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 BY PAUL MALLON  
 (Copyright, 1935, by Paul Mallon)  
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## FILM DANDY HELD CRUEL, DRUNKARD IN DIVORCE SUIT

**John Barrymore, On Yacht With Young New York Girl — Beautiful Wife Seeks All Property.**

LOS ANGELES, Calif., May 25.—(AP)—While her handsome husband, John Barrymore of the stage and screen, and New York friends cruised the Atlantic toward Havana in his yacht, Dolores Costello Barrymore sued him for divorce today. She charged him with physical violence against her, excessive drinking and failure to provide for her and their two children.

The suit followed weeks of reports of a rift between the blonde former screen actress and Barrymore, who has been in New York for some time. These reports were intensified by word from New York that Barrymore's cruise guests included 19-year-old Elaine Barrie, who became acquainted with him after writing him a note while he was in a hospital recently.

Mrs. Barrymore, daughter of Maurice Costello, former matinee idol, asked that she be awarded all the community property—valued at about \$300,000—and custody of the children. She also asked \$3,000 a month for support of herself and children and \$10,000 for her lawyers.

The Barrymores married November 24, 1928. Their children are Dolores, 5, and John Blyth Barrymore, Jr., 3.

Mrs. Barrymore charged her husband has inflicted several blows upon her in the past two years. In this time, he also used profane and offensive language to her and drunk-liquor to an extent causing her "great mental suffering," she said.

For the past several months, the actress charged, Barrymore has neglected to provide for her and the children and left numerous household bills unpaid.

She said he has a large earning capacity. In 1934, his income exceeded \$350,000, she asserted.

As community property, she listed the family home in Beverly Hills, the yacht, "Infanta," which was said to have cost \$250,000, two expensive automobiles and stock and other securities valued at not less than \$125,000.

Barrymore left home last August and has not returned, she said, and she has not returned, communicated with her or answered her communications since he left. He is remaining in New York after traveling in foreign countries.

## Quiet Now at Forest Grove



George Vanderzander (inset), tallyman for a lumber mill at Forest Grove, Ore., was one of several men beaten by strike pickets during a disturbance when the mill reopened. State police with sticks are shown watching the pickets before dispersing them. More than 40,000 men are striking in the Pacific northwest. (Associated Press Photo)

## UNION FURNITURE WORKERS VOTE TO DEFER PAY BOOST

**Wage Proposals Rejected Once, Are Accepted—Lumber Strike Still Spreading — Conciliatory Note Seen—Mills Open.**

PORTLAND, Ore., May 25.—(AP)—Union furniture workers tonight voted overwhelmingly to accept alternate wage proposals submitted by two furniture factories here and previously rejected by the workers.

The workers asked establishment of a 30-cent an hour wage minimum by June 1, but tonight voted by a margin of almost 10 to 1 to accept the counter proposal which will defer the full increase for the 2000 workers until 1936.

This was the most northwest lumber strike which at its peak threw 40,000 out of work. Union officials have noted a more conciliatory atmosphere in negotiations the past few days.

However a new walkout of 200 employees of the lumber, plywood and sash and door plants of the McClure Lumber company at Olympia showed the strike to be still spreading in places.

About 400 men will return to work at the Western Cooperage company plant here Monday under a compromise plan accepted by cooperative unionists.

There were rumors several sawmills and logging camps in eastern Oregon and Washington probably would resume Monday with union sanction in some instances.

The rift in union ranks at Tacoma was carried today to sawmill and timber workers' council sessions at Longview. The question of whether A. W. Muir, executive board member of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, had the authority to depose Norman H. Lange of Tacoma, vice-president of the Northwest Council of Sawmill and Timber Workers' Unions, remained a moot question.

Three hundred delegates were registered and the meeting was due to continue tomorrow.

Peace at Forest Grove

In Washington county, where depulized farmers, county and state officers finally dispersed hundreds of pickets who gathered here "unfair" lumber was shipped today even when seven railroad cars of lumber, hogged fuel and slabwood wound their way out of the Jimson company sawmill.

Despite the favorable vote of furniture workers, the Doernbecher and B. P. John Furniture companies will remain closed several days and followed the original days, adverse vote of the workers, who did not strike.

Officials declared re-opening would depend on how soon the lumber flows, congressional pilots today scanned the legislative horizon and decided skillful handling would be necessary if the season's end is to be reached by early July.

Although the bonus shod was behind—some say definitely for the season; others insisted more speedily—the leaders agreed more speed would be needed in view of the controversial program remaining for disposition.

Hints were dropped that some of the legislation may be deferred until next fall if it appears the season may run far into the summer. In this connection, sections of the credit banking bill, centralizing control in the federal reserve board, were mentioned.

Administration forces, however, insisted NRA extension, public utility holding company regulation and the social security bills must pass, together with the few remaining regular appropriation measures.

