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PILOT LOST AFTER HOP QUAFF HERE

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

HEAT wave sweeps Southern Oregon. People complain. "Terrible, isn't it?" they will tell each other. "Never saw it hotter at this time of the year."
Only a few days ago, these same people were complaining bitterly about the cold, damp, backward spring. By "these same people" is meant all of us. We were all doing it.

WHAT on earth would we do without the weather?
It provides us with a topic of conversation when he can't think of anything else to say, thus saving many an awkward situation. This writer sometimes wonders what would become of social contacts if we didn't have the weather to get the conversation opened up.
And if we didn't have the weather to complain about, we'd certainly be lost.

ANOTHER odd thing about the weather:
This particular individual was going along on Wednesday and thinking nothing much about it until he heard that the mercury had touched 100.
Before that time, the heat hadn't been noticed; immediately afterward, it became oppressive.

MORAL: Don't look at the thermometer in hot weather. Another moral: A lot of our troubles are in our minds—the heat, for example. When we don't know how hot it is, we're happy; when we do, we get uncomfortable.

MAYBE the warm wave is a bit uncomfortable, but it's exceedingly good for what ails us. With plenty of moisture in the ground, the crops that had been held back by the cold, late spring are booming along. One can almost see things grow.
And a good crop here in the Southern Oregon country is going to help a lot this year, because it looks now as if a good crop might be worth quite a little money.

"BUSINESS," a merchant said to this writer yesterday, "is really beginning to get better."
"People have a little more money than they had a while back, and what they have they are spending a little more freely. They have more confidence in the future, and are not so much afraid to let go of what money they have in return for things they need."

THAT is to say, people are beginning to believe now that they will be able to get hold of more money to replace that which they spend for what they need. A little while back, they weren't at all sure of it. The money in their pockets then looked like all the money in the world. So they felt they must hang onto it at any cost.
With returning confidence in the future, people feel that it is again safe to spend what they can afford for necessities.
That is one reason why business is getting better.

A LITTLE bit later, when STILL MORE money gets into people's pockets, and when confidence in the future becomes still stronger, they will begin to spend not only for necessities but for those things that we call luxuries.
When that happens, business really WILL be better. It takes free spending to make business good.

THERE'S just one thing that worries me a little," this merchant continued. "Prices are going up exceedingly fast. If they go up faster than the earning capacity of our customers, we'll be hurt."

THAT is true.
We look upon rising prices as an indication that business is getting better, but if prices rise faster than the ability of average people to pay these prices business WON'T get better.
It CAN'T. Business can be good only as the great majority of all the people in this country have money with which to buy what is produced.
If prices KEEP ON rising faster than wages, the return of prosperity will be checked.

FOR the present, however, this is true:
As prices rise, those who get the better prices will be enabled to make a profit. As they are enabled to make a profit...

SOUTHERN OREGON MOUNTAINS HIDE FATE PLANE FLIER

Score Of Planes Search Wilds For William Young After Disappearance To Portland From Airport.

ROSEBURG, Ore., June 17.—(AP)—The wild, jagged mountains of the Crow creek canyon in southern Oregon were scanned from the air by a score of fliers today as comrades of William Young, 28, Portland aviator, sought some trace of him or his plane, unreported since shortly before midnight Friday.

The missing flier disappeared between Medford and Portland and the search centered in the Crow creek region after a forest service employe said he had heard a plane circling in the fog last night in the vicinity of Devil's Knob. Fliers searched the area by night along the Medford-Portland airway, except for a bank of fog in the mountain wilderness.

Young, who formerly flew the Portland airway between Portland and Walla Walla, took a passenger from Portland to Medford last night, reaching the southern Oregon city at 11:30 p. m. Thirty minutes later he took off for Portland, where he should have arrived 1 1/2 hours later.

There was no report from his radio set at 1 a. m., and ground operators became concerned. Calls to his ship went unanswered, and a check with all ground stations brought no information. By dawn several planes were in the air in search of the missing man, and by noon today 15 others had assembled from Portland, Salem and Eugene.

