

BRISBANE THIS WEEK

The Gold Decision
Beheading Women
Murder With Germs
The Atom, Absolute Zero

The Supreme court upholds the President and congress in their legislative and executive action outlawing gold as money in the United States and invalidating "gold clauses" in private contracts.

The Supreme court's decision is all the more important and gratifying, because every American knows that no consideration outside the letter of the Constitution could have influenced Chief Justice Hughes or his associates.

The Supreme court decision disposes of the statement that President Roosevelt's administration has been proceeding "regardless of the Constitution." The decision will be ensuring to business and the public generally.

From every point of view the beheading of women by Mr. Hitler's government seems to have been a pitifully disgusting performance. The women's hands were bound with steel chains—in fear, perhaps, that they might bite through rings or straps. The agile headman, in full dress, cut off both heads in six minutes. The women were beheaded out of doors in the light, just before dawn, with floodlights for the headman's work.

Witnesses of the killings praise the composure of the two women, each walked to her death erect, wrists chained behind her, showing no sign of fear. An eyewitness said: "They set a good example to our men, whom we usually have to drag to the scaffold."

You have read about "war with germs" in the next great outburst. India proves that it could be done. At Allpore two are condemned to death, convicted of "germ murder." As rich Amarendra Nath Pandey walked along the street he felt sharp stab. He cried out. A germ poisoner had injected plague germs into his blood. Amarendra said: His murderers were his step-son and his doctor. Two other actors, accused, were acquitted.

A well-organized germ war could be disagreeable, distributing disease germs above great cities and reservoirs from planes.

At Leyden, in Holland, scientists have produced a degree of cold said approach within one five-thousandth of a degree of absolute zero. A gigantic electro-magnet, in combination with liquid helium, produces the lowest temperature ever known on earth.

The lowest possible degree of cold, the absolute zero, would be minus 273 degrees centigrade, or minus 459.6 Fahrenheit. At least science thinks so. It used to call the atom "smallest fragment of matter."

Science needs "absolute zero" to help in tearing apart the atom, now known to be a miniature solar system.

Doctor Stejnach of Vienna, whose business has been transplanting glands of lower animals to the bodies of men, to prolong youth and extend the years of possible parenthood, announces now a "chemical substance" that makes transplanting glands unnecessary. The chemical, called progynon, possibly a compound of "progeny," is available for men or women.

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Full credit should be given the Oregon state highway commission for the plan it has presented looking to the early building of the super-highway between Portland and Cascade Locks. That a shorter, more direct and wider piece of road must be constructed, cannot be reasonably denied. There is real vision in the Program adopted

by the commission and Governor Martin.

As proposed, the state will be able to kill two birds with one stone. We shall be able to eat our piece of pie and keep it. It will be unfortunate if the coast counties' citizenry should not at this time rise to the occasion and forget their own naturally

selfish interests for the benefit of the entire state. The Columbia highway is so cluttered with huge trucks that the tourist gets a feeling of terror on the sharp turns on the scenic route. A road is needed. Tourist travel and business will suffer if it is not built. It is to be hoped the entire state will get behind the plan.

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CHAMBERS URGE ARMY TO DREDGE RIVER TO 30 FEET

Dredging of the Columbia river from Vancouver to Bonneville to a depth of 30 feet was brought a step nearer last week when commercial and civic organizations and associations appeared before a board of army engineers at The Dalles to protest further delay of a job which must be done sooner or later if construction of the dam is to be of practical value to up river cities and towns.

Major Charles F. Williams, presiding at the hearing, estimated cost of dredging a channel for sea-going vessels at \$5,000,000, said the yearly upkeep would run around \$450,000. His estimates were based on a channel 30-feet deep, and width of a city block.

Shippers told the army engineers that savings in freight would total \$3,000,000 a year; permit wheat growers of the Pacific northwest to compete with Canadian wheat growers in world markets; save \$4.25 a ton in freight rates on gasoline; permit fruit growers of Yakima valley to ship apples down the river at a saving of \$1.50 a ton; save apple growers of Hood River valley \$1.20 a ton on 50,000 tons of fruit.

H. C. Allen, director of the port commission of Stockton, Calif., told the army engineers that ocean going freighters of 1,000 tons could be run up the river to The Dalles for \$481.44, in contrast with the \$1680 it costs to run a vessel from Portland to Seattle, giving the river an advantage of \$1.20 a ton savings on freight rates.

Information brought out at the hearing will be laid before the board of army engineers in Washington, D. C., in support of a recommendation made by Colonel T. M. Robbins, district engineer in Portland, who has urged that the channel in the river be deepened by the time the dam is completed.

SCOUT TROOP PLAN

All boys over the age of 12 years, interested in forming a scout troop in the Locks, are requested by Jack Travis to attend an organization at the high school Monday night.

LEGION BOX SOCIAL

The Bonneville American Legion post will hold a gala basket social and card party Tuesday night at either the guest house or the Community Chapel. Commander Dave M. Marvin announced last week.

Prizes will be given for the bridge and pinochle games and also for the best basket at the auction. Refreshments are to be served. The house committee in charge of the affair consists of Lee Summerville, Charles Bellarts, Richard Nance, Ed Clark and Reed Walworth.

