

The Weather  
Forecast: Fair Sunday and Monday; little change in temperature.  
Temperature:  
Highest yesterday 58  
Lowest yesterday 32

Twenty-ninth Year



By PAUL MALLON  
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WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The new deal has hit upon a new minor publicity promotion idea—baby bonds.

The plan is the president's own, although that fact is supposed to be secret. He suggested it originally in a conference of fiscal advisers at the White House. Some of them did not think much of it. For one, Governor Eccles of the Federal Reserve is supposed to have objected. No one can expect him to say so now, but the best banking circles have heard that he had two strong objections: (1) that the public might get skittish at times, and sell, as it did in the case of liberty bonds after the war; and (2) that savings bank deposits might be depleted. These are good, substantial financial objections.

Nevertheless, the authorization was included in the new \$45,000,000 debt law because the president insisted. The treasury has already started whooping it up. It asserts that it expects to sell a billion in bargain counter lots for the first up. Mr. Roosevelt is to be seen on Feb. 10, probably at a ceremony where pictures can be taken.

If it works, the nation will become a baby-bond conscious as it became a penny-saver after the Dione phenomenon. But the eternally skeptical bankers are saying the results will be phenomenal. You cannot make people have quintuplets through the power of suggestion alone, say they.

The real explanation of the infant bond prodigy seems to be that Mr. Roosevelt does not expect to sell enough to make any banking or bond market difference. He will not sell a billion or half a billion. There is nowhere near that much money in the bargain counter market. Hence the bankers need not worry.

But every purchaser of a \$25 bond will become a bondholder in the New Deal. The psychological effects of that may be tremendous.

A million holders of \$25 government bonds will become a million people thinking more or less in terms of government expenditures and government debt. What money the treasury would get out of it may not be worth the trouble, but the White House may look forward to political and psychological sextuplets or even septuplets. That seems to be the sole purpose.

The two Wild Bills of Labor (Green and Lewis) turned out to be a couple of smarties who spoiled the NRA party the other day.

The National Industrial Recovery board took precautions to make its labor hearings a quiet affair. To make certain of it, the advisory labor board of NRA actually furnished speeches generally for labor leaders. This, of course, but it can be proved that the board at least furnished figures on which several speeches were based. Also, it tried to get copies of all labor speeches in advance, and it did get the most important ones, except the two most important.

Next day, the board tried to re-establish subtle disciplinary quietude by confining speeches to fifteen minutes and to the subject of hours and wages. That failed to work also. The next industrial witness was on the stand an hour.

The fastest thing that was put over in the NRA hearings was the experience of a union labor leader (not Green or Lewis). This witness did not want to discuss the subject assigned to him by the labor advisory board, but the board persuaded him to do it. Much data had been prepared for him by the board and he used it all with confident assurance that he had the New Deal's own figures.

Imagine his surprise when A. D. Whitehead, member of the NRA board, lit into these same facts and figures. The witness was unfamiliar with them, tripped and stumbled. It shows you cannot always safely submit the facts and figures of one New Deal agency to another.

There is another reason why no one needs to worry about congress boosting the old age pensions out of sight. The bill now provides, and will in the end stipulate, that federal contributions must be matched by the states. In view of the existing financial condition of state governments, it is highly improbable that the lid will be blown too high.

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Sweden's most exciting financial scandal since the bizarre Ivar Kreuger drama was revealed today with the formal arrest of Baron Nils Sternberg, court administrator in the special service of Prince Carl. King Gustaf's successor.

HONOLULU, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Customs officials today announced seizure of \$218,000 worth of opium and the arrest of a Chinese, Chew Leong, when he arrived here aboard the liner Secretary. In statements to the Associated Press, officials said they also seized French quarters and that only a few minor points remained to be cleared up tomorrow. A communique is expected after that session. Pierre Laval, French foreign minister, plans to return to Paris Monday.

PRIME MINISTER Ramsay MacDonald and Sir John Simon, British foreign secretary, in statements to the Associated Press, indicated that they also anticipate a complete agreement.