Eleven planes were on the airport here late today, alternating in a systematic search of the wide area in which Young may have crashed or been forced down.

MATTERN SEARCH ORDERED BY ALL ALASKA VESSELS

WASHINGTON, June 17.—(AP)—Admiral William V. Pratt, chief of naval operations, tonight ordered all naval vessels and airplanes in Alaskan waters and in the vicinity of the Aleutian waters to search for Jimmy Matern, round-the-world flier missing on a hop from Siberia to Alaska.

The navy department said the repair ship Argonne, in command of Captain Harry Dact, was in Alaskan waters and that at least two navy fliers also were in the vicinity. They were Knight William A. Moffett, Jr., son of the late Rear Admiral Moffett, and Lieutenant John Vest.

Pratt's order instructed all naval vessels and pilots to make every effort, by sea and plane, to locate the missing airman.

ASHI AND WINS CHEMISTRY TEST

PORTLAND, Ore., June 17.—(AP)—The Ashland, Ore., high school team won first place in the third annual Pacific coast high school chemistry contest. Professor B. K. Strong, chairman of the contest committee, announced here today. Ashland high will hold the trophy that has been in possession of Montezono, Wash., high school this year.

Examinations were written June 14 by Ashland, Snohomish, Wash., and Polson City, Calif., winners in their respective states. The Ashland team, taught by B. C. Forsythe, included Frank Billings, Homer Clinton, Charles Gallison and James Martin.

BREWER HELD FOR \$100,000 RANSOM BY KIDNAP GANG

Money Ready For William Hamm's Release—Verne Sankey Suspected—Death Promised Police Interfere.

ST. PAUL, Minn., June 17.—(AP)—A \$100,000 ransom was reported ready tonight for payment to kidnapers of William Hamm, Jr., 29, millionaire president of the Theodore Hamm Brewing company.

The kidnapers delivered an ultimatum that they would kill Hamm unless \$100,000 was paid. If authorities interfered, Police remained in the background as H. J. Charles, attorney for the brewing company, sought to make contact with the abductors.

Eager to exchange \$100,000 for the brewer's release, members of his family were reported to have withdrawn that sum from a Minneapolis bank.

The few clues were said by police to point toward Verne Sankey, fugitive for a year since the kidnaping here of young Haskell Bohn, son of a refrigerator manufacturer, and also wanted for the kidnaping at Denver of Charles Boettcher II.

A taxi driver who handed to William Hamm, Jr., business associate of Hamm, a note demanding the ransom identified a picture of Sankey as the man who paid him \$2 to deliver it.

Hamm was kidnaped at noon Thursday as he walked from his office toward his home. His disappearance was kept secret while associates sought to obtain his release, but members of his family announced it today, requesting authorities to do nothing to endanger his life.

Charles issued a brief statement saying: "Mr. Dunn, (St. Paul sales manager for the brewing company) is now the official contact man in dealing with this case. We are anxious to pay the money and get Mr. Hamm back."

The money was to be delivered, under instructions from the kidnapers, in an open empty brewery truck, containing only the driver and the ransom.

FEDERALS MOVE TO HALT GUNMEN

WASHINGTON, June 17.—(AP)—The federal government, angered by the slaying of a department of justice operative in Kansas City, was moving tonight toward stamping out racketeers and gunmen.

The slaying of Raymond J. Caffrey, the justice department man, in an attempt at Kansas City to free or kill Frank Nash, an Oklahoma train robber, was accepted by Attorney General Cummings as outright defiance of a governmental agency which gangsters have long respected.

He answered the challenge with an order to set the entire justice department on the trail of the killers and specifically assigned a detail from points near Kansas City to the case. Cummings' order, by coincidence, followed closely a statement by President Roosevelt last night that "we must protect" the newly legalized trade associations "from the racketeers who invade organizations of both employers and workers."