STEVENSON HI HELD FIELD GOALLESS BY LOCKS PREP HOOPERS

The Cascade Locks high school basketball team won its way into the state record books Saturday night by holding the Stevenson preppers without a field goal for 28 minutes, winning easily, 16-3.

The visitors' lone points come one at a time, on foul shots converted in the first three quarters. Time and again their shots rolled around the rim and dropped out, or their forwards, with easy chances to sink a score, shot wildly in their excitement.

The tilt was the first in the memory of hoop followers where one of the teams has failed to score a field goal over the regulation distance.

JOHNSON AND GRAHAM REMATCHED FOR BOUT

Falling to get a decision in their first match, when irate fans staged a riot after both wrestlers and the referee were helpless, Wildcat Johnson, Canada's middleweight grappling champion, and Ted Graham, the bone-twisting cowboy from Cascade Locks, will meet in the main event of Promoter James Merrill's Pavilion card tonight, Thursday.

The previous match was a rough affair all the way, with each holding one fall when Johnson was attacked by the spectators. After three minutes of milling Johnson was escorted from the ring and the match declared a draw. The bout will be for the best two out of three falls or a decision at the end of two hours.

In the semi-windup, Ray Lampman, 165, Sacramento, who won the main event of last week's card, will tangle with young Kallio, of Astoria, in a six-round match. The four-round opener pits Jimmy Dolan, 158, a former Portland pug, against Curley Green of Corvallis.

ALMACK SELLS BUS LINE

The sale of Wallack Almack's bus line to G. C. Fancher, of Graham, was announced Monday by the new owner. The sale includes only the larger of the two busses now operating. Price was not announced.

To our special operator number 167, in Bonneville, we extend our thanks. So the secret is out—Otto Leon Munchausen Hauser.

HIGHWAY COMMISSION SEEKS FUNDS FOR NEW ROAD INTO DAM AREA

Business Men To Demand Action On Street Work

Determined to obtain early action on reconstruction of the state highway through town, a delegation of business men from Cascade Locks will visit Portland today for the appearing before the state highway commission.

The delegation is the second that has gone before the commission within the past 30 days and asked for relief from a situation that is fast becoming intolerable, due to the state's failure to fulfill its contract.

Highway engineers, who have visited Cascade Locks this week, declare the commission will award a contract at its meeting on March 28 for the street work. The business men want this information confirmed. And more to the point, they want the highway engineers to begin throwing dirt.

Leslie M. Scott, chairman of the commission, has visited the district twice within the past 10 days. He has told friends that he proposes to see that work promised for Cascade Locks is completed at an early date.

The state made a fill in front of the Horn club, on lower Main Street, last week, but took the steam shovel away before the job was half done. They assigned 3 reasons for removing the shovel before completing the grade:

1. A new culvert must be built.
2. The state wants to do the job by contract.
3. Concrete retaining walls must be built.

EAGLES TO DANCE

Cascade Locks-Bonneville Eagles are advertising a dance at Merrill's Pavilion for St. Patrick's day, which means the dance will be held the night of March 16, and that is on a Saturday. Revenues from the dance will be used in buying uniforms for the new drill team.

Ralph J. Williams, of the power company, is driving a new car and smiling out at the world. It's a—well, it's a nice car.

Construction of the super-highway between the toll bridge in Cascade Locks and Troutdale will be undertaken immediately if the federal government will consent to a gift of \$4,200,000 from PWA funds, it was agreed last week in a conference between Governor Martin and the State highway commission.

To Washington will go members of the highway commission, and probably Governor Martin, to ask that funds for the new road be made available at once.

First unit constructed would be the section between Cascade Locks and Bonneville. Plans for this part of the super-highway have been hatched, are on file. They provide for a four-lane road, only one lane of which would be built now; a maximum curvature of four percent; a tunnel under tooth rock, a tunnel or deep cut just east of Eagle creek; elimination of bad grades. The highway would parallel the railroad.

From Bonneville to the base of the grade west of Crown Point the new road would follow closely upon the route of the present highway, except that it would be built north of the railroad tracks along the river's edge. Material for the grade would be obtained from the sand and gravel removed from the Columbia by United States engineers engaged in deepening the river channel to 30 feet.

In asking for PWA funds the state will point to the fact that construction of Bonneville dam and development of the Bonneville dam area has created a traffic problem which the people of Oregon are unable to solve without help from the federal government.

EAGLES RECEIVE CHARTER

The Cascade Locks-Bonneville Aerie of Eagles have received their new charter and will have it framed and hung in the lodge room at French's.

HERMAN OPENS STORE

The rapidly-growing business district on the highway at Bonneville will add to its total Saturday, when Herman's Department store will be opened to the public by J. Eftland, of Portland.

The new building, one of a small chain owned by Herman, will carry a full line of men's and women's furnishings, shoes and notions.

BUCS WIN EASILY

The Cascade Locks Buccaneers held to second place in the Mid-Columbia league by trouncing the Phinney Realtors Tuesday night at Hood River, 35-13. Harry Cramblet's 16 points, seven of them in the final quarter, when the Locks cinched the game, featured.

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