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TRIAL OF SCHERMERHORN OPENS

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS.

THE FRENCH give out a statement to the effect that the world economic conference in London will be a failure unless currency stabilization is accomplished.

The United States doesn't want currency stabilization NOW. So, you see, if the conference fails, it will all be the fault of the wicked Americans. The blame just has to be put on America.

THE FRENCH want stabilization now, because they don't want the United States to obtain the advantages in world trade that follow the cheaper dollar.

So they are trying to force this country into doing what they want.

IF THIS WRITER were running things, which he ISN'T, he would say to France and the other nations assembled at the conference:

"In the past, we have played the Lady Bountiful at all these conferences, giving everything and receiving nothing. We're THROUGH. This time, we're going to get what we want or we're going home."

How do you feel about it?

WHEAT breaks sharply on the Chicago market last week, but RECOVERED, and is still above the dollar mark.

Why? Well, read this paragraph from an Associated Press dispatch in Wednesday's papers: "Relentless heat continues to torture Central States farmers whose fields have been deteriorating steadily, due to the scorching sun and lack of rainfall."

Drouth cuts the supply. With supply DOWN, prices go up.

THE GOVERNMENT, through the farm relief bill, is planning to limit production by law. Nature takes a hand and limits production by means of the weather.

Limitation of production by law MAY work. Limitation by nature's method HAS to work.

Everybody who has gone through a drouth knows that.

THE CITY of it is that sectional drouth is the burden on some areas and confer the benefits on others. Nature's methods are effective, but they are sometimes harsh.

HOW WILL the government limit production, say of wheat, by law? Well, here's the way it works: As you have read in the papers, a "processing" tax of 30 cents a bushel is to be levied on wheat—the tax to be paid by the processors; that is to say, the millers. It is expected that this tax will raise something like 130 million dollars the first year.

The sum so raised will be used to pay benefits to wheat growers who sign contracts promising acreage reduction in 1934 and 1935.

These growers, you see, will be paid to keep their land OUT OF PRODUCTION.

THIS IS the reasoning: If farmers find it more profitable to keep their land out of production, they will do so, thus reducing the acreage planted to crops.

In this way, it is hoped to head off the natural inclination to produce more as the price goes up.

WEATHER the plan works or not depends entirely on Mother Nature.

If weather conditions are normal, with production per acre average, the attempted reduction will materialize. If weather conditions are bad, with production per acre below normal, the reduction will more than materialize. But if weather conditions are GOOD, with production per acre ABOVE average, the reduction won't materialize.

You can't get around nature.

JURY SELECTION FOR EX-SHERIFF MOVING SLOWLY

Both Sides Exhaustive in Questioning—State Attorney Upheld in Right to Attempt Show Conspiracy

Circuit court adjourned this afternoon, between 1:45 and 3:15 o'clock, out of respect to the memory of Burrell Milo Baucum, martyred state policeman, slain last Saturday afternoon on Sexton mountain by two transient youths.

J. H. Hardy of Ashland, who admitted he was a member of the "committee of 100," an organization founded for the restoration of normalcy in Jackson county, and ending agitation was examined by the court and counsel for both sides at great length.

Hardy declared there was nothing that could prevent him from being a fair and impartial juror, that he had no prejudices, and had not been active on either side. He said he had known Ralph G. Jennings and his sons for 15 years.

Half of the jurors had been preliminarily questioned when the recess was called.

Slow progress was made this morning in the selection and examination of a jury in the trial of Suspended Sheriff Gordon L. Schermernhorn, charged with ballot-theft.

Both the state and defense counsel were explicit and exhaustive in their queries to test the qualifications of the prospective jurors. Up to noon three had been examined.

The defense is represented by Attorney Frank J. Newman, a personal friend of the defendant for many years, and H. Von Schmaltz of Burns, also counsel for John Glenn and E. H. Fehl. The state is represented by Assistant Attorney General Ralph E. Moody.

