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EGAN FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER

Comment on the Day's News

THE most interesting development in the BIG news of the day is the resignation of Mayor Jimmy Walker, who, knowing that Governor Roosevelt was going to remove him, best him to it with the old line: "You can't fire ME. I resign."

MAYOR JIMMY resigns because he knows the reason is going to fire him. That raises this more or less interesting political question: What induces Governor Roosevelt to make up his mind to remove the mayor of the city of New York?

HERE, of course, is the answer: Because he decides that it will be more popular over the country as a whole to throw Mayor Walker out than to whitewash him and leave him in.

THIS writer, who would like to admire Franklin D. Roosevelt but finds himself cold and unresponsive whenever he tries it, is regretfully of the opinion that Governor Roosevelt is the sort of politician who weighs very carefully the probable effect of decisions in important matters and then decides upon the course of action that in his judgment will do him the most political good.

"BUT," you ask, "does that make him very much different from the general run of politicians?" The answer, unfortunately, is NO. Politicians generally are pretty much inclined to act that way. And, it must be added in fairness, those who DO act that way are apt to be the most successful.

Still, that doesn't alter the fact that with conditions in this country as they are at this particular moment in history we NEED leaders who have the courage to do the right thing, regardless of whether it is popular.

GOVERNOR ROOSEVELT after months of hesitation, has evidently decided that removal of Mayor Walker is the popular thing. Most of us out this way think it is also the RIGHT thing.

But in this writer's mind there lingers the suspicion that if he had decided that the popular thing was to whitewash Jimmy and leave him in office that would have been done.

SPAKING of the BIG news, just what really is big?

That all depends. If you are intensely interested in national and world affairs, it is news of these affairs that is big news to you. But if you are most deeply interested in the news of your own community and the people generally who live in it and what they are doing and why, then the BIG NEWS to you is the news that is close to you.

To most people, it is this news of their own communities and the people who live in them and what they are doing that is the really big news.

A FRIEND said to this writer the other day:

"When your column deals with local events or people, or with people and events in Southern Oregon, or with travels over the state of Oregon and what is to be seen, I READ IT. But when it deals with big and rather heavy events of world or national news, I pass it up. Why don't you write exclusively of things that are close to us?"

HERE is the answer:

This column, whether you read it or not, has to be produced every day. It is difficult in the extreme to find EVERY DAY subjects of interest that are close to home and that are capable of intelligent discussion.

So there you are.

GERMAN scientists, the Bend Bulletin tells us, have been working again on the problem of parental control of sex—which, reduced to plain language that everybody can understand, means ability to decide before it has been born whether you will have a boy or a girl baby. The Bulletin tells us:

"Now that they (these German scientists) have the answer, it all seems very simple. If you want a girl feature

LIFE IN PRISON IS RECOMMENDED IN JURY VERDICT

Former Public Defender Calm As Fate Heard After 72-Hour Deliberation — Tinnin Also Held Guilty

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Frank J. Egan, ousted public defender, and Albert Tinnin, his ex-convict associate, were found guilty today of the murder of Mrs. Jessie Scott Hughes. Life imprisonment was recommended.

The jury, which had deliberated 72 hours and 10 minutes, recommended life imprisonment.

Notice of appeal was filed. Joseph E. Dalmon, laundry owner, delivered the jury verdict as foreman. Before the jury came in Judge Frank H. Dianne announced he would appoint Acting Public Defender Gerald Kenny to represent Egan. In place of Attorney Vincent Hallinan, who was guilty of contempt of court during the final arguments and barred from further participation in the case.

Egan Protests Egan protested against the appointment. The jury summoned a bailiff at 11:18 a. m. and announced a verdict had been reached, but because another trial was occupying the courtroom it was nearly half an hour before the verdict was actually returned.

During that time Hallinan tried again to enter the courtroom, but was restrained by a bailiff. Dalmon then read the verdict finding Tibert Tinnin also guilty and recommending life imprisonment.

