 19.—(AP)—Chief of Police William Walter disclosed today that 10 days after the kidnaping of the Lindbergh baby he received an anonymous letter from Buffalo, N. Y., saying the baby might be found by following the Lindbergh telephone lines. He turned the letter over to state police. The baby's body was found a week ago near the special police telephone lines to the Lindbergh garage.

Heavy Vote in Douglas  
ROSEBURG, Ore., May 19.—(AP)—With the heaviest registration on record, predictions are made that Douglas county will tomorrow cast its largest primary election vote, although the weather outlook is not favorable for a large turnout of the electorate.

### AMELIA TO TRY SOLO HOP OVER NORTH ATLANTIC

HARBROUCK HEIGHTS, N. J., May 19.—(AP)—Amelia Earhart Putnam took off from Tebeboro airport today for Harbor Grace, N. F., on the first leg of what she hopes will be the first solo flight by a woman across the Atlantic.

The takeoff was at 2:16 p. m. (eastern standard time).

Tomorrow night, weather permitting, she plans to soar along the perilous path through the skies she helped to break four years ago with two male companions—the first woman to fly across the Atlantic.

Her takeoff today was unannounced. She is flying a fast Lockheed monoplane, with a cruising radius of 3200 miles.

After she had gone her husband, George Palmer Putnam, publisher, who was her manager when she flew with Wilmer Stultz and Lew Gordon in 1928, was asked her destination.

### RADIO POOL MADE 'KILLING' FOR FEW

WASHINGTON, May 19.—(AP)—How John J. Raskob and other prominent persons profited \$4,224,978 from a week's pool operations on new radio stock in March, 1929, was related today in the senate's investigation of the stock market.

The investment which brought in almost \$5,000,000 in that short time was placed at \$12,683,900.

Those listed by William A. Gray, counsel for the inquiry, as having called handsome returns along with the chairman of the Democratic national committee, included:

### SHRINERS' DANCE IS AFFAIR OF SATURDAY

The Shrine dance to be staged at the county fairgrounds pavilion Saturday evening, is attracting much attention locally, and many members of the organization are expected to attend, as well as the public, which is invited to the affair.

Music for the evening will be furnished by Croft's Shrine dance band, and several special features will be included on the program throughout the evening.

Defer Bonus Action.  
WASHINGTON, May 19.—(AP)—The house rules committee today deferred until Monday action on the Patman resolution calling for full payment of the soldiers' bonus.

### OREGON INTEREST CENTERS IN VOTE ON CONGRESSMEN

Wet and Dry Issue Enters Race Between Steiwer and Opponents—Hawley, Delzell "Doped" for Finals

(By Leslie J. Smith.  
(Associated Press Staff Writer.)  
PORTLAND, Ore., May 19.—(AP)—Whether the voters will write in the name of Herbert Hoover on Friday's ballot in the Oregon presidential primary election in sufficient number to effect his nomination over Joseph Irwin, France of Maryland, appeared speculative today.

France is the only presidential candidate on the Republican ticket, and while there has been no organized sentiment for or against him, there has been but little activity in behalf of Hoover, except for a more or less general "write in Hoover" campaign.

Roosevelt Favorite.  
It has been conceded that Franklin D. Roosevelt will be accorded a substantial plurality on the Democratic ticket.

The 13 Oregon delegates to the Republican national convention will be pledged by an unwritten law to support the Oregon nominee. Likewise, the 10 Democratic delegates will be similarly pledged, such balloting to continue until the delegates are released by the candidates to whom they are pledged, or until all hope of victory has vanished.

Of the 20 Republican candidates who seek election as national delegate, not one made a straightforward endorsement of President Hoover. Twelve said simply they will be guided by the preference of Oregon Republicans.

### AMERICANS FEAR CHINESE REBELS

NANKING, China, May 19.—(AP)—The safety of 80 Americans, most of them missionaries, was threatened today at Pengpu by a host of 20,000 Chinese communists which was overrunning northern Anhwei province.

The communists had surrounded a force of 7000 Nanking troops west of Pengpu and threatened to cut the Tientsin-Pukow railway south of there, blocking the arrival of reinforcements to aid the embattled government troops.

Reports from Americans at Pengpu said they doubted the communists would be able to capture the city, but the apprehension was acute.

### Girl Sets New 'Chute' Record

OAKLAND, Cal., May 19.—(AP)—Smaranda Brasescu, Rumanian woman parachute jumper, today surprised the inhabitants of Tudor, California, 20 miles northwest of Marysville, by walking into the general store there and announcing she had just broken the women's world record for parachute jumping.

She jumped from 24,000 feet above sea level today over the Sacramento valley.

### WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., May 18.—Any time our Governor ("Prairie Hay") Bill Murray gets in an argument with the federal government over what a state can do with its own products, you can bet "Bill" will win. He knows more about state rights than any man in the country.

Went out with our popular Governor Rolph to accept the gift to the state of California of the biggest Arabian horse ranch in the world, given by Mr. Kellogg of Battle Creek. The governor knows good breakfast food and I know good horses. I don't want to detract from what may be mighty fine morning "fodder," but I am a ham and egg man myself.

Will Rogers