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## \$14,000 OFFERED TO MURDER LONG, WITNESSES CLAIM

### Ex-Deputy Tells of Plot to 'Rub Out Kingfish'—Square Deal Head Brands Probe 'Publicity Stunt'

BATON ROUGE, La., Feb. 2.—(AP)—Huey Long's military grip on the Louisiana capitol loosened tonight when one of his national guardsmen was demobilized following indefinite continuance of his "murder plot" hearing.

BATON ROUGE, La., Feb. 2.—(AP)—Still surrounded by rows of hand-picked National Guardsmen and private body guards, United States Senator Huey P. Long today postponed indefinitely his "murder plot" inquiry after hearing a witness testify as high as \$20,000 had been offered for Long's head.

The same witness—George (Red) Davis—a former deputy sheriff, looking straight into Long's eyes, and speaking without a show of emotion or fear, described what he said were several attempts to kill the senator.

After the hearing Ernest Bourgeois, president of the anti-Long Square Deal association, said the "whole court hearing and murder plot investigation is nothing more than the usual Huey Long publicity stunt."

Long, the political ruler of this silted commonwealth, left the 33-story state house he had turned into a virtual military stronghold, closely flanked by alert soldiers, with the statement that "I might stay here, go to New Orleans for a while, or if world court business needs my attention in Washington I may go there soon."

The third session of the probe into charges that a group of his arch enemies had conspired to kill him was resumed this morning under the same military air as yesterday when Long personally examined witnesses and first heard direct testimony that a conspiracy to kill him had existed.

Davis testified he had conspired with another deputy sheriff on several occasions last November to kill Long and described attempts made to "rub out" the "kingfish" with rifle shots through windows at the governor's mansion and at the state house.

The witness said these attempts were futile because of the close watch state police kept on the area in which Long confined his activities.

Davis, tall and square-jawed, testified he used an automobile assigned to the office of the east Baton Rouge sheriff during the travels coincident with the attempts on Long's life, and that rifles they carried belonged to a hardware company owned by relatives of Sheriff Robert L. Pettit of East Baton Rouge.

## She Duped a Major



Grace Brandon, stenographer from San Antonio, Tex., leaving the courtroom in Topeka, Kan., under guard of an U. S. marshal after she had testified about love letters received from Maj. Charles A. Shepard. The army officer is charged with the slaying of his second wife.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 2.—(AP)—Miss Brandon admitted she received many gifts from the now 53-year-old major and that she had submitted to him bills for doctor service which she did not owe, to obtain money for other purposes.

She admitted that she had been "going out" with other officers in San Antonio when receiving gifts and money from Shepard. She said "he was insanely jealous."

She was questioned closely about a will Shepard made in her favor and \$30,000 in insurance policies that she said he made over to her before his wife's death.

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## UPSTATE SOLONS PLAN CURB UPON STRIKE DISORDER

### Bills Framed to Thwart Repetition of Longshoremen's Walkout Ills—Session Faces Relief Fund Problems Without Solution

SALEM, Feb. 2.—(AP)—A brace of bills declared sponsored by legislators from agricultural districts and directed against the program of organized labor, will be dropped into the house hopper Monday, it was learned here today.

One would hit the anti-union law ruling labor disputes and another would authorize the state police in maintaining order during strikes. These were declared outgrowths of the recent longshoremen's strike in Portland.

SALEM, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Still faced with the most gigantic task to be effected—unemployment relief—the Oregon state legislature today reached the half-way mark of the scheduled session, with no outward indication that any method of approach to the problem had yet been worked out.

Legislators generally were at a loss to know how to proceed chiefly because of the accepted fact that the power of the state assembly had been depreciated due to federal demands and restrictions and because the electorate of the state undoubtedly would vote down any wide-spread form of taxation in an attempt to raise funds for the care of approximately 75,000 people out of work.

These two factors, in the words of John D. Foss, senator from Marshfield, virtually tie the hands of the legislature, and yet the relief solution must be outlined within the remainder of the session. A problem causing plenty of worry among legislators.

Meanwhile next week will see the two houses in full swing on the numerous other tasks which have already appeared and which will continue to flood the assembly the next few days. The coming week will see long hours of labor ahead, both in meetings and in committees.

