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Forecast: Cloudy tonight and Saturday, with rain tonight; slightly colder tonight.
Highest yesterday 43
Lowest this morning 43

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COAST RAILROAD PERMIT ASKED

PORT ORFORD LINE TO LELAND WOULD TAP RICH REGION

Independent Concern Asks I. C. C. Permission for Building of 95 Miles—New Yorker Heads Project

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(AP)—The Gold Coast railroad today applied to the interstate commerce commission for permission to construct approximately 95 miles of railroad in Oregon.

The railroad company is now constructing dock and terminal facilities at Port Orford, Ore., and plans to extend a railroad southward along the coast through Frankford to Rogue river with an ultimate spur to Gold Beach, the county seat of Curry county, thence up the Rogue river through Agnes, Ilaho and Marial to Leland, where it will connect with the main line of the Southern Pacific railroad.

None of the towns through which the line passes is incorporated, but the application says that other new towns are contemplated at strategic points. The road, it is claimed, would tap very large holdings of timber, coal, copper, cement rock, vegetables, stock, fruit and dairy products.

Harrison Osborne of New York city is president of the company.

The application filed today with the interstate commerce commission was made by Gilbert E. Gable of Port Orford on behalf of himself and others interested in the proposed construction.

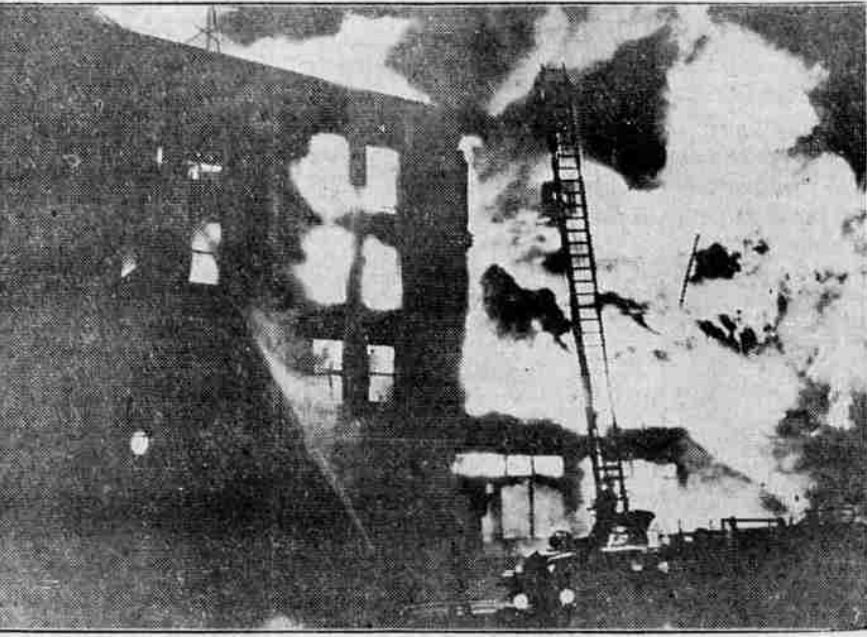
Independent Group
The application said "the applicant has no relation by either traffic or financial with any other operating railroad, corporation or corporation."

The promoters plan to obtain a loan from the reconstruction finance corporation. The cost of the proposed project was not disclosed or discussed in the application.

The line would be an extension of railroad docks and terminals now being erected at Port Orford, the applicant said, and would tap "very

Cloudburst Floods Force Californians to Leave Homes

Legislators Missing in Holocaust



This Associated Press photo shows flames consuming the Kerns hotel in Lansing, Mich., where more than 20 persons were known to have burned to death or drowned when they leaped in the Grand river.

CANFIELD TELLS PARK POLICY AT LUNCH IN HONOR

David H. Canfield, recently appointed superintendent of Crater Lake National Park, was guest of honor at a Medford Chamber of Commerce luncheon today at the Hotel Medford. A large number of men and women, prominent in business and civic affairs of this city, representatives from visiting southern Oregon communities, and officers and officials in government service in this area, accompanied by their wives attended the meeting to do honor to the youngest National Park superintendent in the United States.