## LANE GRANGE FOR OUSTING OF KERR, CAMPUS FEE VOTE

**Pomona Takes Action On Educational Issues After Lively Arguments At Eugene Meet.**

EUGENE, Ore., May 25.—(AP) The Lane Pomona Grange in meeting today passed a resolution calling upon the state board of higher education to do away with the office of chancellor and to allow each of the institutions of higher learning to continue under its own president. The resolution is expected to be presented to the education board at its meeting Monday.

Another resolution passed favorably the referendum of the compulsory student fee ruling. Lively arguments featured voting on both resolutions. Some grangers expressed the opinion that the resolution on the chancellor was a matter for the Grange to leave alone. When the vote was taken, however, the resolution was favored by a large majority. Allen Wheeler, sergeant at arms in the senate at the recent state legislative session, and son of State Senator H. C. Wheeler, took the floor for 40 minutes in favor of the student fee bill, which was sponsored by his father in the recent legislature.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 25.—(AP)—While the state board of higher education went ahead with plans to select a new chancellor for Oregon's higher education system, opponents of the chancellorship system tonight reaffirmed their protests.

The board committee looking for a new chancellor announced that in response to repeated urging, Dr. Frederick Maurice Hunter, chancellor of the University of Denver, will arrive here tomorrow to consider the possibility of becoming Oregon's new chancellor.

Dr. W. J. Kerr, present chancellor, has submitted his resignation, effective upon appointment of his successor.

But on the eve of Dr. Hunter's arrival, the University of Portland, president of the Oregon chancery, declared his group and the Oregon mothers would not waver in their intentions to present resolutions to the education board demanding abolition of the office of chancellor.

The Pomona grange at Eugene adopted a similar resolution today.

Wellington announced that Chessman of Astoria, president of the University of Oregon alumni association, notified him that the action by the Portland alumni association regarding the chancellorship "does not represent the attitude of the University of Oregon alumni, which has taken no action and made no recommendation."

The Portland group had expressed confidence in the present set-up with a chancellor heading the institution.

"We are not fighting Kerr or any body else," declared Wellington. "We simply are objecting to the system."

Dr. Hunter has held the chancellorship of the University of Denver since 1928. He long has been particularly in educational affairs, particularly in committee work and preparation of educational papers.

Dr. Hunter was born in Savannah, Missouri, and is 56 years old. He was graduated from University of Nebraska in 1905 and received his A. M. degree at Columbia University in 1914 and his Ph. D. at University of California in 1925.

LONDON.—Efforts to control world wheat shipments temporarily abandoned.

## HOOPER SPENDS NIGHT IN CITY ON AUTO TRIP EAST

**Ex-President Leaves Early Saturday For Upstate — Confers With Hawley At Monroe — To Fish In Idaho.**

Ex-President Herbert Hoover, an overnight visitor in Medford, Friday night, arriving about 10 p. m. and staying at the Hotel Medford with two companions. He asked not to be disturbed and stated that he was planning a fishing expedition for Saturday. He did not say where, and a search at the various fishing lodge and resorts along Rogue river failed to confirm the rumor that he was fishing that stream. He left the hotel about 7 o'clock Saturday morning, accompanied by his secretary, Paul Seaton, and chauffeur.

At Monroe, Ore., near Eugene, Mr. Hoover conferred with former Congressman Willis C. Hawley on "other things" than politics, he said. Then he proceeded through his former home, the Willamette valley, to Portland.

Tomorrow Mr. Hoover and his secretary, Paul Seaton, will drive to Idaho, where Mr. Hoover will put in "three days with a friend" on trout streams there.

Then he goes to Denver, where Friday night the University of Colorado will confer a degree upon him. June 3 he will make the commencement address and receive a degree from Drake University at Des Moines.

While here Mr. Hoover smilingly declined to express opinions on current political questions and issues.

"I just can't pop out with off-hand answers," he explained. "When I have anything to say on national problems I give days of thought to what I have in mind, put it on paper in a prepared statement, and release it."

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"I have been asked to answer no questions," he replied when told reports were current that his daughter, Jean, 16, had related seeing three men watching the Lowell school, which the boy attended, for the past several days.

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The Weyerhaeuser family appeared to be leading a normal life. The 13-year-old sister of the missing boy, Ann, dressed in a brown riding habit, was seen walking up and down the street by the house while the young son of the nine-year-old kidnaped was placed in the back seat.

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Other officers elected at the closing session of the 15th annual state convention held here this week were Don T. Robinson of Bend, vice president; Eugene Lawrence of Eugene, secretary; C. C. Reined of Corvallis, sergeant at arms; and S. W. Lawrence of Portland, regional director. Laundry Owners' National association.

Members elected to the executive committee were James Weis of The Dalles, Glen Fabrick of Medford, Don Robinson of Bend, Percy Allen of Portland and Charles Weller of Albany.

## NET SPREAD OVER NORTH CALIFORNIA FOR SEDAN, 2 MEN

SAN FRANCISCO, May 25.—(AP)—Indications that the department of justice was spreading a net north of here for the kidnapers of nine-year-old George Weyerhaeuser of Tacoma were seen in activities of district headquarters here today.