First Twelve.

The first 12 to fill the jury box were:

R. B. Vincent, Prospect; W. H. Arnold, Jacksonville; George S. Vestal, Central Point; Winnie K. Cook, Medford; Elizabeth A. Fowler, Rogue River; G. W. Godward, Jacksonville; J. H. Hardy, Ashland; Harold Crump, Ashland; William Joe Ne, Jacksonville; Perry Ashcraft, Ashland; C. S. Hatch, Rogue River and Elsie Churchman, Ashland.

Three women were among the first jurors drawn.

Following the temporary filling of the jury box, the state asked that at the conclusion of the trial, the court submit written instructions, without comment, to go with them to the jury-room, in their deliberations. The request was granted.

R. B. Vincent of Prospect, farmer, was the first juror examined. Vincent was excused, after he answered that he had read the writings of L. A. Vincent.

GLENN ACQUITTED OF PARTICIPATION IN BALLOT THEFT

Verdict Surprises Many—Lawyer Uses Sympathy Plea in Effective Closing Address Before Jury

John Glenn of Ashland, former county jailer, charged with ballot theft, a pensioned veteran of the Spanish-American war, was acquitted by a circuit court jury composed of six men and six women, after 11 hours deliberation, at 4:30 o'clock, in the morning of the Fourth of July.

Sympathy was a vital factor in the conclusions of the jury, according to court-house reports. Charles A. Blass of Trail was foreman.

Two Men For Conviction

On the first ballot, it was reported, five women and four men voted for acquittal, and shortly afterwards, the sixth woman joined them. Two men held out for conviction until the final ballot. Throughout the long discussion and deliberations until early in the morning, the count stood ten to two for acquittal.

The fact that Glenn is in ill health and stood to lose his government pension. It is reported, awayed the American jurors. Glenn was overjoyed by the verdict which, it was claimed, came on the 34th anniversary of a skirmish in which he was engaged in the Philippines. During the course of the closing arguments of Attorney Von Schmaltz of Burns, one of the women jurors, Mrs. Sylvia Kellogg, wept freely.

Verdict a Surprise

The verdict came as a surprise to hundreds of Jackson county residents who closely followed the trial, and the evidence submitted by the state.

The state contended that Glenn was one of the principals in the ballot theft and introduced evidence to show that he took an active part in the preliminaries, inducing the Sexton brothers to assist, with promises of "810 apiece, and good jobs." There was also testimony to show that Glenn had been present at "conferences" the night of the ballot theft, on the defendant floor, and in the county jail office and lobby.

Effective Plea

The closing plea of Attorney Von Schmaltz, a comrade of the defendant in the Philippines in 1898, was unquestionably effective with the jury. It was appealing, gentlemanly, and free from the abusive personalities and attacks against law enforcement agencies, which characterized his colleagues remarks.

The personnel of the jury was as follows:

Claude H. Long, Ashland, rancher; Elva Adams, Central Point, housekeeper.

A. I. Brooks, Kansas creek, farmer; Robert Newman, Applegate, miner; Sylvia L. Kellogg, Hillcrest road, housewife.

Glyde R. Richmond, Central Point, miner.

George B. Hammarley, Gold Hill, miner.

Mary Spencer, Ashland, housewife; Charles E. Blass, Trail, farmer; Sadie L. Prinke, Beagle, housewife; Mary E. Glenn, Valley View, housewife.

Celebration Takes Heavy Toll of Life; Many Injured

ECONOMIC CONFAB ENDING THURSDAY IS LONDON RUMOR

LONDON, July 5.—(AP)—The world economic conference will virtually be wound up tomorrow, according to highest authorities, barring some eleventh hour development.

The steering committee of the conference meets tomorrow to consider a proposal for adjournment, or recess, made by Hendrik Colijn, Dutch prime minister, and leader of a gold bloc country.

Even the American delegation tonight agreed that "recess" was desirable.

