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Forecast: Fair tonight and Wednesday; not much change in temperature.
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DOCK STRIKE PEACE PLAN FAILS



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WASHINGTON, D. C., May 29.—The administration is strangely calm on the inside about the strike situation. What has happened in Toledo, Minneapolis, New York, Chicago and elsewhere during the past few months would ordinarily arouse commotion in the White House. There would be conferences and threats, possibly even big-stick action.
Now, no one even gets excited about the prospect of a rather bitter steel strike within a few weeks.
The reason is that the strike menace is playing right into administration reform strategy. The new dealers will never admit it, but they are really glad to see the strike issue get hot now.
It furnishes the necessary reason for hurrying the Wagner labor bill through. Without such a reason the bill would not have a chance this session.
Last year was the worst year for strikes since 1920. This year may break all records. There were 279 strikes the first quarter of this year. That is 72 more than the same period last year.
The following table shows what has happened during the last seven years:

Year	Labor Disputes	Workers Involved	Man-Days Work Lost
1927	734	349,434	37,799,394
1928	629	387,145	31,856,947
1929	903	230,463	9,975,213
1930	653	158,114	2,730,958
1931	894	279,299	6,386,183
1932	808	242,826	6,452,978
1933	1373	774,763	13,455,758

The labor department takes these figures as a compliment, because they show a small ratio of work-hours lost. Indeed, its spokesmen are saying that strikes are a part of the process of business recovery.
What seems to be at the root of most of these strikes, however, is the fact that workers have been promised a new deal. They are more keenly conscious now of their class spirit and power, and are insisting on getting what they want.
Navy Promoter Swanson is too frank a man ever to be a diplomat. He has convinced the state department of that as a result of his latest jam with the Japanese.
Newsmen propounded a trick question to Swanson at a recent press conference. They asked whether the United States would reconsider its Washington treaty promise not to fortify the Pacific if Japan abandoned the treaty, as she has threatened to do. Swanson's answer was a simple one. He said: "Of course." He admitted the matter had not yet been considered, but said it would be.

When it got into print the headlines read: "Swanson Warns Japan That United States May Increase Its Pacific Fortifications."
State department diplomats dropped their tearpans and came as near as they ever do to swearing. It was exasperatingly painful to them after all their efforts to avoid sensational stories in the Japanese jingoistic press.
As a result, Secretary of State Hull may appoint a diplomatic shin-kicker for Swanson. Whether or not that is done, Mr. Swanson will answer no more questions about Japan for a long time.

The Bari Street Journal circulates only among the bond men of Wall Street. They prepare it once a year for their own amusement as a burlesque of the Wall Street Journal.
The leading article this year reports that the new dealers have a sharp new plan for recovery, combining the national lottery idea and the share-the-work scheme. Every citizen would draw lots every year to ascertain what job he should hold that year. Brain trusters are quoted as saying it would get a lot of fresh blood into big business.
The biggest news is an advertisement signed by one Edward E. Hurst of the Democratic national committee. The advertisement says there are still some public works left for the right people; also a few second-class postmasterhips at nominal rates. Then, at the bottom, in the smallest possible type is: "Yop-hoo, Matt, hi, Tom; hello, Ben." The purpose of the postscript will be clear only to those who know Matthew Brush, Tom Bragg and Ben Smith, most frequenters of the bulls and bears.

The first private encounter the Darrow board had with General Johnson was during the first week of the board's existence. A couple of board members went to see General Johnson to discuss their work. On

WORKERS BOAST STRIKE IS JUST GETTING START

Offer of Employers for Bargaining Through Committees and Formulation of Rules Is Rejected

PORTLAND, Ore., May 29.—(AP)—The most critical labor controversy Portland has experienced in a generation reached a crisis today.
Whether a longshoremen's strike, which has bottled up commerce here for 21 days, will be ended on terms agreed upon at conferences of negotiators at San Francisco last night, will be determined by ballots cast by the International Longshoremen's association here.
Ben T. Osborne, secretary of the Oregon State Federation of Labor, today urged the strikers not to accept the terms.
Should the proposal be rejected by the striking longshoremen, the outcome of the controversy is unpredictable, observers say.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 29.—(AP)—The strikers' committee here today flatly rejected a compromise proposal of the shipowners and in a statement declared "the strike of longshoremen has just started."
The statement was issued after a hurried meeting of the International Longshoremen's executive committee which followed a riot yesterday on the waterfront here in which seven men were injured.
Waterfront employers had offered a proposal whereby committees of employers and the I. L. A. would bargain and formulate rules and regulations for the operation of the disputed piers.

