

PROGRESS IS 1930 KEYNOTE

Government Officials
Forecast Prosperity
For New Year.

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of a federal board, armed with \$500,000,000 of federal funds, ready to oversee the whole of national farm products marketing.

The agricultural department announced also that there were "no depressing surpluses of food products to be worked off" at the present time, notwithstanding the fact that 1929 crops exceeded those of the previous year by \$85,000,000, and that livestock sales were \$30,000,000 greater.

Pessimism Not Warranted

After declaring that he could "see nothing in the present situation that is either menacing or warrants pessimism," Secretary Mellon said:

"In the credit situation the trend of money rates is downward. There is plenty of credit available, and we have reason to expect that the rates for new capital in building construction and expansion will be such as to facilitate the promotion and accomplishment of new undertakings. The government's finances are in sound condition, which warrants the cut in taxes, and the government itself is in a position to do its part in helping the country to meet and solve the problems which are ahead."

Secretary Mellon's statement said in part:

Some Industries Lagged

"Although some of our industries lagged behind, there was on the whole, during 1929, less disparity between the slow and active branches of business than has been apparent in other recent years."

"Its very substantial character helped greatly to alleviate the effects of the marked break in prices of stock exchange securities during October and November."

"The most important single indicator of economic activity is the index of the output of the manufacturing industries. This showed an increase of approximately 20 per cent over 1925—a very active year."

Aviation Advances

Clarence M. Young, assistant secretary of commerce for aeronautics, made an equally optimistic report on the progress of aviation, adding that the new year should be favored by the momentum established by the accomplishments of the old. He said that approximately 15,000,000 miles were flown in 1929, with 35,000 passengers and 8,000,000 pounds of mail transported in the United States alone.

NO TEARS SHED FOR 1929 A. D.

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white ball long enough to enjoy the most successful dance ever held at the Reames Golf and Country club. The affair was in the form of a dinner dance, and was well attended by members of the social set of the city. Many of the younger couples also attended the dance.

Elks and Ladies Frolic

The Elks club held a frolic for Elks and their ladies at the temple, and dancing was enjoyed with Jack Bowring and his orchestra from 9 o'clock until a late hour. An avalanche of balloons floated down upon the guests, and a good-natured balloon scramble followed.

In addition to this, many public dances were held in the city and surrounding dance halls, which were well attended.

Church Held Watch

Accompanied by less noise and conviviality were the New Year's watch parties held at the several churches. Some of these parties had programs to while the time away until the long-awaited-for hour, serving refreshments to better enable the inner man to withstand the long vigil.

EAGER THROG AT RECEPTION

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the diplomatic corps was the supreme court personnel.

For the first time in many years former President Taft did not attend the reception. He was en route to Cincinnati to attend the funeral of his brother, Charles P. Taft.

The long line of senators and congressmen and their families formed in the East room and paraded past the Marine band in the main corridor to the state dining room, from where they entered the Blue room, where Mr. and Mrs. Hoover were stationed.

The army and navy officers formed at the north entrance long before the jam of officials ahead of them had been cleared away. At the gates of the White House grounds hundreds of persons gathered for the reception to the general public during the afternoon, some of the people in the general line had been at the gates since 1 o'clock in the morning.

PRIVATE BANK ROBBED

PORTLAND, Jan. 1. (AP)—A trunk containing \$400 was looted by thieves in the home of Tony Gimble last night, he reported to police. Nothing but the cash was missing.

IDAHO BOOZE WAR SHIFTED

Federal Officers Leave
Mullan Battlefront
For Wallace.

COUER D'ALENE, Idaho, Jan. 1. (AP)—The first act of the North Idaho "whiskey rebellion" closed with the conviction and sentencing of 24 men and women, the scene suddenly shifted today to Wallace, to a new rebellion.

Weniger Stands Pat

Sheriff R. E. Weniger of Shoshone county, who was sentenced to serve two years in prison and to pay \$1,000 fine, was the principal character, and the plot revolved around the states efforts to remove him from office.