While expectations for dispersion of the great world conclave were becoming more certain, Cordell Hull, secretary of state, prepared a statement explaining the American position and showed it to Ramsey MacDonald, chairman of the conference.

It was understood in authoritative American quarters that the statement included a suggestion from President Roosevelt for the institution of an international dollar as a measure for currency during the period of fluctuations in foreign exchange.

The plan which leaders are now considering provides that some of the committees now in operation should continue their work while the assembly as a whole takes an indefinite recess.

OTTO KAHN MEETS HIS INQUISITOR



Otto H. Kahn (right), senior partner in the New York firm of Kuhn, Loeb and company, whose banking operations are under investigation by the senate banking committee, is shown being greeted by Ferdinand Pecora, counsel for the committee. (Associated Press Photo)

FIVE ON OREGON CASUALTY LISTS; MOSTLY YOUTHS

(By the Associated Press)

At least five persons lost their lives in automobile accidents and drowning in Oregon as thousands of persons swarmed the highways to picnic spots and swimming places. In addition, two youths were believed drowned at Marshfield and searching parties were seeking their bodies.

Edgar E. Knapp, 20, and Leonard Roe, 22, were fatally injured near La Grande when the driver of the car fell asleep at the wheel. Knapp and Roe lived in La Grande. Dick Bramwell, driver of the car, escaped with minor injuries.

Herman Tauber, 18, died in a Newberg hospital from injuries he suffered in an accident on the Donald-Aurora highway. His companion, Grover Giesey, was badly hurt.

Mother Dies in Effort

Mrs. Fannie Shores, 32, California tourist, lost her life in the Willamette river at Eugene when she plunged into the stream in an attempt to save her 12-year-old daughter, who was crying for help. Mrs. Shores, who could not swim, drowned in the swift current. The child was rescued by campers.

At Albany, Roy Van Order, 4, drowned in the Willamette while playing in a park. He had been wading in shallow water, but slipped into a deep place.

Walter Smith, 18, and a boy named Onsbey, 18, failed to return last night after leaving for Mussel Reef. A cap belonging to one of them was found on the beach below Coos Bay bar. Parties were searching for their bodies today.

FINAL RESPECTS PAID BAUCOM IN MILITARY RITES

Comrades of Service and Hundreds of Friends Join in Honor to Martyred Officer in Armory Funeral

From all sections of Oregon, his home state, and from northern California, state policemen and National Guard officers came to Medford today to honor one of their men, who fell in service—Lieut. Burrell Milo Baucum of Headquarters company, Third Battalion, 186th infantry, who was killed by bullets when enforcing the law as a state policeman on Sexton hill last Saturday.

In the Medford armory they assembled with citizens of southern Oregon to pay their final respects to the slain officer. Funeral services, with the dignity that only military can arouse, opened at 2:00 o'clock with many hundreds of people filling the auditorium with army men and state policemen attending in a body.

Present were: Brigadier General Thomas E. Riley, brigade commander of the 82nd infantry; Lieut. Colonel Raymond F. Olson, 41st division, representing Major General George A. White; Major Langdon R. Spooner, 186th infantry, representing Colonel Ralph Huron; Lieut. Lawrence E. Devlin, Company "M," 186th infantry, Portland; Capt. John R. White, Grants Pass, company "C"; and Capt. Clyde Young, Battery "B," 249th coast artillery, Ashland.

Supt. Chas. P. Gray, head of the Oregon state police, and Captain H. G. Mason, chief clerk in the Salem office, and keeper of the records, were in attendance. Ed C. Snow of Oregon City and Pat Roepke of Eugene, state police officers, were also at the funeral from the northern part of Oregon. Officers from Skagitzy and Shasta counties in California arrived at noon. They are: Inspector G. A. Goodloe, Captain G. B. Daley, Captain H. E. Foster, and Officers M. P. Howard, H. T. Hendricks, G. C. Malone, E. M. Axtell and H. M. Bruce.