"Regarding the proposal of the steamship owners, which was read to the strike committee last night," said the strikers' statement, issued by Ralph Mallen, chairman of the I. L. A. publicity committee, "the committee discussed the proposal thoroughly and came to the conclusion that it was futile even to discuss it. First, it means that longshoremen would return to work under worse conditions than ever before. Second, strikebreakers now working would be retained by the employers or they would be rehired the next day, so could discharge them one day and rehire them the next."
"Reports that the strike is settled are absolutely untrue. The strike has just started and will probably involve other unions which have no connection with the marine industry."

"The possibility of a general strike on the Pacific coast is almost a certainty. Even if the employers' proposal were acceptable, the longshoremen will not return to work until the other marine unions on strike also get a satisfactory settlement."

ROOSEVELT MAKING NEW ENGLAND VISIT

WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—President Roosevelt, after reviewing the fleet in New York harbor, swinging briefly into New England and spending the week-end at Hyde Park, N. Y., will return Monday to the capital.
Instead of spending two or three days at his Hyde Park home, as he originally had planned, the president will be back at his desk early Monday morning to aid in the administration drive for adjournment of congress.
He will probably send his message on war debts to congress Friday.

FAIL TO AGREE ON GRIDIRON SCHEDULE

PORTLAND, Ore., May 29.—(AP)—Unable to agree on a football schedule for the Pacific coast conference, graduate managers and coaches here for the annual semester meeting, announced today that the entire question of a schedule will be put over until the winter meeting, Dec. 19 at Los Angeles.

U. S. and Cuba End Platt Agreement

WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—The United States and Cuba today signed a treaty abrogating the Platt amendment under which this country was authorized to intervene in affairs of the island republic.
GRAF ZEPPELIN MAKES TRIP TO PERAMBUCO
PERAMBUCO, Brazil, May 29.—(AP)—The German mail-carrying dirigible, Graf Zeppelin, arrived at 7:25 a. m. (2:25 p. m. P. S. T.) today on one of its regular passages from Friedrichshafen.

Peggy's A Witness



A touch of glamor was added to the trial of Joseph W. Harriman, banker, at New York, when Peggy Hamilton appeared as a witness for the prosecution. She is shown as she testified. (Associated Press Photo)

LOCAL WOMAN IS SURPRISE WITNESS IN MURDER TRIAL

PORTLAND, Ore., May 29.—(AP)—The marital status of George Hamilton, 54, who was shot and killed by his estranged wife, Hazel Hamilton, here March 10, was brought into question here today in the trial of Mrs. Hamilton for murder.
Grace Hamilton of Medford, a surprise witness, was called by the defense attorney and testified she married Hamilton in 1913 and that, so far as she knew, they were never divorced. She said they separated in 1925. Some time later Hamilton married the woman on trial.
Grace Hamilton testified she has five children by Hamilton.
Hazel Hamilton admitted she shot Hamilton after he had prowled around her home and declared she fired in self defense when he grabbed at her throat. They had been separated several months. Witness testified that Hamilton had threatened to kill Hazel unless she returned to live with him.

\$25,470 INCOME TAX EVASION IS CHARGE

PORTLAND, Ore., May 29.—(AP)—Frank D. Patten, former sales manager of the Pacific Bancorporation, and husband of Mrs. Virginia Patten, blond beauty who was murdered in Los Angeles five years ago, will appear in federal court in Reno, Nev., on June 4 on removal proceedings to Portland to face charges of income tax evasion.
He was secretly indicted here on Sept. 9, 1932, the government alleging he owes \$25,470 in income taxes, penalties and interest.

HURRY ENTRIES FOR INDUSTRIAL PARADE

Entries for the industrial parade during the Oregon Diamond Jubilee will close Friday, according to announcement made today by R. G. Fowler, county agent, who is chairman of the parade.
Mr. Fowler said he was greatly pleased with the co-operation he had received from the granges, the forest service, the army, the CCC and other organizations.

CLOUDBURST FLOODS TOWN IN CALIFORNIA

DELANO, Calif., May 29.—(AP)—Delano deluged this city today and flooded sections of Delano with water from two to four feet deep. A total of 2.71 inches fell.
HOLIDAY ON GERMAN INTEREST PAYMENTS
NEW YORK, May 29.—(AP)—International banking quarters in Wall Street understood late today that Germany had declared a six-month moratorium on all interest payments on German foreign debt, save the Dawes and Young plan bonds.