Egan heard the verdict without flinching. After Woman's Wealth Egan, who held the public defender's position for several years, was accused by the state of having planned the death of the aged woman, once his friend and client, so he might realize from her estate, consisting chiefly of insurance made payable to him. The prosecution charged that Egan threatened Tinnin and Verne Doran, former chauffeur of Egan, into killing the woman.

Doran, who also faced a murder charge, testified for the state. He said Egan threatened to have them returned to prison as parole violators unless they acceded to his demands. He said he and Tinnin went to Mrs. Hughes' home and Tinnin knocked her unconscious, then placed her body under the wheels of their heavy automobile and directed Doran to drive over it. Later he said they cast the body into a street to make her death appear to have been a hit-and-run accident.

Tinnin, former Polson penitentiary saxophone player, frowned and gripped his hands tightly as the verdict was read.

CANNOT USE ALL HAND LABOR FOR STATE HIGHWAYS

PORTLAND, Sept. 6.—(AP)—The three million dollars which Oregon will spend on highways of the state under projects now contemplated will not be employed on a force account hand labor basis. And the work will be done on main highways where improvement is necessary, rather than in places where it is not at present usable.

This statement was made Monday by Leslie M. Scott, chairman of the state highway commission. "Oregon has spent \$1,500,000 this year for hand labor relief employment by force account," Scott said. "One-half of that sum would have done the same work on a competitive basis. But the present usable value of the work done is much less, probably not more than 10 per cent of the sum expended."

Hereafter the contract plan will be used in building roads, a requirement of the government, Scott said, since federal funds are being used.

Another rule the commission will invoke, Scott said, is that counties in which such federal money is to be employed cannot hope to confine employment on those projects to residents of such counties alone.

CHAMBERS, Ore., Sept. 6.—(AP)—Speaking of highway plans proposed for the state highway commission, Leslie M. Scott, chairman of the com-

A Modern Venus



Dorothea Cunningham has been selected by the American Progressive Chiropractic association as the most nearly perfect health specimen to serve as guide to chiropractic. She is 19 years old, weighs 107 pounds and stands five feet three inches. (Associated Press Photo)

ROTARIANS, LADIES TO ENJOY ANNUAL PICNIC TONIGHT

Medford Rotarians and their ladies and guests will enjoy their annual picnic tonight, according to a report of the picnic committee made at this noon's Rotary meeting. The event will be held at the spacious home of Hamilton Patton on Capitol Hill and elaborate preparations have been made by the committee in charge to assure the success of the affair. A picnic dinner will be served at 6 p. m. and will be followed by dancing and cards. Swimming in the Patton pool will also be available for those who care to indulge in this sport.

Rotarian E. R. Ristine of Mt. Vernon, Ia., was the principal speaker at today's meeting, telling of his travels over 44 states and visits to many Rotary clubs throughout the nation. He also spoke of the international convention recently held in Seattle, at which session he was a delegate, and told of the large attendance of representatives from 50 different countries in the world. The "farmers' strike" in Iowa was touched upon by the speaker, also the method of adjusting price conditions in Cedar Rapids, Ia., by a conference of producers, retailers and consumers, which resulted in mutual satisfaction to all. Rotarian Ristine spoke highly of Medford and Jackson county, commenting highly upon the new county court house and complimenting the local citizens upon waiting to build this fine structure until funds were available to pay first.

C. J. Semon gave a report on the Southern Oregon golf tournament, and August Johnson announced plans for a service club golf tournament to be held in the near future. Plans for an intercity Rotary meeting at Klamath Falls on October 15 were discussed.

Visiting Rotarians at today's session were J. W. Stover of Sedalia, Mo., and E. R. Ristine of Mt. Vernon, Ia. Guests included Prof. D. S. Libby, park naturalist of Crater national park, and Kenneth Waters of Salem.

MISS MELLING WEDS HERBERT GUENTHER

According to the Grants Pass Daily Courier, a marriage license was issued in that city Saturday morning to Herbert Henry Guenther, 25, and Elizabeth May Melling, 18, both of Medford.

No details of the wedding were obtainable from the parents of either. Guenther was reported today as being on a vacation and Miss Melling is also out of town.