The second act programmed by Hoyt E. Ray, United States district attorney, leader of the crusade against liquor violations in the Couer d'Alene mining region, was the trial of Weniger, Mayor Herman J. Rossi of Wallace, and other officials on charges of conspiracy similar to those pressed in the case of Mullan. The date for this trial had not been set.

Removal Automatic

Under Idaho laws, conviction of a felony automatically removes an officer, and in this case Coroner H. C. Mewery was next in line of succession to the sheriff's office. But Weniger was reported to have refused to vacate, and Mewery said: "I do not care to become a party to this conflict." Sheriff Weniger, he said, "refused point blank" to vacate until his appeal to the United States circuit court of appeals has been disposed of.

Start Ouster Proceedings

In the meantime, in Boise W. D. Gillis, attorney general, was of the opinion that the office was vacant, and he was reported to have said that ouster proceedings would be started at once against Weniger, his deputy, Charles Bloom, and Mullan city officials, all of whom were convicted by a federal jury here Sunday night.

FATE CRUEL TO PATTON FAMILY

Son of Late Cooke Patton Injured
in Automobile Accident
and Not Expected to Live

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 1. (AP)—Mrs. E. Cooke Patton of Salem today received word that her son, George Lalonde, had been seriously injured in an automobile accident at Vancouver, Wash., and was not expected to live. The husband of Mrs. Patton died suddenly at Hubbard mineral springs last Friday night where he had gone as an entertainer. His sister, Mrs. J. D. McCully of Hood River died the following morning from shock caused by her brother's death.

Lalonde Better Today

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 1. (AP)—Improvement was shown today in the condition of George Lalonde, 27, and his wife, 26, who were injured early today in a collision on the Oregon end of the interstate bridge, according to attendants at a Vancouver, Wash., hospital.

Crashed Truck

R. A. Carlson, Portland, reported to the sheriff's office that an automobile driven by Lalonde crashed into the rear end of his truck. Carlson was thrown against the windshield but escaped with minor bruises. He told the sheriff that Lalonde was driving at a high rate of speed. Lalonde's car tipped over.

Passing motorists took them to the hospital. They reside in Vancouver.

AUTO LEADING DEATH AGENCY

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phyxiation, 2; lumber camp and woods accidents, 3; hunting accident, 1.

Five Homicides

Five homicides complete the list for accidental deaths during the past year. The first of these was Ned Connolly, murdered on January 21, 1929. Others followed with William Ward being killed on February 8; Morris Latches on April 5; Sydney Darling killed by Jack Wright on November 13 and the one of Christmas eve, when Biente Ponce, Mexican, was killed by Texas Tom Demoss.

In 1928 investigations of the coroner's records show that 52 deaths resulted from unnatural causes. Additional reasons during that year were given as "canned heat," "starvation" and death from accident at railroad crossing.

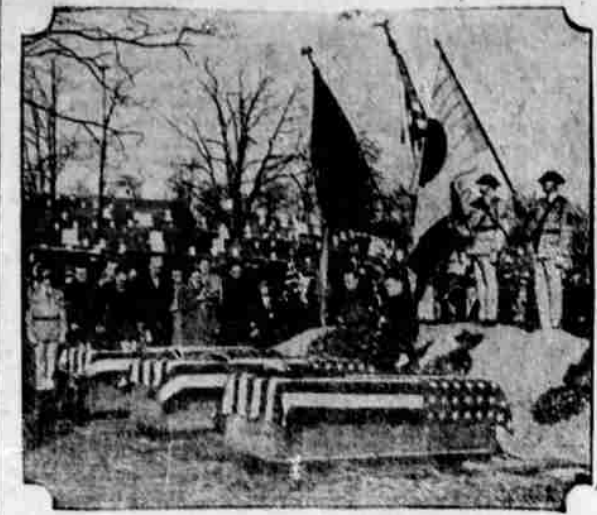
ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

PORTLAND, Jan. 1. (AP)—Howard Fox, 30, of Spray, Ore., was in a hospital here today after two attempts at suicide. Physicians said he probably would die. Fox, who resided in a hotel, shot himself twice in the breast. He was discovered by the proprietor of the hotel, who heard the shots.