To date the legislature has disposed of but 49 of the 374 bills already introduced. Thirty of these went to defeat either by the indefinite postponement route, by vote on the floor or by withdrawal. Sixty-six other measures have progressed half way through the assembly.

In addition to all other matters to be considered, Governor Charles H. Martin's planning commission, authorized under the only bill signed by the executive the past week, was working out more proposals, one for departmental consolidations and the other for public works proposals.

The executive named the nine members of his original "brain trust," who have been working for some time on the tasks before them. It was believed some definite proposals would be worked out before the session adjourns in order to establish enabling acts for culmination of these views.

The planning commission bill, the first of the administrative proposals, was the only major bill so far to get through the assembly. Two others—placing fees into the general fund and county unit system for public education—have passed the house.

## BULLETIN

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Eight men, seven of them armed with revolvers and another with a machine gun, held up and robbed the Denver and Rio Grande Western mail train in the outskirts of this city late tonight.

Railroad officials were unable to estimate the amount of loot pending a check of the mail aboard the train. Officers said seven of the robbers apparently boarded the east-bound mail-passenger train when it stopped in the railroad yards here upon its arrival from the west.

While the train was leaving the yards, the robbers took possession of it and holding the mail clerks and crew at bay, forced the engineer to stop at Thirteenth South street.

A truck, driven by the eighth member of the gang, was waiting at that point. The bandits piled their cargo of mail into the truck and drove away.

KLAMATH WOMAN, AWAITING STORK, SLAYS MERCHANT

First Degree Murder Charge Against Divorcee Who Ended Romance With Bullets—Surrenders After Killing.

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 2.—(AP)—First degree murder charge was filed today in the justice court against Mrs. Marion Meyer, accused slayer of the slaying of Lawrence Lister, Klamath Falls business man.

District Attorney Hardin C. Blackmer said Mrs. Meyer is a black-eyed mother.

A blaze of bullets from a gun in the hands of the woman ended the life of Lawrence Lister, 42-year-old meat market owner, here last night.

A few moments after the shooting Marion Meyer, about 35, walked into the Klamath Falls police station and gave herself up.

She readily admitted killing Lister officers said.

## star Witness



William Hanks, 71, former department of justice investigator, was the principal prosecution witness in the trial of 17 alleged communists in Sacramento, Cal. The 17 were charged with criminal syndicalism. He was a state investigator into communist activities (Associated Press Photo)

BAKER TROPHY FOR 'BUY OREGON' AID TO MAIL TRIBUNE

Honor Won in State-Wide Competition With Co-operation of C. of C. and W. A. Gates—Campaign Urged Home Products

The George L. Baker trophy for the best newspaper cooperation in the state-wide "Buy Oregon" campaign last November, was awarded to the Medford Mail Tribune, at an Oregon Manufacturer's association banquet in Portland Thursday night.

Newspapers throughout the state working in conjunction with their chambers of commerce, competed for this trophy in a sweeping campaign to familiarize the people of Oregon with the quality of Oregon-made products, and much credit for the honor which has been directed to the Mail Tribune is due to the splendid cooperation of the Jackson County chamber of commerce, and the various committees participating in the "Buy Oregon" campaign in the Medford area. Credit is also due to W. A. Gates, who was a member of southern Oregon of Governor Julius Meier's Oregon Products committee.

The George Baker trophy was accepted for the Mail Tribune at the Manufacturer's banquet by the Tribune's Portland representative, Ross Mackey, a member of the firm of M. C. Morensen & Company, national advertising representatives. The plaque will be sent to this city, and will be presented to the Mail Tribune at a Jackson County chamber of commerce meeting.

The cooperation of the Mail Tribune and the work of W. A. Gates and the Jackson County chamber of commerce committees members received considerable recognition at the Thursday night banquet in Portland according to word received here.

Mac M. Wilkins, a member of the firm of Mac Wilkins & Cole, and an

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## GRANDMOTHER OF LINDBERGH BABY TO DEFEND MAID

### Mrs. Morrow to Refute Defense Charge Against Dead Violet Sharpe—Colonel Also to Be Rebuttal Witness for State

By John Ferris.  
Associated Press Staff Writer.  
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FLEMINGTON, N. J., Feb. 2.—The grandmother of the murdered Lindbergh baby may be called to the witness stand in the Bruno Richard Hauptmann trial next week to provide a murder night alibi for one of her servants—the dead Violet Sharpe.