Storm Misses Florida. MIAMI, Fla., Sept. 6.—(AP)—The Miami weather bureau announced today the tropical storm east of the American mainland had recurred out to sea and Florida was no longer in danger.

Cal Coolidge Presents "The Republican Case" For Guidance of Voter

Party's Platform Clear and Explicit Is Assertion of Former President in Urging Hoover Re-election

Ed. Note: Former President Calvin Coolidge presents "The Republican Case" in an interesting article in the Saturday Evening Post on sale today, excerpts from which the Mail Tribune is able to publish by special permission.

The article says in part: Our government is a government by political parties under the guiding influence of public opinion. There does not seem to be any other method by which a republic can function. For a great many years we have held very tenaciously to the two-party system, and those two parties have been charged with the responsibility of conducting our public affairs. Efforts to break away from this system have not been successful, because in general the people have recognized that their affairs were well administered and the suggestions made for establishing a new party have not seemed practical. When they have wished for reform, they have sought for it within the old parties, where with a little fundamental change they have been able to find adequate remedies for existing abuses.

Make-Up of a Party Not all the members of a political party think alike. They have a great diversity of opinions on many different subjects. It would not be possible to form or maintain a great party on any other basis. In deciding which party they wish to support people have to determine which is the most nearly representative of their views and which will probably provide them with the best kind of government they can reasonably expect. No party is perfect. No public officer is able on all occasions to do exactly what he wants to do. If he did we should find ourselves in the hands of a set of arbitrary despots instead of a body of representatives of the general trend of public opinion.

Parties are made up of far more than their present individual members and platform declarations. They consist of a great body of traditions which are oftentimes of more importance and more influence in determining final decisions than the loud and ostentatious affirmations of the hour. For more than two generations the Republican party has been one of the most effective instruments of popular government that ever existed.

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ONE OPINION BY SUPREME COURT ROOSEVELT WILL IGNORE MEDFORD

SALEM, Sept. 6.—(AP)—The supreme court today handed down but a single written opinion as it resumed its activities following a month's vacation. Hearing of appeals was also resumed today. In the opinion, Justice Harry E. Holt reversed the lower court in the case of Carolina F. Allegretto against the Oregon Automobile Insurance company, appellant, involving collection of damages for automobile injuries.

The lower court in Multnomah county, returned a judgment in favor of the plaintiff against the company, following unsatisfied judgment against Edward B. Harris, the insured.

MRS. PRINCE CAMPBELL SUCCEMBS IN EUGENE EUGENE, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Mrs. Prince L. Campbell, widow of the late president of the University of Oregon, died at her home here today. Dr. Campbell was president of the university from 1902 until his death in 1925. Mrs. Campbell was one of the best loved figures in Eugene's cultural and social life.

CRACKSMEN USE RADIO TO FOIL POLICE ALARM

CHICAGO, Sept. 6.—(AP)—A gang of "radio cracksmen" was sought today by the police for the robbery of the safety deposit boxes of Koch & Co., where they obtained loot variously estimated from \$100,000 to \$1,000,000. The "radio" burglars, so called by the police because they are said to set up a low wave radio to notify them if a police alarm was sent while they were at work, are believed by the authorities to have been operating on a nation-wide scale. Police Lieutenant Joseph Roman said the same group of criminals was responsible for a safe-blowing "job" in Cincinnati, which netted \$500,000. He also said he believed they cut into a vault of a bank at Highland, Wis., last October 9, escaping with a large sum of money.

"Last October 26 this same radio precaution," the lieutenant said, "saved the entire gang from capture. The radio brought the police alarm to the cracksmen just as squads were ordered to trap them in the International Investment Co., where they were preparing to cut up from the basement into the safety box vault." The exact amount of the loot in the Koch & Co. robbery Saturday awaited the opening of time locks to

in Cleveland, American 4 12 1 St. Louis 3 10 1 Russell and Rexella Hadler and

EDUCATION BOARD FAILS TO CHOOSE NEW CHANCELLOR

No Reference Made to Resignation of President Hall of University of Oregon — Finance to Be Studied

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 6.—(AP)—No action was taken, nor reference made, at the morning session of the Oregon state board of higher education either to the resignation of President Hall as head of the University of Oregon or the selection of a chancellor as supreme executive head of the various educational institutions. The board recessed shortly after mid-afternoon for the consideration of a report from the finance committee, which went into session immediately following the luncheon hour. All members of the board were present, except C. C. Cool.

