

### FISH SKELETONS AGES OLD DUG OUT OF ROCKS

MADISON, Wis., 6.—(UP)—Strange skeletal remains of monsters existing 40,000,000 years ago have been collected for the University of Wisconsin geological museum from Devonian rock scattered along Milwaukee county park roads by Milwaukee workers.

Gilbert O. Raasch, geologist, learning that WPA workmen deepening the Milwaukee river to prevent floods were digging out rock of the Devonian age, or "age of fishes," obtained hundreds of specimens on the project site and along the roads where the rock from it was distributed. His finds included remains of scales from the ancient sluggish water beasts, segments of cutting bones which served them as teeth, parts of fin and dorsal spines, and portions of the hard skull plates which armored the first back-boned animals known to the world.

Retreat of the Devonian age some 40,000,000 years ago left imbedded in the last Wisconsin rock formation to be laid down the remains of the dominating water life of the period comprising some 40 varieties of fish animals, according to geological interpretations explained by Raasch. The large size attained by some of the animals is demonstrated by a reconstructed skull in a Buffalo museum which is large enough for a man to crawl through its jaws, he said.

Specimens of this interesting geological period first were uncovered years ago when a company found that the rock—a water lime—was a natural cement, but the university failed to obtain any of them before changing production methods resulted in abandonment of the digging 30 years ago.

Many of the Devonian fish were heavy and clogged with head and four-body heavily armored, the remainder equipped with thick scales, Raasch said. The larger ones must have fed on those smaller, since little other food apparently was available.

The Devonian sea probably covered much of Wisconsin extending farther inland than Milwaukee, Raasch said. The age was termed Devonian because it was first studied from deposits unearthed at Devonshire, England. Several widely scattered deposits are known in North America.

Deposits from the Silurian period, immediately preceding the Devonian, also have been found in Milwaukee county near Wauwatosa where specimens of coral, shellfish and trilobites have been picked up.

### POISONED BAKING SODA KILLS 3



Warrants for the arrest of two accused of selling poisoned baking soda were issued in San Francisco. Bulk soda was ordered confiscated by Dr. J. C. Geiger, city health officer, who said three deaths and 13 cases of severe illness had been traced to the inadvertently sold soda. Inspector Walter J. Hagen is shown as he took over the barrels of soda that were unsold. (Associated Press Photo)

### PRISON POPULATION LARGEST IN 4 YEARS

SALEM, Dec. 6.—(AP)—Population at the Oregon State Penitentiary has reached the highest mark since more than four years ago, with 910 prisoners now behind bars, penitentiary officials reported.

From the high point of March 16, 1931, when the prison population was 937, there was a steady drop to 745 early in 1934.

### Tot Fires Bed To Avoid Taking Nap

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 6.—(AP)—Mrs. Arthur Kessel sent her 3-year-old son upstairs for his afternoon nap. She ordered him back when he came downstairs a few minutes later.

"Can't the bed's on fire," the lad replied.

Firemen put out the blaze while Mrs. Kessel barked her son for setting his own bed on fire.

### COMPROMISE PLAN FOUND BY CHINESE TO AVOID BREACH

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nese military commander in north China, Maj-Gen. Hayaao Tada, and the Nanking government. It was reported to provide a large share of self-government to the northern provinces and to make them exempt from Nanking's silver nationalization program.

The time of the possible Chinese appeal to the league was uncertain, said informed London circles. The response of the signatories of the nine-power treaty to China's presentation of its views, made by Chinese diplomats, was expected to have a bearing on the delivery of the appeal.

Britain also was understood to be considering strong action to maintain China's territorial integrity, guaranteed under the nine-power treaty. Signatories of the pact were Japan, the United States, the British Empire, China, France, Italy, Belgium, Portugal and the Netherlands.

Japan takes the stand, said a foreign office spokesman, that the nine-power treaty was fully effective because, he said, China failed to meet some of its obligations.

### QUIZ PAINTER IN MURDER MYSTERY

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 6.—(AP)—Police questioned a house painter here today about the brutal slaying 11 years ago of Martha Gratzke, 18-year-old Portland girl.

Officers said the man, whose name was withheld, stolidly denied any knowledge of the crime.

Patrolman Ray Thompson said he talked with the prisoner after plying him with liquor and he talked freely of the crime. Police arrested for drunkenness as a means of holding him for questioning. While sober he declared he knew nothing of the crime.

### Cup That Cheers Has No Place In Uncle Sam's Mail

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—(AP)—The "cup that cheers" is not recognized by postal officials as part of Christmas celebration.

"During past holiday seasons, large numbers of parcels containing intoxicating liquors have been accepted for mailing, notwithstanding this law. Postmasters are requested to see that employees who receive mail from the public are reminded of the law and instructed not to accept parcels containing intoxicants. Intoxicating liquors found in the mails are subject to confiscation and the mailers are liable to heavy penalties."

### NEW CONVOY PLAN ADOPTED BY CCC

A new "convoy system" of supply for the CCC camps of the Medford district was started this week, with three weekly truck convoys leaving the quartermaster warehouses.

One convoy goes to Klamath Falls each week with supplies for the five camps in that area. It is met there by a truck from each camp which picks up the supplies from the train.