Mrs. Dwight Morrow, widow of the one time ambassador to Mexico and Morgan partner, was the employer of the Sharpe woman on March 1, 1932, when the Lindbergh baby was kidnaped. There has been defense testimony that the young Englishwoman—who subsequently committed suicide when police returned to question her—was seen late on the night of the crime, and that she was carrying the "golden haired baby."

David T. Wilentz, the New Jersey attorney general directing the prosecution of Hauptmann, said tonight that he was undecided as to whether he would ask Mrs. Morrow to face the crowded courtroom as her daughter, Mrs. Anne Lindbergh, did in the early days of the trial. Much will depend, Wilentz said, on whether her testimony is deemed necessary to rebut that given yesterday by Peter H. Sommer.

There are other witnesses, Wilentz pointed out, who can testify that Violet Sharpe could not have been the woman Sommer said he saw late the night of March 1, 1932, boarding a New York city street car and carrying a baby in a stroller. She was accompanied, Sommer said, by a man closely resembling the much-mentioned leader Fisch, now dead.

Mrs. Sharpe's actual whereabouts that night, Wilentz said, was at a New Jersey roadside not far from the Englewood home of the Morrow. She persisted, under questioning at the time, in refusing to tell where she had been, as servants of the Morrow estate had been forbidden to patronize that particular place.

Almost certain to be called by the state is Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, the murdered baby's father. His rebuttal testimony is expected to be two-fold. He will endeavor to assist in clearing the name of his mother-in-law's maid-servant, and he also will testify that he has no recollection of ever having met Lou Harding, a defense witness. Harding has testified that he saw two men in a station wagon and with a ladder that they had asked him the way to the Lindberghs' Hopewell estate. Neither of the men was Hauptmann, Harding said.

Only a few of the several available rebuttal witnesses will be needed, prosecutors said today, explaining that they thought the defense was "too weak" to need elaborate rebuttal. They pointed out that in their opinion they had succeeded in diverting much of the defense evidence by cross-examination.

State and defense counsel agreed that barring unforeseen developments the fate of Hauptmann may go to a jury by the end of the week, with the possibility of a verdict by Saturday. An acquittal verdict would mean that Hauptmann would be turned back to Bronx county, N. Y., authorities to face charges growing out of his having been found to possess Lindbergh ransom money. A conviction of murder would call for a sentence of death in the electric chair at Trenton.

MOSCOW, Idaho, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Idaho fans again sang the praises tonight of the battling, prize-pocket Wally Geraghty, who led the University of Idaho to its hardest-fought basketball victory in two years over Washington State college, 30 to 29.

## OLD AGE PENSION FUNDS FROM SLOT MACHINES URGED

### Many States Plan Share From Gambling to Aid Welfare Needs—Oregon Listed As Considering Similar Action.

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The Illinois general assembly has under consideration a bill to tax slot machines, the money to go into county pension funds. Oregon may consider a similar plan, under which 25 per cent of the "take" from the machines would be in the support of the aged. Missouri may tax slot machines, but does not intend to legalize gambling with them, while the Texas legislature has before it a proposal to levy heavy taxes on slot machines.

Such contrivances recently were barred from stores handling liquor in Ohio, but the state liquor control commission may let them remain and put a tax on them. Minnesota and Nebraska have bills which would legalize and tax coin machines up for action. Gov. J. M. Pottrell of Arkansas, wants them either legalized or taxed, or banned altogether. Pennsylvania and Maine legislators see possibilities in slot machine taxation.

South Carolina, Iowa and Indiana, on the other hand, are seeking measures to get rid of the machines.

## SWISHING SKIRTS, PUFFED SLEEVES FOR SPRING WEAR

### Modes Give Women Most Feminine Clothes in Year—Soft Curls on Forehead, Starched Bonnets Return

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The new 1935 mode, today's fashion shows demonstrated, is replete with touches taken from the period when the son of George III was prince regent of England.

Wide crepe capes worn by the regency ladies, and the full swishing skirts, dropped shoulder décolletés, puffed sleeves, white starched collars and bonnets affected by their ladies are all seen.