Jay Newman, agent in charge, refused to discuss the case, however, and would neither deny nor confirm reports that a dozen heavily armed operatives had left for the north by airplane.

Tacoma reports said a department of justice man was expected to arrive there tonight from San Francisco to take charge of the investigation.

One of the reports here was that some of the agents were instructed to spread out from Eureka on the northern California coast and watch all highways for an automobile sedan bearing California license plates. Authorities at Tacoma said an automobile, in which two men and a boy were riding, was seen in the vicinity of the Weyerhaeuser home in Tacoma.

As the department of justice moved into action behind its cloak of secrecy, it was recalled here that one of the hideouts of the late George "Baby Face" Nelson and other members of the Dillinger gang was in northern California.

TACOMA, May 25.—(AP)—A move to make contact with the kidnapers of nine-year old George Weyerhaeuser was made tonight by his family.

A "personal" was inserted in the Seattle Sunday Post-Intelligencer classified advertising section reading: "Expect to be ready to come Monday, August, Percy Minnie." The message was believed to be in reply to instructions given Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Weyerhaeuser, Jr., parents of the child, in a ransom note delivered to them yesterday.

Authentic sources here said the note, signed "The Egoliat," directed the parents to sign the reply "Percy Minnie."

A. C. Confort, of Tacoma, former reading clerk of the state house of representatives, was reported to have given federal agents information that three men in a tan sedan were seen parked in front of the Lowell school four or five days before George disappeared yesterday while on his way home for lunch.

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## GRANTS PASS, MAY DIES IN FLAMES

GRANTS PASS, May 25.—(AP)—An unidentified assailant who threatened the life of Max White of this city and drove him from his home at 230 Saturday morning, died in the flames of the burning building an hour later after returning to the home in a nightmare.

White was living in a house owned by Ione Florida about two miles from this city. He appeared at the neighbor's house declaring he had accosted an intruder who had threatened to beat him and had pursued him down the road.

At about 3:40 this morning, after White had been put to bed by the neighbors, a fire broke out at the home White had left, and as the neighbors rushed to save clothing and household furniture they heard shrieks for help issuing from the burning building.

The flames had gained such headway that entrance was impossible and the building burned to the ground.

This afternoon state police and Coroner Hunt found the body from the ruins, and found it was that of a large man and bore no identifying marks. It was badly burned, and a request was issued for the names of any persons known to be in the area in an attempt to discover the victim's identity.

Ashes of the house were screened in a vain search for anything that might clear up the mystery of the fire. After several hours only a few buttons had been found.

## COURT ASKED TO HALT AUTO RACES AT INDIANAPOLIS

Householder Near Speedway Files Suit On Ground Speed Test "Public Nuisance And Dangerous."

INDIANAPOLIS, May 25.—(AP)—Skids marking the resumption today of qualifying trials for the 300-mile race to be run May 30 at the Indianapolis motor speedway.

A pilot tuning up for the trials wrecked his car on one of the treacherous turns and a householder living just across the road from the big track threatened through court action to ditch the entire race, contending that it is a public nuisance and a dangerous event.

The mishap occurred to the car driven by Merrill (Doc) Williams of Anderson, Ind. He was speeding at 100 miles per hour when his car suddenly scooted toward the outside retaining wall, rammed it and caromed to the inside wall. Williams and a mechanic who died in similar accidents last Tuesday, thrown clear of the machine as it skidded, he apparently sustained only a fractured ankle and bruises.

Bret Burke Billings filed the suit to halt the race and all future qualifying trials. At the request of Paul Y. Davis, speedway attorney, Judge Joseph R. Williams continued until Monday a hearing on Billings' petition.

Billings alleged that the speedway endangers the lives of persons on adjoining property as well as the lives of the drivers. His suit recalled the accident several years ago in which a four-year old boy, playing in the yard of his home near a track, was killed by a wheel from the wrecked racing machine.

Billings further contended that the noise and "obnoxious odors" from the track are annoying and declared that the event has all the evils of a prize fight or a bull fight.

## DOOMED COLORADO PAIR WILL FEAST THEIR LAST WEEK

CANON CITY, Colo., May 25.—(AP)—A request by two condemned convicts who asked that they be permitted to "eat, drink and be merry" until they are executed next week was granted today by Warden Roy Best of the Colorado prison.

Fried chicken, leg of lamb, veal cutlets, beef tenderloin, strawberry shortcake, pie and ice cream were placed on the menu for John and Louis Pacheco, scheduled to die next Friday night in Colorado's lethal gas chamber.

They jokingly asked for beer and wine but instead will get tea and coffee. They explained they did not drink while Warden Best still was pending their request for liquor.

Slendering and darkening lupus up the daily routine of the brothers and Leo Belongia, also a condemned murderer, in the death house. Belongia, former Minnesota convict, who was sentenced to die June