"We are approaching a milestone in the development of Crater Lake National Park," Superintendent Canfield said in his interesting address. "Due to the recent availability of emergency funds and man power indications are that we will complete our ten year program of Park development within two or three years," the speaker said.

Mr. Canfield pointed out that the policy of the National Park service called primarily for preservation of park areas, to a great extent in their

12 DROWN WHEN BRITISH VESSEL SINKS IN STORM

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(AP)—MacKay radio reported receipt of a message from the liner Acania stating that all survivors of the foundering British steamer Usworth were rescued today in heavy seas in midatlantic.

Apparently 12 lives had been lost in the tragedy. All of them went down when a lifeboat from the Belgian steamer Jean Jadet capsized.

Two of the dead were definitely known to have been the lifeboat's crew. Of 12 of the crew taken off the Usworth in the capsized boat, only two were rescued.

The Jean Jadet reported that the two were the only survivors they had aboard. The Acania radioed that there were 18 survivors from the Usworth aboard her.

The Usworth was reported to have had a crew of 30.

Rescue work was made precarious by the high running seas that pounded lifeboats and washed away the coils of rescue lines.

Early this morning the Usworth radioed the rescue ships standing by to "please try man boats as impossible thing any more lives."

When the rescue of the last survivor was completed the Usworth was still afloat but was foundering helplessly, bombarded by the mountainous waves that disabled her last night.

MISSIONARY CHILD FOUND SAFE AFTER PARENTS' MURDER

SHANGHAI, Dec. 14.—(AP)—A report from Tsingteh said tonight that little Helen Priscilla Stam, three months old daughter of the murdered American missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stam, had been found alive and was being taken to Wuhu, mission headquarters.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Koffield of Bend, Ore., reported to have disappeared about the time the Stams were abducted, are safe, a telegram to the China Inland Mission said. They are at Tsingteh under conditions have settled.

The report of the finding of the baby was relayed here from Wuhu.

Wuhu reported that the Reverend Mr. George Birch of Canada, a member of the China Inland Mission and stationed near Tsingteh, had the infant and was carrying it to safety.

There was no indication as to the health of the child.

Whatever the baby's condition, it is assured of the best medical attention for the entire staff of the American Methodist Episcopal foreign board mission hospital at Wuhu, under the direction of Dr. Robert Brown, awaits the child's arrival.

It came into the world at that hospital Sept. 11 by a Caesarian operation.

The information from Tsingteh was that the bodies of the Stams had been placed in coffins upon the orders of Governor Liu Cheng-Hwa.

The Chinese magistrate at Wuhu had requested Governor Liu to send the bodies there for identification.

It was not immediately indicated how the rescue had been made, although it was known that government troops were in pursuit of the bandits who raised the baby's parents, and presumably kidnapped the child.

39,231 PER CENT WAR TIME PROFIT LAID TO DU PONT

Old Hickory Powder Plant Made \$1,961,000 Profit Assertion Made by Senate Munitions Investigator

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(AP)—The World-Telegram said today the senate munitions committee has decided to investigate the private banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co. The paper said its informant was Senator Gerald P. Nye, chairman of the committee.

By Nathan Robertson

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(AP)—A senate munitions committee investigator asserted today that the Du Pont company's profits on the war time Old Hickory plant in Tennessee were 39,231 per cent on its investment.

The statement, quickly disputed by the Du Ponts, was made by Alger C. Hiss on the basis of evidence that the company's profit was \$1,961,000.

Hiss said the Du Pont investment was only \$5,000, the capitalization of the subsidiary which built the plant, and that the government paid all the costs and bore all the risk.

Du Pont Denies Claim
Just previously, Pierre S. Du Pont, elder of the noted powder manufacturers, had distributed a statement to newspapermen saying the company's profit from the project, after taxes, was "less than one quarter of one per cent on the total expenditure under the contract."

The Du Pont company built the plant near Nashville, Tenn., in 1918, under a contract making its fee only \$1.

The contract provided, however, that the company would get a percentage of all powder manufactured which quickly mounted to \$1,961,000, the Du Pont testimony said.

Say Profit \$275,000
Company officials contended their profit was only \$275,000 after deduction of taxes and disallowance by the government of expense claims.