Current musical comedies and plays and the New York beaux arts ball are credited with having inspired the return of the regency vogues bringing women back to the most feminine clothes they have worn in many years.

Half the mannequins who display the clothes are wearing fringes or masses of soft curls over the forehead and short curls at the back of the head.

## CLAIM INFANTILE PARALYSIS HALTED BY MONKEY SERUM

### BAKERSFIELD, Calif., Feb. 2.—(AP)—One of the medical world's big problems, the prevention of poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis), apparently is being solved here by large scale immunization with an emulsion made from the spinal cord of infected Indian monkeys.

With an epidemic of poliomyelitis prevailing here, and 127 cases recorded so far, several shipments of a serum developed by Dr. Maurice Brodie of New York, have been rushed by airplane, and 700 persons have been inoculated.

Dr. Joe Smith, Kern county health officer, who is in charge of the immunization, said today that no contact inoculated had developed the disease.

The serum has been made available by the New York board of health. It is being sent in specially constructed temperature-controlled packages.

## HIGH COURT OUSTS DAKOTA GOVERNOR

BISMARCK, N. D., Feb. 2.—(AP)—Governor Thomas H. Moodie late today was held ineligible in a state supreme court ruling for an office he held less than a month.

He immediately accepted the decision and called upon North Dakota citizens to cooperate with his successor—Lieutenant Governor Walter H. Wolford.

Elected and inducted into office amid scenes of political strife, his right to serve questioned even before his inaugural January 7, Moodie was told by the court that he had made himself ineligible to act as governor by voting in Minnesota in 1930.

## NEW LIQUOR CZAR FOR EFFICIENCY BEFORE POLITICS

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A first statement that the liquor administration would provide "no patronage jobs" was made by Spencer. He said he planned no radical changes in operations or personnel of Oregon system of state hard liquor stores.

"I think we have a good organization here," he said. "All I ask now is efficiency and loyalty. There will be no politics in this administration."

## FEDERAL CELL TO PRIZE OFFENDER

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 2.—(AP)—Ted Rogoway, convicted narcotics peddler, today was sentenced to serve five years in federal prison and fined \$2000 by Federal Judge James Alger Fee.

A former pugilist, Rogoway was described by the prosecution as not a user, but merely a vendor of narcotics.

## WARDEN RESIGNS DUE TO ESCAPES

OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Oklahoma prison escapes brought the resignation of Warden Sam Brown of the penitentiary today and placed Mrs. George A. Waters, reformatory warden, under fire.

Mrs. Waters, only woman warden of a male prison in the United States, also forced investigation concerning charges of extreme cruelty to young prisoners.

## MRS. BYRD OFF TO GREET EXPLORER

BOSTON, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Mrs. Richard E. Byrd, wife of the explorer, began today a trip to New Zealand, where she will meet her husband on his return from his Antarctic expedition.

Mrs. Byrd said the latest reports from Little America, base of Rear Admiral Byrd's expedition, set the probable date of the party's arrival in Dunedin, New Zealand, at "early next month."

She will sail to New Zealand from San Pedro, Cal.

## FAIR WEATHER FOR THIS WEEK SEEN

OREGON: Generally fair Sunday and Monday; local valley fogs east portion. Little change in temperature; moderate east and southeast wind off the coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Outlook for period of February 4 to February 9, inclusive for far western states:

## CCU FAIR TO PRISON

ROBERUIG, Ore., Feb. 2.—(AP)—Francis C. Findley, Walter L. McHenry of the Wolf Creek CCC camp today were sentenced to prison terms after pleading guilty to a charge of misappropriation of funds from the company commissary.

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Will Rogers says:  
NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Now listen, this Mayor La Guardia is a good friend of mine, but he has just moved his snow from one side of the streets to the other. He didn't seem to want to take it far from its old home. Headline in the financial page says "This Week's Clearings Rise to Five Billion, One Hundred Million." So the Roosevelt administrations are not the only ones that are taking in billions. We had been led to believe that there was no "billions" only on a government "deficit," but there is just as much money as there ever was. Depression, it's just planted deeper in the rat hole, that's all.

Will Rogers.  
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