All state police officers in the southern Oregon district were also present: Sergeant R. E. Quine and Privates Hubert Hoxie, Tom Sheridan and Fred Perry of Roseburg; Sergeant R. D. Davis and Privates Marlon Barnes, Jeff Bean, Arthur Gurrie, Walter S. Walker and Elton V. Jackson of Klamath Falls; Hugo Levy and C. E. Crosswhite of Lakeview; Sergeant C. C. Williams and Privates J. Eric Tucker, Warren Cornell, Roy Parr and Guy Forsythe of Marshfield, and Privates Raleigh Taylor and C. M. Malcolm of Grants Pass.

Capt. Lee M. Bown and other officers stationed here, not serving as pallbearers, also attended the funeral in a body. Among them were: Lieut. A. G. Dunn, Sgt. James O'Brien, Sgt. Ed Walker, W. W. Emlenburgh and Rodney Roach.

The ritualistic service was conducted by Capt. C. Y. Tengvald, the dignitary.

BASEBALL

National	R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	3	10	3
Chicago	5	7	1
Batteries: Derringer, Johnson, Frey and Hemaley; Manion; Tinning and Hartnett.			
National	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	6	12	1
Pittsburg	7	14	0
Batteries: Walker, Johnson, Mooney, Carleton and Wilson; Meine, Smith, Hoyt and Picinich.			
American	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	10	9	0
Cleveland	6	10	2
Batteries: Kinsey, Faber, Gregory, Lyons and Grube; Harder, Connolly and Myatt; Pearson.			
American	R.	H.	E.
Boston	2	7	0
Philadelphia	4	6	0
Batteries: Weiland, Kline, Brown, Welch and Ferrell; Oliver and Madjeski.			

ARGUING OF FEHL VENUE CHANGE IS SLATED THURSDAY

Arguments on the motion of Earl H. Fehl, county judge, charged with ballot theft for a change of venue, will be made Thursday morning. They were postponed from this morning, in order to give the state time to prepare counter-affidavits to the allegations of Fehl, that he cannot secure a fair and impartial trial here.

Fehl in his plea contends that the southern Oregon press has created a prejudice against him, and have made personal attacks upon his honor and integrity. He submits numerous articles, including the editorials in the two dailies demanding that Fehl and Schermernhorn resign, "in justice to themselves," after they were linked with the ballot thefts, and charged with being the "beneficiaries" of the crime.

It is further argued that Fehl's signing last summer of the Judge Norton recall petition, has created a prejudice against him, among Norton's "friends and adherents," and then declares he is willing to be tried either before Judge Norton or Judge Skipworth."

The venue plea is based chiefly upon the newspaper articles and editorials dealing with the ballot theft, and its aftermath—the murder of Constable George B. Prescott.

The Oregon state supreme court ruled that newspaper articles or editorials are now grounds for granting a change of venue, laying down the rules in the Dr. R. M. Brumfield murder case at Roseburg. Brumfield in his plea claimed that the Douglas county press had created a prejudice against him.

DRAWING OF JURY ACCORDING TO LAW IS COURT RULING

The plea of Suspended Sheriff Gordon L. Schermernhorn, now on trial for ballot theft, that the jury list to decide his fate, be selected other than by methods provided by Oregon law, was denied in a ruling handed down Monday afternoon by Circuit Judge George L. Skipworth.

Schermernhorn, through his attorney, Frank J. Newman, in the motion alleged that Sheriff Omscheid holds the office illegally and without authority; that he is under the influence of the "Committee of 100," and proposes that the venire be selected by taking the seventh and eleventh names from the tax rolls, alphabetically, or by picking two persons from each of the 58 precincts of the county.

The court held there was no way to select the jurors, save in the manner prescribed by Oregon law.

A list of sixty names was drawn by Sheriff Omscheid, and 23 of this number were eliminated, either by death, departure, age, sickness, or exemptions.