WORLD LEADERS IN LONDON ECONOMIC CONFERENCE



Delegates from virtually every country are meeting in the Geological museum, London, to seek ways and means of bettering the world economic situation. Secretary Cordell Hull heads the American delegation and Premier Ramsay MacDonald of Great Britain, Premier Daladier of France and Viscount Ishii of Japan are the chief delegates of their countries. (Associated Press Photos)

SCHOOL DIRECTORS TO BE NAMED AT MONDAY ELECTION

Tomorrow is school election day in Medford and the polls will be open from 2 o'clock to 7 o'clock at the Senior high school on South Oakdale.

Any naturalized or natural born citizen of voting age, who has been in the state of Oregon six months and in the Medford school district for 30 days will be eligible to vote. Voters are not required to register to pay the money and get Mr. Hamm back.

Two directors will be chosen at tomorrow's election to serve for three year terms on the board. Two members of the present board, W. H. Franklin and Eugene Thordike, are candidates for re-election and Dr. I. D. Phipps has been entered as a new candidate by a group represented by George Irerson, A. W. Pipes, J. C. Collins and Leland J. Knox, former member of the school faculty.

All persons interested in the welfare of the schools and the continuation of the fine educational standard established here during the past several years, are urged to go to the polls and vote. That educational standard, according to announcement of Dr. James Gilbert of the University of Oregon has placed Medford with the 10 best school systems of the United States in the recent classification of Columbia University.

ENGINEER IN JAIL ON THEFT CHARGE

Charles J. Bennett of Copper, an engineer, is being held in the county jail in lieu of \$1000 following his arrest Friday afternoon by state police, on a charge of stealing groceries Thursday from the cabin belonging to M. E. Porter, a miner on Brush creek.

Arrested with Bennett was his companion Edward F. Fish, a shoemaker, who also resides in the Carberry creek district. The Bennett family was camped there, according to officers, and the stolen food was recovered there. The two men were taken before Justice of the Peace W. R. Coleman, and Fish was released.

Officers stated that the sacks of food were tied in the trees with new shoe strings, which allegedly belonged to Fish. The Bennetts are said to be transients, without means.

BANKS SCHEDULED FOR CELL RETURN IN COMING WEEK

Llewellyn A. Banks, convicted slayer, and former local agitator, orchardist, and editor, is scheduled to return to a cell in the Lane county jail at Eugene this week, after a month spent in the hospital, and to have his motion for a new trial presented.

Circuit Judge George F. Skipworth, while no definite announcement has been made, is expected to return to Eugene upon completion of the Walter Jones ballot theft trial now underway. The Jones trial is expected to be concluded not later than Wednesday.

Attorney Enright, one of Banks' counsel, last week presented a motion, asking for six days further time in which to file a motion for a new trial. The court granted it, with the specified understanding it was to be the last time. Banks was given until Thursday, June 22, to file the motion. It is a month to the day, from the date of his conviction, of second degree murder, which carries with it a mandatory life sentence. Banks was removed to the hospital the day following his conviction, and two weeks ago he was operated upon for a glandular ailment.

According to reports received the past week, Banks is convalescing rapidly and is able to be up in his street clothes, and has recovered from the effects of the operation.

According to reports here, Lane county has arranged a cell space on the second floor of its ancient jail for the detention of Banks. He is now a Lane county prisoner, and Jackson county has no concern with the expense of his keep. His hospital bills were guaranteed by a brother-in-law, Charles P. Moran, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Banks has also recovered from the nervous strain of the trial. After the motion for the new trial is submitted, it is anticipated that Banks will file the usual appeal to the state supreme court, if necessary, which requires from 60 days to 18 months for a decision depending on the importance of the case.

It is known that in the past three weeks, friends of the convicted agitator have endeavored to produce affidavits from local and county residents in support of the new trial contentions.

Reports reaching this city, Friday said that Banks was in good spirits, and taking keen interest in the ballot theft trials now in progress here. Testimony in the La Dieu trial, pictured Banks and his wife, as the plotters for his former loyal business aide, and in the Jones trial, the leaders of the "Good Government Congress" he knew of the crime.