Another convoy goes to Oak Knoll in northern California with supplies for Oak Knoll and Indian Creek.

Another convoy goes north, stopping at Grants Pass, Canyonville, Roseburg and Coquille, and is met in each city by trucks from camps in its vicinity. Camps in the immediate vicinity of Medford will continue to draw supplies directly from the quartermaster warehouse.

### Baptist Girls To Rally On World Wide Guild

Girls of the World Wide Guild of the First Baptist church will meet Sunday at 10:30 a. m. to journey to Ashland for the W. W. G. quarterly rally, which starts promptly at 12:00 o'clock. All girls are urged to attend. As a perfect attendance is desired.

Principal speakers of the day will be Mrs. M. B. Hodges, state director, and Mrs. Matthews, of Portland. Each member is to provide her own lunch. Transportation will be furnished by Mrs. J. S. Ely and Miss Kathryn Mead.

### 'CANDIDA' STAGED FOUR-SQUARE IS S. O. N. S. SUCCESS

Professor Angus L. Bowmer and a talented cast from the Southern Oregon Normal school presented in a formal opening, "Candida," by George Bernard Shaw, at the Lithia Hotel in Ashland last night.

The audience, with the ladies and many of the gentlemen in formal dress, were shown into the small ballroom opening off the mezzanine floor, where they were seated on all four sides of the "stage," a space in the center of the room designated by the furnishings in the stage set. This "four-dimensional" presentation proved very popular with the audience, it being new to most theatre-goers of southern Oregon.

Outstanding in her smooth capable handling of the title-role was Helen Edmiston, of Medford, who brought to the role an understanding and finesse truly commendable. She was ably supported by the rest of the carefully chosen cast, with Wayne Smith taking the role of James Mavor Morrell. Candida's pastor-husband; Roberta Nourse as Miss Prosperine Garnett, secretary to the Rev. Morrell; Ivan Nye as Alexander Hill; John Herr playing the difficult role of Mr. Burgess, blustery old gentleman; and Ford Hurrell giving a vivid characterization of Eugene Marchbanks, the young poet who is tortured by his love for Candida. Miss Marjorie McNair is alternate in the title-role with Miss Edmiston.

Sophistication is always a difficult mood for young Thespians, but the audience was unanimous in congratulating both actors and director on a thoroughly competent production. The production staff, which is equally responsible with the actors for the success of any play, consisted of Lois M. Bowmer, Robert Stedman, Bernice Martin, Margaret Ward, Gaylord Tice, Maxine Gearhart, Marjorie Mulholland, Elizabeth Robertson, Donald Carson and Nellie Broedlove.

The three ensuing performances of "Candida" will be presented tomorrow evening and next Friday and Saturday evenings at the same place. Tickets may be reserved by calling 81 at Ashland, when they will be delivered.

SEMI-ANNUAL SALE Now in Progress ETHELWYN B. HOPPMANN.

### Forest Supervisors To Be Transferred

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 6.—(AP)—Thomas H. Burgess, acting supervisor of the Sula National forest with headquarters at Eugene, will go to Bellingham, Wash., as supervisor of the Mt. Baker National forest. Regional Forester C. J. Buck announced. Supervisor Ralph S. Shelley, who has been on a year's leave, will resume the Sula position. Burgess will replace L. B. Pagter, who is to become

assistant to the regional engineer in the forestry office here.

### Jealous Suitor Held In Slaying

PORTLAND, Dec. 6.—(AP)—Frank LaBelle was held here today on a first degree murder indictment returned by the grand jury for the alleged slaying of Mrs. Myrtle Service, 37, in a hotel here a week ago. Detective Captain John J. Keenan said LaBelle admitted he shot Mrs. LaBelle because of jealousy.

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### Wall St. Report

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—(AP)—Cautious buying in the copper, oil, aircraft, communications and specialties lent quiet support to today's quiet stock market.

Some of the recent rail and industrial favorites were backed under moderate profit taking. Confusing foreign developments tended to cool bullish fever. The close was irregular. Transfers approximated 2,350,000 shares.

While domestic business news was rather an offset to cloudy happenings abroad, many traders were not inclined to expand commitments in either direction.

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### SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—(AP)—CATTLE.

75; load medium 100-10 lb. California, hay-fed, \$6.75; good under 800-lb. steers absent, quoted to \$8; medium-good she-stock absent; cutters fairly active, strong; few sales 25c higher, mostly \$2.50-\$3.50; bulls scarce. Calves 75; nominal; choice vealers up to \$9.50.

### Long Mountain

LONG MOUNTAIN, Dec. 6.—(Sp.) Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Kline spent an evening last week at the George Stowell home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Holman entertained on Thanksgiving day for Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoffman, of Eagle Point and Mrs. Alice Hedberg and Mr. Gray of Applegate.

James Thomas spent Thanksgiving day visiting friends at McCloud. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Short were callers at the Elsworth Stowell home one evening last week.

Grace and Henry Holman spent Friday at the H. C. Short home. Mr. and Mrs. Nick Young and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoffman called on Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harnish of Ulec Point Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Kline and Mrs. M. C. Kline were Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Short.

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