INDICT STRANGLER

ROANOKE, Va., Jan. 1. (AP)—Buren Harman, 20, was indicted today for the murder of Freda Bolt, 18, of Willis, whose body was found on Bent mountain in Roanoke county, on December 18. The girl, according to authorities, was strangled to death.

Rites for Last of U. S. War Dead



The impressive military rites held in the Arlington, Va., National Cemetery for three soldier heroes of the post-war campaign in Archangel, Russia, are pictured above. They were among the last of America's war dead to be returned to this country from Europe, 72 other bodies having been sent to other states, mainly Michigan, for burial. Above you see Capt. Harvey Miller, commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, placing medals on the flag-draped caskets.

DRY CAUSE IS LEADING TOPIC

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Curran did not mention it; but McBride said:

Officials Carrying On

"The present controversy is not being carried on by the league or any of the opposing organizations, but by various public officials. This has been the objective of the league since the enactment of the eighteenth amendment, and will bring the liquor question up for general consideration."

Curran quoted a report of the Illinois association for criminal justice as saying that prohibition was a pivot about which thuggery and racketeering revolved because of the enormous revenue derived from traffic in illicit liquor. He asserted that the remedy lay in repealing or amending the eighteenth amendment, in such a way that the states may frame their own liquor laws in accordance with local conditions.

Meanwhile, a full had developed in the bitter exchange of statements which has characterized the recent dispute, and interest continued in the letter on prohibition which Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, sent to President Hoover, after denouncing "from top to bottom" the personnel of government enforcement agencies.

A report that Mr. Hoover had written a reply to the Idaho senator could not be confirmed either at the White House or at Borah's office and at the same time the contents of Borah's letter were a carefully guarded secret.

Senator Brookhart, republican, Iowa, has said that when congress reconvenes he intends to carry the prohibition question to the floor of the senate, which may precipitate a general discussion there. Brookhart yesterday issued a reiterated demand for the resignation of Secretary Mellon, who, as head of the treasury, is in charge of the enforcement agencies in that department. A similar demand was made last week by Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska.

HUNTER CARRIED LIQUOR

YREKA, Calif., Jan. 1. (AP)—Prohibition agents tugged temporarily from their tasks of keeping this city dry, and arrested George Elmer, duck hunter from San Francisco, when they found liquor in his car. Elmer paid a \$300 fine and was again taken into custody by the federal for further investigation.

SIDE GLANCES

By George Clark



"First time I ever noticed how much she's showing her age."

Minister Passes To New Life As New Year Dawns

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 1. (AP)—Thirty-five years ago when the Rev. S. C. Carnes was just a young minister, he preached his first New Year's sermon in southern California.

Last night the 69-year-old man of God stood before the altar in University Methodist church and reviewed his years of service in the southland—expressing thanks that once again he could talk to his people as an old year gave way to a new one filled with hope and promise.

With his head bowed in a new one filled with hope the hands of a wall-clock moved silently on toward the hour of midnight.

"Our father, we think—" The clock tolled its knell to the departing year—its welcome to the new—and the Rev. Carnes, his arms stretched heavenward, crumpled to the pulpit floor—dead.

Heart attack, physicians said.

Spanish Political Circles in Turmoil

MADRID, Jan. 1. (AP)—Political circles today seethed with rumors of various imports, chief among which was that General Primo De Rivera, Spanish dictator, had presented his own and his cabinet's resignation to King Alfonso.

It was said he would permit the king to name a man to form a new government. Persons close to the premier, however, denied that this was the case, and said he had only submitted a plan for gradual political transformation of the government. This, it was said, would not be completed for some time.

King Alfonso himself presided over a cabinet meeting yesterday at the royal palace. The ministers would not say what took place.