John Glenn, former county jailer is scheduled to go to trial, for ballot theft with the completion of the Jones trial. In the conspiracy which the state holds was formed to steal the ballots, and thwart the sheriff race, La Dieu, convicted last week by a jury, Glenn now on trial, Glenn, former county jailer, Tom L. Breckenridge, Ashland political worker, Earl H. Pehl, county judge, and suspended Sheriff Gordon L. Schermerhorn are listed as members by the state.

CHARLES W. PALM REALTY BROKER CALLED TO REST

Charles W. Palm, 72 years old, long time resident of Medford and one of Jackson county's best known citizens, succumbed to an extended illness at his home on South Holly street at Eleventh, at 7:00 o'clock Saturday morning, June 17.

Mr. Palm was born at Lima, Ohio, on May 16, 1861. In the year 1888, at the age of 27, he took up his residence in Medford, where he has since resided.

Soon upon his arrival here, he engaged in the real estate business which he followed for a period of 25 years and from which he retired 20 years ago.

Besides his wife, Callie Ewert Palm, he leaves one sister and one brother, Mrs. Emma Starrett of Columbus, Ohio, and G. F. Palm of Portland, Ore.

Funeral services will be held at the Conger chapel at 2:30 Tuesday with the Rev. William B. Hammon officiating. Entombment will follow in the Medford memorial mausoleum.

"Charles" Palm was not only one of Medford's first residents, but one of the largest holders of business property in the city. A great believer in real estate as an investment, he owned at the time of his death the business block at the corner of Main and Front, partly occupied by Browns, a similar block of buildings at the corner of Main and Pine, the corner occupied by Cleo's, also the Rialto theatre property, and many residence properties in various parts of the city.

Two or three years ago Mr. Palm was stricken by a serious disease necessitating a major operation by Dr. Coffey of Portland, from which he never recovered. During this period, he bore his suffering with the greatest courage and fortitude and even when his friends and family had given up hope he kept on fighting for his health.

Up to within a few weeks of his death Mr. Palm attended to his own business affairs, being a familiar sight in the center of town where his properties were located, usually in his closed car with Mrs. Palm, his faithful wife and companion, for many years, and his two devoted cocker spaniel dogs.

Both witnesses said Fleming returned in a few minutes and all left for Bryant's truck parked on Laurel street near the "Beauty Shoppe." Fleming, when they reached the truck said: "Wait a minute, Judge Pehl wants..."

CONGRESS CHIEFS KNEW OF BALLOT THEFTS IS CLAIM

Trial Of Jones, Rogue River Mayor, Tends To Show Leaders Of The G. G. C. Aware Of Happenings.

Evidence tending to show that the leaders and organizers of the self-styled "Good Government congress," which held a "conclave" in the courthouse auditorium on the night of the ballot theft, knew of the vote stealing and were counseled by Walter J. Jones of Rogue River, on trial as one of 22 defendants, to delay their departure from the courthouse by the rear door, was introduced by the state at the Saturday morning session.

Testimony at the La Dieu trial showed that the "congress" cheered unwittingly as one of the means to muffle the sound of falling glass when the ballot vault window was broken.

Held Crowd Back
Wilbur Sexton testified that Jones told him he was going into the auditorium, and tell "them not to come out now." This, the witness said, was while the ballot robbery was nearing its end. Henrietta B. Martin, president of the organization, her father, C. H. Brown, its secretary, his wife, L. A. Banks, convicted slayer and honorary president, and L. O. Van Wagon, driver of the red auto, in which they came to the meeting, in the auditorium, an "unusually length of time," Attorney Moody said in his opening statement. Mrs. C. H. Brown and Van Wagon, defense witnesses, were at variance on the number of auto passengers.

Sexton, 17, who with C. Jean Conners, vice-president and "parliamentarian" of the "congress," and listed as one of the "Green Spring Mountain boys," entered the vault to remove the ballot pouches, also testified that Jones was around the courthouse, "part of the time with a monkey-wrench, and the remainder with a hammer up his right sleeve," ostensibly on guard.