Du Pont told the committee today that Newton D. Baker, then secretary of war, plainly indicated to him in November, 1917, that he considered the Du Pont Powder company "a species of outlaw" because of the terms the concern had insisted on in building the government powder factory.

"Naturally I resented the remark," Du Pont said as he leaned forward earnestly to explain to the committee details of the preliminary negotiations for construction of the plant at Old Hickory, Tenn., which was delayed some months after Baker canceled the original contract.

RESOLUTION ASKS PRESERVATION OF HIGHWAY TIMBER

Exchange Privately Owned Forest Lands Near Prospect for Federal Acreage Is Asked by C. of C.

A resolution urging immediate governmental action for the exchange of 5000 acres of timber, belonging to the Rogue River Timber company, between the southern boundary of Crater Lake national park and Prospect, lying adjacent to the Crater Lake highway, was adopted by the roads and highway committee of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce at a meeting held in the courthouse auditorium yesterday afternoon.

A second resolution advocating the designating of the land exchanged as the Will T. Grieve Memorial park was also adopted.

Would Preserve Scenery.
The purpose of the meeting was to take action toward preservation of the scenic beauty along the Crater Lake highway and the resolution was worded to embrace all forest scenery along Oregon highways.

The resolution was introduced by R. C. Grosbeck, attorney, of Klamath Falls, who in a brief and telling talk, declared preservation of highway scenery was a duty of the government, and that the forest service, the timber companies and department of agriculture should cooperate toward that end.

E. L. Meseroux, general manager of the Rogue River Timber company, told the meeting that plans were con-

Kidnaper Found Shot to Death



YAKIMA, Wash., Dec. 14.—(AP)—A report reaching Yakima today from Sunnyside, 30 miles south of here, said that Martin Hogan, abductor of Clarence D. Farrell, Ellensburg theater man, was found dead in a field, with a bullet hole in his head.

Farrell was kidnaped in Ellensburg December 9, as he was getting into his automobile after leaving his theater. He was released after being held captive overnight. He was suffering from injuries received when his automobile overturned on the highway while he was driving with his captors.

Hogan and a youthful companion were being sought by possees when the body was found.

WALLS OF WATER RUSH DOWN UPON MONTROSE AREA

300 Residents Leave Homes—Roads Buried in Mud—Waters Follow Path of Last New Years' Flood

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Flash floods, loosed by cloudbursts back of La Crescenta valley, roared down a half dozen canyons today, drove 300 residents of Montrose to safety, buried numerous roads in mud, rock and gravel, but several hours later a survey showed there had been no loss of life and very little serious damage to homes.

The cloudbursts sent water rushing down the canyons in walls ranging from six to ten feet high. They cut a path a half mile wide as they spread out on the flat hillsides and swept through Montrose to Verdugo Wash, from where they were carried into the Los Angeles river, which runs to the Pacific ocean.

The water coursed along the path of the destructive flood of New Year's day, 1934, in which more than 30 persons were drowned and property damage soared into the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Hal Noon of the Los Angeles flood control district headquarters, said that while it is still raining in the Montrose-La Crescenta area, the situation has improved, "the only real danger now being in continuation for some time of the rain which might cause added overflows."

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FLIERS BAIL OUT WHEN ARMY SHIP DROPS INTO BAY

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—(AP)—An army plane crashed into San Francisco bay today near the Ferry building, after its two occupants safely bailed out.

The rescued fliers were Lieutenant F. L. Anderson and Sergeant Duncan R. MacVean, stationed at Crissy field. They were flying in a three-plane training formation at 700 feet, skimming just under the clouds, when their motor failed.

The plane burst into flames as it hit the surface. Gasoline spread over the nearby water from the fuel tanks and caught fire. The ship sank in a few minutes.

A ferry boat put about and a number of small vessels from the fleet anchored nearby, went to the rescue of the two parachuted fliers.

Thousands of tense faces on ferry boats and the anchored warships watched the thrilling drama.

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SHERIFF URGES TRUCK WEIGHING

Truck owners are urged by the sheriff's office to have their trucks weighed before applying for 1934 licenses. Under new truck regulations all truck owners must present a signed weight certificate, issued by scale owner or employee, before a license can be issued. The new forms for weight certificates are now in the hands of scale owners.

Licenses for trucks can be purchased on a full year, or half-year, basis.