CITY PARK RITES TO HONOR SOLDIER DEAD WEDNESDAY

Parade Will Move at 9:30—Exercises Follow March—Polk Hull Marshal of Day—Stores, Offices Close

Medford and Jackson county will pay tribute tomorrow to their soldier dead of all wars.
Exercises will be held in the city park, following the annual parade, with addresses by Rev. Joseph P. Knotts and Attorney Don R. Newbury. Vacant chairs will be decorated in honor of departed comrades. Judge William M. Colvig will read Lincoln's Gettysburg address.
The parade will start from the city park at 9:30 o'clock, and proceed to the Bear Creek bridge, where exercises will be held for the soldier dead. The parade will then return to the city park. The parade will be called to order by Judge Colvig, past commander of the G. A. R. for Oregon. Polk Hull will be marshal for the day. Fair weather is predicted for the day.
All stores, state offices and institutions, and county offices and banks will close.
The order of march for the parade is as follows:
Elks Band.
National Guard.
Civil War veterans and affiliated organizations.

TO LIQUOR BOARD \$58,360 PROFIT

PORTLAND, Ore., May 29.—(AP)—The state liquor control commission sold \$163,441 worth of liquor through its stores and agencies during the month of April, and has sold \$316,075 worth since the control system was established in February.
This statement was made to the commission here today by George L. Sammis, administrator.
The commission was said to have made a profit of \$58,360 since the store system has been operating, included in this amount is \$27,353 from sale of permits.
Total receipts from the license division amounted to \$93,500 and this figure is expected to exceed \$100,000 by the end of May.
Revenues from the gallonage tax on beer and wines to May 1 totaled \$40,972, and since May 1 an additional \$20,036 has been added for a total of \$70,008.

U. S. OFFERS WORLD ARMS CONTROL AID

GENEVA, May 29.—(AP)—The United States offered the world assistance in the reduction and control of arms today and Soviet Russia advocated the complete abolition of armaments in proposals made before the international disarmament conference.
The American suggestions were made by Norman H. Davis, United States ambassador-at-large. The Russian proposal was made by Maxim Litvinoff, foreign commissar for the Soviet Union.
Litvinoff proposed that the conference be made a permanent body to safeguard the security of all nations and safeguard peace.
He said that the conference now faced the problem of whether it would continue or collapse. He said he believed that the present non-reconciliation of divergent opinion made it impossible to find a solution of the problem of disarmament.

MORE POWER FOR A.A.A. DOUBTFUL

WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—Concessions by backers of amendments adding power to the agricultural adjustment act apparently failed today to win over Senator Byrd (D-Va.), a leader of the opposition.
Congressional leaders expressed belief that passage this session was improbable, despite modifications offered by Farm Administrator Davis yesterday.
The amendments would give Secretary Wallace power to restrict production of non-basic farm commodities for market after farmers had signed voluntary production control contracts. Present authority, as interpreted, applies only to "basic" commodities such as cotton, wheat and hops.

JOHNSON STAYING ON RECOVERY JOB

WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—Administration sources reaffirmed today there was no expectation of Hugh S. Johnson's early departure from the NRA.
Published reports to the contrary (not carried by the Associated Press) led to inquiries at both the White House and NRA. It was made plain forthwith that the administrator does not consider his work on the recovery program anywhere near in shape to turn over to a successor and has made plans to remain at the helm for a further extended period.

PLANE CRASH KILLS CUSTOMS COLLECTOR

EL PASO, Texas, May 29.—(AP)—Harry L. Sexton, U. S. customs collector at San Antonio, Texas, was killed here today in an airplane crash at the army airfield. Lieutenant Edge, the pilot, was injured.

Quintuplets Have Poor Chance Says Attending Medic

CORBELL, Ont., May 29.—(AP)—There is a possibility that the five baby girls born yesterday to 24-year-old Mrs. Ovia Dionne will die, it was said today by Dr. A. R. Dafeo, attending physician.
Dr. Dafeo said he based his opinion on the history of similar cases, rather than on the state of health of the infants at present. They are being fed a mixture of milk, corn syrup and water with an eye dropper.
Dionne has doubt that the babies will survive. Dr. Dafeo found them gaining strength today. They cried lustily most of the night, which he said was a hopeful sign.