His station was at the southwest corner, Sexton testified the monkey-wrench, and said Jones told him he would fit anybody in the head who tried to pass.

Earl Bryant and James D. Gaddy, of Jacksonville, testified that when they returned to the courthouse from a trip to the "News" with E. A. Fleming of Jacksonville, they were stopped at the southeast corner of the courthouse by two men. One took Fleming away. The other guarded them and had a hammer in his hand Bryant testified. They could not identify the man but "he told us to back up against the courthouse, so we would be out of the light."

The trio attended the "conclave." Both witnesses said Fleming returned in a few minutes and all left for Bryant's truck parked on Laurel street near the "Beauty Shoppe." Fleming, when they reached the truck said: "Wait a minute, Judge Pehl wants..."

VOTE TO DECIDE FATE OF REPEAL

CONCORD, N. H., June 17.—(AP)—New Hampshire voters Tuesday will ballot to ratify or reject the 21st amendment.

The present legislature has leaned toward repeal, the new 32 per cent beer was allowed to be sold by vote of the lawmakers and another bill, which would permit sale of six per cent beer and wine to be sold if the dry law was repealed was passed by both houses. This bill awaits the signature or veto of Governor John W. Whittemore.

INDUSTRIES PLAN TO BOOST WAGES

WASHINGTON, June 17.—(AP)—Agreements among more than half a dozen major industries, to raise wages, stabilize hours of work and ban sales below cost of production were understood tonight to be nearing completion for submission to Hugh B. Johnson, administrator of the national recovery act.

DROP OF DOLLAR WAS ENGINEERED BY OFFICIALDOM

More Than Law Of Nature Behind Exchange Movement Is Revelation—Came Like Bolt From Blue

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By Paul Mallon
WASHINGTON, June 18.—There was more than the law of nature behind the downfall of the dollar. Our government officials look like the cat that swallowed the canary whenever you mention the subject. So do officials of the Federal Reserve bank of New York and—believe it or not—J. P. Morgan.

None of those are stupid enough to leave any tracks uncovered. They deny with almost too much vehemence that they were manipulating foreign exchange to force the London economic conference into taking action. They swear things just happened that way. And imagine their surprise when the miracle transpired four days before the conference opened.

It was like a bolt from the blue—if you know what they mean. With things in that state it would probably be better to tell this inside story in the potential mood. That means only what the government, the Federal Reserve and our bankers might have done to run the British pound up from \$3.85 to \$4.18 within four days.

The inside situation there was bad for us. We wanted the pound pegged around \$4 as a temporary truce for the duration of the conference. As long as the pound was around \$3.85 the British laughed at us. They wanted it as low as possible to preserve their international trade benefits.

Then came the bolt. The pound started going up and dollars down. The day the conference opened it was \$4.18.

If this government wanted to run the pound and franc up, it would go to the New York Federal Reserve bank. It would suggest that the British could be made to see the light about an exchange truce if the pound were higher.

PLUM STREET TENANT THROWN OUT WINDOW

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Bingham, of 518 Plum street, and the latter's cousin, George T. Shollenburg, 20, all walked out of city court Saturday morning together, apparently the best of friends, although the evening before Shollenburg had thrown Bingham out the window of his own home (without opening the window).

The Binghams appeared at the city police station to file a complaint against Shollenburg, whom they had had arrested by city police on Friday night for disturbing the peace. However when the trio appeared in city court, the Binghams requested the charges be dropped. Bingham had several bandages on his head denoting places where the window glass had cut.

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., June 16.—Well, I had a tough time communicating with you all today. I first wrote one demanding the other 90 per cent of debts. Then I got to thinking that maybe we better grab the 10 per cent before they changed their minds. So I just finally decided that Roosevelt would just have to handle it alone. I refuse to enter into it.

A debt argument is just like a religious one, it's a mighty good thing to stay out of. Everybody's mind is made up already.

When that Little New England Yankee, Calvin Coolidge, said "they hired the money, didn't they?" he covered all the ground.
Yours,
Will Rogers
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