The first name drawn was Mary E. Gow, Ashland, who is 90 years old, and she was excused. Three had died. Two were excused because they are postmasters, one because he is a doctor, eleven because of leaving the country, one because he is a city official, and four because of sickness or infirmities.

The active list is as follows:

Clyde L. Smith, Butte; Palla A. E. Edmondson, Butte Falls; E. C. Faber, Central Point; Geo. S. Vestal, Central Point; W. E. Ross, Gold Hill; Wm. Joe Ne, Jacksonville; W. H. Arnold, Jacksonville; G. W. Godward, Jacksonville; George W. Wendt, Jacksonville; Geo. C. McClain, Burns; C. S. Hatch, Rogue River; Elizabeth Fowler, Rogue River; Sam Sandry, Rogue River; Allen McGregor, Rogue River; H. B. Nye, Talent; Guy T. Applewhite, Ashland.

Floyd Whittel, Ashland; E. R. Isaac, Ashland; Harold Crump, Applegate; Ernest B. Price, Medford; A. J. Fuller, Medford; Ida Alice Churchill, Medford; Mrs. Elsie M. Churchman, Ashland; C. A. DeVoe, Medford; Rt. 2, W. E. Blake, Ashland; Fred W. Nelson, Medford; Rt. 1, Box 41; Vinnie K. Cook, Medford; Gustaf A. Poch, Lake Creek; Perry Ashcraft, Ashland; J. B. Jordan, Ashland; James E. Peyton, Trail; R. B. Vincent Prospect; J. J. McInnis, Trail; Lloyd Colver, Phoenix; Arthur L. Coggins, Ashland; James A. Martin, Beagle; J. H. Hardy, Ashland.

GREY NEAR TOP IN BOAT RACES

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 5.—(AP)—Eight thousand persons saw some of the fastest little boats in the north-west in action on the Columbia river, as part of the Fourth of July celebration which featured the mid-Columbia regatta.

Everett Wilber of Brodrene, Calif., placed first in the finals for Class A and B boats; R. L. Shultz of Twin Falls, Idaho, was second; C. F. Jones of Twin Falls, third; Charles R. Cookley of Portland, fourth, and Harold Grey of Medford, fifth. Grey's Irish Luck was first in the second heat.

The Class C final was won by Jimmy Harlan of Seattle, with Grey of Medford second, and Ward Angilly of Marysville, Cal., third.

Joe McCarthy of Boise, Idaho, won the trophy for unlimited class competition. Joe Armstrong was second; Angilly, third, and Spider Webb, fourth. Grey of Medford finished third in the first heat of this event.

ASHLAND BUTCHER HACKS OWN NECK

James McParren, about thirty, Ashland butcher, was found in a pool of blood on the Keast-Doss-Hi meat market in Ashland this morning, following his attempt to commit suicide by cutting his throat with a meat cleaver. A report from Ashland this afternoon states that McParren will probably recover.

The butcher was found in the shop about 8:30 o'clock by Mrs. Goldie Glazier, who several months ago figured in the news when she was injured in a battle with her husband.

Klamath Autoist Killed In Smashup

WOODLAND, Cal., July 5.—(AP)—Lawrence Garcia, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garcia of Klamath Falls, was killed near here Monday night when his automobile struck a guard rail and crashed into a deep ditch.

He was on his way to Sacramento for the holidays.

WASHINGTON, July 5.—(AP)—Brigadier General John A. Kees, 93 year old, died last night at Walter Reed hospital of old age infirmities.

THOUSAND BOLIVIAN SOLDIERS ARE SLAIN

ASUNCION, Paraguay, July 5.—(AP)—A communique of the ministry of war issued today said that the Bolivians lost a thousand soldiers when Paraguayans repulsed a strong attack in the Nanawa sector yesterday.

Oregon Weather.

Fog on the coast and otherwise fair tonight and Thursday; no change in temperature. Moderate north and northwest winds offshore.