No candidate for political office, nor any political propaganda or propaganda will be permitted to exploit their wares through the medium of the state owned and operated radio broadcasting station at Corvallis, the board decided. The matter had been laid before the board for a statement of its policy, with the suggestion that it might be in furtherance of public information were seekers after office, proponents and opponents of initiative and referendum measures and constitutional amendments permitted to present their arguments over the Corvallis station. President Kerr opposed the proposition, insisting that "it would be most unwise." He pointed out that were the station to make a charge for its use, it would commercialize it, and put it directly into competition with private owned stations.

Registers 2233 Pupils in City School Opening With the six public schools in Medford opening this morning, and classes scheduled for the afternoon, 2233 pupils were registered for the opening day, according to figures released at the offices of E. H. Hedrick, city school superintendent.

The largest enrollment was given for the Junior high school with 610 pupils, and senior high school listed second, with 474 registrations. Of the four grade schools, the largest number of children was reported from the Washington school, where the total reached 333 this afternoon. Roosevelt had 305 listed, while Jackson had 268, and Lincoln, 242.

Mr. Hedrick said this afternoon, that although today's registration was below that of last year, there is still a number of students to come in, some of whom are working in the fruit, and others who have not returned from vacation trips.

Charles G. Smith is principal of the senior high school; B. R. Finch, junior high school; J. C. Tucker, Washington; Miss Sara Van Meter, Roosevelt; H. W. Guistin, Jackson, and Miss Ora Cox, Lincoln.

Books are being furnished up to and including the eighth grade, and distribution is being handled in the four grade schools by aides of Miss Winifred Andrews, head librarian. After the initial issuing of books the supply will be kept in the central library, Mr. Hedrick said today.

High school books are available at the Koke-Chapman book store, Brown's Drug store, and the Office Stationery and Supply company. Work of the health department will be started actively next week, according to Mrs. A. E. Dodson, city school nurse. At that time, examinations will be given to the children in all of the schools.

COUNCIL WILL TALK OVER MOVING PLANS

The regular meeting of the city council will be held in the council chambers this evening at eight o'clock, at which time it is expected decisions will be reached concerning the moving of offices to the city hall on Fifth and Central streets.

Pear Markets

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Pears: 61 cars arrived, 47 California, 12 Oregon, 4 New York, 1 Washington unloaded; 26 on track; by boat 4 New York arrived; slightly stronger. California Bartlett's, 23,960, best, \$1.90-2.85; new \$3.10; ordinary, \$1.60-2.60; common and ripe, \$1.50-2.05; few low to \$1.20; average, \$2.19. Oregon Bartlett's 2140; extra fancy, \$1.35 to \$2; tops, \$1.10-1.40; average, \$1.60; fancy, \$1.30-1.70; tops, 95c-1.35; average, \$1.42. Washington Bartlett's 950; extra fancy, \$1.50-1.85; average, \$1.75.

CHICAGO, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Six California, 3 Colorado, 7 Oregon arrived; 24 on track; by truck 2 Michigan; 17 sold. California Bartlett's, \$1.50-2.95; average, \$2.05.

MAIL TRIBUNE'S ANNUAL BARGAIN BRINGS THROUGH

The circulation department of the Mail Tribune was kept busy today receiving subscription renewals and new subscriptions on the opening day of the annual bargain rate period. Several Tribune readers were in the office at the opening hour and a steady flow continued throughout the day up to press time.

Under the bargain rates this year mail subscribers may receive the paper for \$4 per year—those served by carrier continue at the \$5 rate. The bargain days will continue in effect up to and including September 12. No subscriptions at the bargain rate will be received after the latter time except where bearing a mailing date not later than September 12.