As in former years, no checks will be accepted by the sheriff's office in payment of license fees.

The license fee for pleasure autos remains at \$5 per year.

ROBBER HOLDS UP BANK AT ALTURAS

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Dec. 14.—(AP)—The Alturas branch of the Bank of America in northern California was robbed of \$500 shortly after noon today.

An unmasked man obtained the money from Ole Nelson, teller, and escaped in a coupe. He abandoned the car at Likely, Cal., and joined two companions in another coupe.

The men were believed heading north after first starting south.

K. F. MAY BE HEAD NEW SCOUT AREA

BEND, Ore., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Formation of a new Boy Scout area council with Klamath Falls as administrative headquarters was considered at a meeting of scout workers in Bend last night, and W. L. Hayward, area council regional executive in North Pacific states, was authorized to proceed with the arrangements. Bend and Lakeview in Oregon, and Alturas in northern California would be the administrative points in the proposed Klamath area.

Up until dissolution of the mid-Columbia-Deschutes area council last summer, Bend and other central Oregon district councils were administered by the Dalles.

Organization of the Klamath area will necessitate appointment of a scout executive, who will supervise all district councils in the area.

KIDNAPERS' FREE CHIEF OF POLICE

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., Dec. 14.—(AP)—A widespread search for Art Calkins, Herington, Kan., chief of police who was kidnaped yesterday by two gunmen, ended early today with his release after 14 hours in the hands of his abductors.

Calkins, kidnaped yesterday when he sought to question one of the men regarding the purchase of revolver ammunition, was released unharmed four miles east of Kildare, Okla., early today.

Brought here to meet friends who were to return him to Herington, the chief declined to go into details of the kidnaping.

"I have a hunch why I was picked up but I won't say why," he said.

TO ASK CATHOLICS SHUN MOVIES OF INDECENT NATURE

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Catholics of Oregon will be asked at next Sunday's services to take or to renew their pledge to discourage by absence from them, all moving pictures that are suggestive, crime-breeding, or in other ways unwholesome socially or morally.

Archbishop Edward D. Howard of the Oregon archdiocese made the announcement today. He has written to all pastors to again call attention to the "Legion of Decency."

"The bishops in the general session of their recent annual meeting," he wrote, "were of one mind in expressing the hope that the gains made against salacious moving pictures would be conserved and augmented. They felt it would not be wise to allow the impression to prevail that the Legion of Decency has in any sense of the word accomplished its entire mission."

Then referring to a new and briefer form of pledge which the people will be asked to take Sunday, the archbishop wrote: "It would suggest the solemnity of this ceremony if as each man, your people are asked to stand and renew the Legion of Decency pledge, repeating the same, phrase by phrase, after the officiating priest."

MURDERED MISH OFTEN HOST AT WILD GOINGS-ON

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Who murdered Simon Mish? To that question police detectives today continued to seek the answer as they considered three possible motives: Revenge, robbery, and sudden anger.

The 70-year-old retired merchant, diving in at least moderate circumstances, was brutally and fatally beaten last Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning. His body was found in a fish pond at the rear of his residence. The coroner said he was not yet dead when he was thrown or fell into the water.

The body of his pet dog was in the water beside him. The coroner said it had been drowned or choked to death.

Mish lived alone. His neighbors said he often "threw wild parties" attended by young men and young women, some of whom occasionally spent the night.

Those who attended some of these parties said Mish had often evinced more than usual interest in the young women who attended. The element of sordidness entered the picture here, it was said, and on this basis police examined the revenge theory.

Mish did not customarily keep large sums of money in the house, but he did wear a diamond ring worth, perhaps, \$800. This was missing when his body was found. Strong boxes in the house had been ransacked. Hence, the strong tendency to the robbery theory.

Neighbors declared Mish was extremely intolerant and overbearing as a host. He and his guests frequently engaged in violent disputes and he had been known to throw ir-reconcilables from the residence. Thus a sudden flame of anger, perhaps following a round of drinking, might have led to the slaying.

FREIGHT CAR LOADING SHOWS BIG INCREASE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(AP)—The Association of American railroads announced today loadings of revenue freight for the week ended December 8 were \$51,011 cars, an increase of 62,888 over the preceding week which contained the Thanksgiving holiday.