ALBRIGHT RESIGNS AS PARK DIRECTOR

WASHINGTON, July 5.—(AP)—Secretary Ickles announced today that Horace M. Albright had resigned, effective August 9 as director of the national park service and that Arno B. Cammerer, associated director, had been named to succeed him.

Albright resigned to become vice-president and general manager of the Potomac company of Carlbad, N. M. He will make his headquarters in New York.

He was named director of the national park service by former President Hoover in 1929.

Cammerer, who comes from Arapahoe, Neb., has been in the park service many years.

A. B. WILLIAMS IS LAID TO LAST REST TODAY

Funeral rites for Arthur Benjamin Williams, veteran newspaperman, who died Saturday, were held this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Conger Funeral parlors. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. J. Hanby of the I. O. O. F. lodge, of which Mr. Williams was a member for 40 years. Interment was in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

LA GRANDE, JULY 5.—(AP)—Funeral services were held here yesterday for Dr. E. G. Kirby, 64, for many years a resident of eastern Oregon. He died at his home Sunday after an illness of three years.

SALZM, July 5.—(AP)—Postoffice receipts here showed a \$32,958 increase the past fiscal year. Postmaster John Farrar announced today the totals were \$233,336 compared to \$203,207 the previous fiscal year.

ATLANTIC COAST HIT BY STORMS

A three-day gale in the north and a hurricane in the south left their marks today along the Atlantic coast.

The hurricane, which killed 13 in south Trinidad June 27 and hit Cuba, was sweeping across the Gulf of Mexico today, apparently west-northwest toward Louisiana and Texas. The center, moving 10 or 12 miles an hour, was 385 miles west of Key Largo, Fla., yesterday.

Five men, the crew of a barge, are believed to have been lost in the northern sea coast gale. Four men and a woman were rescued.

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ROOSEVELT GAINS WEIGHT ON CRUISE

WASHINGTON, July 5.—(AP)—Returning to his desk today from two weeks at sea, President Roosevelt set as his first task the reduction of seven pounds in weight which he picked up on his vacation.

"I am going to take drastic measures," he said when he stepped off the scales.

Asked how he was going to make the reduction in weight from 181 pounds to 174 pounds, he quickly replied:

"Eating less."

His tanned face broke into smiles as newspaper correspondents gathered about his desk for the first press conference since his return.

MORE FAST PLANES ORDERED BY UNITED

CHICAGO, July 5.—(AP)—United Air Lines announced today that its president, P. G. Johnson, has ordered 15 additional three mile a minute Boeing transport planes, which will bring the total now in production for the company to 78, worth \$4,000,000. There are 40 now in service on the 20-hour coast service and five-hour New York service out of Chicago. The planes carry 13-16 passengers, two pilots and a stewardess—with baggage and mail and express load cranes at 170 miles an hour.

ITALIAN ARMEN REACH ICELAND

RETKVALI, Iceland, July 5.—(AP)—General Italo Balbo and his Italian air armada arrived here this afternoon, completing the flight from Londonderry, northern Ireland.

The fleet of 34 seaplanes came down here at 4:55 p. m. local time, (12:55 p. m. eastern standard time). The last stopping place for the fleet was Edinburgh, which is en route to Glasgow. It will be Capt. Robert LaGrador, 1500 miles to the west.

WILL ROGERS says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., July 4.—This London conference: I read everything I can about it, but I can't make sense out of what they are driving at. Each nation has its own plan and the minute it's turned down by the others, why you got another anarchist on your hands. Some nation suggested they adjourn but the others won't do it, for it wasn't originally their proposal.

If they do adjourn till January we ought to just leave our troop over there. It would be cheaper than bringing 'em home and then sending 'em back. Why not have a permanent commission appointed by the year and then just go from one to another of the conferences? Get men that love to travel and don't take international affairs too serious. Just go for the trip and the laughs. I'll consider heading that delegation. Yours,

Will Rogers

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