RACE WITH COP ALONG HIGHWAY ENDS IN COURT

Edgar Smith, 21, of Portland, challenged a state policeman to race on the Jacksonville highway last night, and did some fancy racing before the siren sounded. Smith is alleged to have passed the state police car, and to have waved his hand in a signal to "come on." An exciting contest ensued. Smith will be arraigned in justice court today, charged with speeding. He had four passengers—two in the rumble seat.

Robert Head, 25, an employee of the national park service, is charged with operating with a foreign license, and Fred Johnson of Prospect for not having a driver's license, as the result of an auto collision on the Crater Lake highway yesterday.

Head, the police allege, tried to convince them he was a resident of California. The crash occurred when Johnson tried to turn into a side road and there was a mixup in signals. Several near-accidents were reported as the result of autos failing to observe stop signs at main highways. The worst places are the Eagle Point intersection with the Crater Lake highway and the intersection at the Frank Bybee place on the Jacksonville road.

STOCKS SHOW BIG GAINS IN AUGUST

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—(AP)—The market value of all shares listed on the Stock Exchange increased \$7,287,742.341 in August, the exchange announced today. The quoted value was \$27,782,501,806 September 1, against \$20,494,759,465 August 1. The average quotation of listed shares was \$21.18 September 1, against \$15.58 August 1. Total borrowings by member firms against collateral on September 1 amounted to 1.19 per cent of the market value. This ratio was 1.9 August 1.

Jar Of Fruit To Serve As Ticket

Plans are in formation for a special morning matinee next Saturday at the Fox Craterian theater, admission to which will be one quart jar of canned food or one quart jar of sugar, or three empty jars, with tops. The proceeds of the show will be turned over to the Jackson county unemployment relief work.

MYSTERY CLOAKS SUICIDE OF FILM STAR'S HUSBAND

Jean Harlow, Platinum Blond Beauty, Hysterical After News of Tragedy — Married Only Two Months

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 6.—(AP)—In an effort to uncover a motive for the apparent suicide of Paul Bern, motion picture producer, Inspector of Detectives David A. Davidson announced today he would question Jean Harlow, screen star, who married the producer two months ago. Davidson said he would call on Miss Harlow at the home of her parents as soon as he received word the actress was in a condition to be interviewed. Miss Harlow was reported near a collapse today.

Although Davidson said there was no doubt in his mind that the death of Bern, whose body was found yesterday afternoon in his Benedict Canyon home, was a suicide, the inspector said he wanted to clear up all angles of the case. "Miss Harlow may be able to tell something that will aid us in our investigation," he said.

Widow Near Collapse. The widow was at the home of her parents in Beverly Hills today. She became hysterical on being informed of the death of her husband, and so far has made no statement to police. "There was little for the police detective to reconstruct a story of the tragedy, and, seemingly, there was more to ensue in a mystery which was something akin to the script of

SEVEN CELEBRATE TOO STRENUOUSLY

Seven drunks were lodged in jail Saturday night by city police, with three forfeiting cash bail of \$500 each when they failed to appear before Judge Glenn O. Taylor in justice court this morning. Eddie Williams of San Francisco, a transient; John Doe of Medford and W. W. Chandler forfeited bail. The other six transients without money, were "floated" from town. They were James and Robert Roberts, brothers from Galice, Ed Spencer of Reese creek and Joe Johnson.

Copper Advances In Foreign Markets

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—(AP)—The copper industry was further cheered today by the increasing firmness of foreign metal prices. It was reported that copper sold abroad as high as 625 cents a pound, cif. Hamburg, Havre and London.

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BISHOP, Cal., Sept. 5.—I bought my worn ranch. The man is to turn over 200 yearling worms, 2000 2-year-olds, 500 bull worms and the rest a mixed herd. Now I find in these Sierra Nevada they are fishing with grasshoppers, so I got a grasshopper ranch adjoining. Am going to do a Luther Burbank—cross my grasshoppers and worms and produce an animal that n' the fish don't bite at him he will bite the fish, so you get your fish anyhow.

I am no fisherman and hope I never get lazy enough to take it up. I am in these mountains on an essential industry (ask Bill Hayes.) But these loafers up here tell me that the fish are not biting this year, and you would be surprised the votes Hoover is losing.

Yours, Will Rogers