KLAMATH BATTLES SWARM OF 'BLACK WIDOW' SPIDERS

KLAMATH FALLS, May 29.—(AP)—Public education and a general cleanup campaign received the endorsement of the city council today in an effort to rid Klamath Falls residential districts of a serious infestation of the "black widow" spider.
Dr. A. A. Soule, city health officer, was ordered to obtain immediate information for the most effective method of controlling the danger. The deadly spider has been found here in rock gardens, drains, sewers, tin cans and even in garages.
The Hot Springs residential section has felt the invasion most severely. There the spider has bred abundantly in the warm ground. Entomologists here declare that the mild winter was responsible for the quick growth.
Many persons, alarmed by the menace, already have started tearing out costly rock gardens and walls. Citizens were urged to spray their yards with heavy solutions. Crude oil and chloride of lime were recommended.
A telegram was received last night from Dr. Frederick Stricker, state health officer, identifying the spider and saying that the United States bureau of entomology had been notified.
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PEI-PING, MAY 29.—(AP)—Reports from Chinese sources today said that Emperor Kang Teh of Manchukuo, formerly Henry Pu-Yi, was stricken ill with typhoid at his palace in Hsinking.

ADMIRAL TOGO OF JAPAN PASSES ON

TOKYO, May 29.—(Wednesday)—(AP)—Admiral Heihachiro Togo, 85-year-old hero of the Russo-Japanese war, died at 6:35 a. m. today.

BASEBALL

National	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	4	12	0
Boston	6	9	1
Holley, Johnson and Wilson, Frankhouse, Cantwell and Spohrer.			
R. H. E.			
New York	4	11	0
Brooklyn	3	9	1
Philadelphia, Luque and Mancuso, Richards, Henge, Carroll, Leonard, Munna and Lopez.			
American	R.	H.	E.
Boston	2	8	0
Philadelphia	1	2	1
Helson and R. Farrell, Cain and Berry.			
(Called end seventh, rain.)			
Chicago	0	5	1
Cleveland	8	10	1
Gaston, Heving and Madjeski, Harrier and Pytko.			

SCHERMERHORN'S APPEAL LOSES IN SUPREME COURT

Former Sheriff, Convicted of Ballot Theft Participation, Has One Loophole Left To Escape Prison Term

SALEM, May 29.—(AP)—The state supreme court today dismissed the appeal of Gordon L. Schermerhorn, former Jackson county sheriff who was convicted of participation in the Jackson county ballot theft case and sentenced to three years in the state penitentiary.
The appeal was dismissed because, "neither the transcript nor the bill of exceptions was filed within the time provided by statute." The time limit expired February 1, 1934 and the extension of time was not requested until four days later.
The opinion was written by Justice Harry Belt.
Former County Judge Earl H. Fehl and several other Jackson county residents are serving time in the state penitentiary for participation in the same case.
Dismissal of the appeal of Gordon L. Schermerhorn, former sheriff, under a three year sentence in state prison for conviction of ballot theft conspiracy, according to the attorney-general's office, and district attorney's office, means that the former Jackson county official, has one legal recourse left—the filing of a petition for a re-hearing, within 20 days.
Schermerhorn was sentenced August 7 last, and since has been at Liberty on \$7500 bonds. All others indicted for the political crime are either under parole or serving prison terms.
Dupe of Leaders
Schermerhorn for nearly forty years an exemplary and widely known resident of this city and county, with many influential friends, was elected sheriff in the hotly contested election of 1922. He was indicted, tried and convicted of ballot-theft, Judge Geo. F. Skipwith of Lane county, in passing sentence upon him declared he

ROTARIANS TOLD WARS FOMENTED BY GUN MAKERS

A plea for the public to acquaint itself with continual efforts on the part of financial and armament manufacturers to promote international hatred and war for selfish profit, was made before the Medford Rotary club today by Rev. Bartlam of the St. Mark's Episcopal church of this city. Rev. Bartlam's Memorial day address was mainly devoted to the causes of war and, in the opinion of the speaker, future wars may be prevented if right thinking people will interest themselves in the invidious work of those who promote war for personal profit.
The speaker, in his splendid talk, also brought to the Rotarians a vivid picture of the suffering brought through war, and cited definite examples of warfare encouraged by selfish interests.
C. D. Bean was chairman of the meeting and the interesting program was arranged by Rev. Baird. As a musical part of the program, Mrs. Elsie Strang offered two excellent patriotic solos, accompanied at the piano by Miss Jones.
President Cutler of the Portland Rotary club was a guest at today's meeting and told the Rotarians of a special train from the Rose City which would arrive in Medford next Wednesday for the Diamond Jubilee. It was also announced by Program Chairman George Henselman that Ernest Haycock, well known novelist, would be a speaker for the special session of the Rotary club next week.
Harry Leland was a guest at today's meeting and Dr. C. W. Lemery of this city, a new member, was also introduced. A representative of Boy Scouts attended today's meeting and presented the oath of allegiance to the flag.