The loadings for the week were an increase of 9,618 cars over the corresponding week in 1933 and an increase of 30,404 over the corresponding week in 1932.

DOKE'S FATE AGAIN IN HANDS CALIFORNIA JURY

WOODLAND, Calif., Dec. 14.—(AP)—The jury in the second trial of Judson C. Doke, charged with the murder of Lamar Hollingshead, began deliberations at 2:30 p. m. today after Judge Neal Chalmers had completed his instructions.

Prisoners Cost Utah \$16 Daily.
SALT LAKE CITY, Utah.—(AP)—Average daily population of Utah's state prison during the last fiscal year was 307 prisoners. Cost of feeding them was 84 cents a day.

EARTHQUAKES PRECEDE ERUPTIONS IN HONDURAS

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras, Dec. 14.—(AP)—The upthrust of Mount Erapuca and its transformation into an active volcano was reported today by Governor Santosha of Copan province, in a telegram to the federal government.

Governor Santosha reported that the earthquakes throughout his district, which began 12 days ago, were continuing without cessation.

His report to the national government said:

"Earthquakes radiating from the central part of this district seem to be centered on the outskirts of the city of Copan in the Merendon mountain range.

"We believe that Mount El Gar-

BLOOD LUST BLAMED IN SLAYING OF YOUNG GIRL

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(AP)—The confessed slayer of Grace Budd, 10-year-old girl, apparently little more than 20 years of age, was found dead in a box car "spotted" in front of the Oregon Electric freight depot here today. Nothing could be found about his clothing to identify him.

Verification also was sought of the skull recovered near the house under Fish's direction. Police believed records of the New York dental clinic will prove two gold fillings still intact in the back teeth of the skull were placed in Grace Budd's mouth at the clinic.

Police said the skull, taken to police headquarters last night, was plainly fractured on top, and that the lower jaw hung loose, as if fractured.

Detective William King of the missing persons bureau, the man who had worked on the case since the girl disappeared and who arrested Fish, yesterday, said today the prisoner, in his detailed description of the slaying, led no doubt that the crime was committed to satisfy a blood lust.

GALAPAGOS EMPRESS NOT DEAD, IS REPORT

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Rumors in Guayaquil that some mysterious radio report emanated from the Galapagos Archipelago revealing the missing Baroness Eloise Bonaparte de Wagner had been found dead were proved without foundation today when Captain G. Allan Hanford reported by radio that his search for the slaying of the strange disappearance was still under way.

WILL ROGERS SAYS

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 13.—A fine old friend and one of the last of the great cowmen died in Fort Worth, Texas, W. T. Waggoner. One of the biggest ranches in the United States. It had oil all over it and it made him sore every time they found a new well for he said it was always on the best grass land and just spoiled it for that many cattle. He would rather lose a dollar on a cow than make a thousand on an oil well. He loved good horses and had the best in Texas.

There will never be any class of people in our country that can replace the old Western cowman for common sense, shrewdness, humor and fine citizenship. The Three D lost a real boss.

Will Rogers.

ANTHONY DREXEL DIES IN NEW YORK HOTEL

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Anthony J. Drexel, Sr., 70, Paris and Philadelphia, Pa., banker, died at the Ambassador hotel today.

DIES IN BOX CAR

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 14.—(AP)—A young man, apparently little more than 20 years of age, was found dead in a box car "spotted" in front of the Oregon Electric freight depot here today. Nothing could be found about his clothing to identify him.

SNOW IN SPOKANE AREA

SPOKANE, Dec. 14.—(AP)—A two-inch blanket of wet snow covered lowlands of eastern Washington today, with deeper snow in the higher regions. More snow, with little chance of thaw, was forecast for today and Saturday.

21-Ounce Baby Born In Salem Fed By Drops

SALEM, Dec. 14.—(AP)—A medicine dropper was again brought into service to feed a baby at the Salem General hospital when a tiny girl weighing only 21 ounces was born last night to Mr. and Mrs. W. Webb Ramage of Salem.

The baby was being cared for in an incubator and oxygen was being administered.

The child was smaller than the baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martin of Salem, which was received at the hospital November 28, when it was four days old and weighed two pounds and 12 ounces.