ANT'S EAT EYES OF TOT IN CRIB

BELLS, Tenn., May 29.—(AP)—Physicians at Beltsville, Tenn., today were trying to save the eyesight of a 3-month-old boy, attacked by a horde of red ants as he lay in his crib near here.
The baby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Watson Patrick, was attacked by the ants last Friday. News of the baby's tragedy reached here yesterday.

STEVEDORE CLASH CURBS WOOL DEAL

PORTLAND, May 29.—(AP)—There is virtually no activity in the wool market here, nor buying as country points, as a result of the longshore strike. Many carloads are on the docks and in warehouses awaiting shipment. Buyers of these are losing interest and storing charges as the movement is delayed.
The price bid for Willamette valley wool has been reduced one cent on both classifications at 22 to 25 cents pound, while mohair bids have been cut in spots but remain as high as 18 cents.

POLITICAL FUND SEEKERS FIRED

WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—With President Roosevelt's approval, Secretary Morgenthau today suspended Alvin P. Fla, Philadelphia collector of internal revenue, and five other employees on charges of soliciting political funds from civil service employees.
Morgenthau said the suspension was effective pending an investigation by the civil service commission and a ruling on charges that political funds had been solicited on the premises of a federal building—a double violation of law, if found sustained.

STATE OFFICES AND RUM STORES CLOSE

SALEM, Ore., May 29.—(AP)—All state offices will be closed here tomorrow and in other parts of the state in observance of Memorial day.
The state liquor headquarters announced all liquor stores and agencies will be closed. Today regular Saturday schedules will be observed which will result in the stores being open later in the evening.

Admits Poison Plot



Oakland, Cal., police said Arthur J. Cleus, 40 (above) had confessed sending poisoned liquor through the mails to seven members of a fraternal organization as a climax to an year-old dispute. None of the seven drank the liquor. (Associated Press Photo)

SOLINSKY, EDWIN SUSPENDED FOR RED TAPE SLASH

WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—A. E. Demaray, acting director of the national park service, said today Edward C. Solinsky, superintendent, and Andrew R. Edwin, chief clerk and disbursing officer, at Crater Lake national park, Oregon, had been suspended.
Demaray said the action was taken on recommendation of the interior department's investigation division.
The acting director said he was not advised definitely on what grounds the suspension was ordered pending investigation.
David Gantfield, a state ranger, has been designated acting chief attendant at the park while the suspensions are in effect.

FRENCH FLIERS FACE BUSY DAY

NEW YORK, May 29.—(AP)—A shave, breakfast, a visit to city hall and—
What comes next appeared to be a matter of uncertainty today with Captain Maurice Rossi and Lieutenant Paul Codo, the Frenchmen who New York, a comparatively unexpected visit yesterday from Paris.
Up early—about 7 a. m., which is the dim, dim dawn to most New Yorkers—the fliers called for barbers and a light continental breakfast and then received the French consul general, Charles de Fontenay.
The photographers were next, and then Floyd Bennett field, where the slimen inspected their ship and conferred with mechanics on the structural vibrations that forced them to abandon their Paris-San Diego flight here.

THOMAS URGED RUN FOR GOVERNORSHIP

SALEM, Ore., May 29.—(AP)—The Kenton Unemployed league, at a meeting held yesterday, adopted a resolution urging Charles M. Thomas, state utilities commissioner, to enter the contest for governor as an independent candidate, according to a copy of the resolution received here.
The resolution was signed by Ben Salvatore, president, and Alice Youngblood, secretary. The league has a membership in excess of 800, the officials said.

WILL ROGERS SAYS

SANTA MONICA, Cal., May 28.—Well, there is two Frenchmen trying to fly direct from France to California. Let's hope and pray they make it. New York is liable to find itself off the U. S.-France highway.
And that train that went from Denver to Chicago at 78 miles an hour, that's the biggest news we have had in transportation in years. If railroads had woke up before they wouldn't be so far behind today.
Faster time than this was made 30 years ago by a train, but nothing was ever done about it. They have done nothing since then but sell stock instead of speed.



Will Rogers
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