MADE QUICK CHANGE

SAN JOSE, Calif., Jan. 1. (AP)—A blast shook the burning dwelling of R. R. Gilbert, and hurled a six-foot water tank 200 feet into the air. The tank plunged through the roof of a neighbor's house into the kitchen.

DIES IN BATHTUB

PORTLAND, Jan. 1. (AP)—Willard Johnson, 27, formerly of Buhl, Idaho, was found dead in the bathtub of his brother's home today. He apparently had been stricken by a heart attack.

BEND BANKS MERGE

BEND, Ore., Jan. 1. (AP)—Purchase of the Central Oregon bank by the Lumbermen's National bank, both of Bend, was announced today by C. L. Isted, president of the Lumbermen's, and G. S. Hinsdale, president of the Pacific Bancorporation, owner of the Central Oregon. The institutions will be merged January 2 and will combine resources totaling more than \$2,000,000.

PROMINENT MATRON WEDS.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 1. (AP)—Mrs. Nina Gatens, widow of Judge William N. Gatens, last night became the bride of Curtis Edson Van Bergen, connected with a Portland bond house, in a surprise ceremony at the home of the Rev. Oswald W. Taylor, rector of Grace Methodist Episcopal church. No inkling of the ceremony had reached friends.

BLOW TORCH EXPLODES

BROWNSVILLE, Ore., Jan. 1. (AP)—Three men were burned, one severely, when a blow torch exploded in a dye house of a woolen mill here. R. N. Matlock suffered serious burns about the head and face and Ross Hughes and Charles Marnoff also were burned. Fire, which followed the explosion, caused some damage to the dye house.

MILL TOWN TO BURY ITS DEAD

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claring, "my child is not there." Others made mistaken identification and in at least three cases where identification was thought to have been made the sorrowful parents returned home to find their youngsters awaiting them there. Safe and well.

Panic Caused Deaths

Doctors who spent hours inspecting the theatre and tending the 80 or more who were injured in the panic believed that if the children had stayed quietly in their places when the fire alarm was given not a single life would have been lost. They said none of the deaths were due to gas poisoning.

Virtually the deaths were due to suffocation from being buried beneath the struggling mass of their fellows, who pressed in hundreds over those who fell first until there was a barrier of little bodies at the portals as much as six deep.

Firemen Say Gas Spread

Others did not share this view. These included some firemen, one of whom said he had been affected seriously by the fumes which escaped from illuminating gas fixtures with which the building was equipped for emergency lighting. Several gas fixtures were torn away as if the children had clutched them in their struggles. An inquiry probably will shed light on the point.

Fire Small Matter

It was certain that the fire itself was a relatively small matter. The cinema operator rushed the roll of burning film, which caught in an unexplained manner to the open, probably thus preventing a holocaust. But the sight of the flames licking the air from the operating room chilled the hearts of the youngsters watching the holiday film, and started the panic which ended fatally for so many.

Most of the 80 injured were said to be suffering only from shock and were expected to go to their homes today. Many left the hospitals last night.

RAINFALL DEFICIENT

PORTLAND, Jan. 1. (AP)—The weather bureau said 1929 was the driest in the history of the bureau. Total precipitation was 26.10 inches, 15.52 inches below normal.

COUNT PATTI'S DEATH SUDDEN

Brother of Pope Pius XI Was
Leader in Silk Manufacture
And Commerce in Italy

ROME, Jan. 1. (AP)—Pope Pius XI today mourned his brother, Count Fermo Ratti, who died suddenly last night after a two days illness.

Immediately after hearing of the death Monsignor Venino, Caccia Dominione, and Castiglione went to the Vatican to express their sympathy.

The Countess and their son were with Count Ratti when he died.

The Pontiff early this morning celebrated mass for the repose of his brother's soul, remaining in his private chapel for a long time thereafter absorbed in prayer. Persons close to him denied he would go into Rome to venerate his brother's body.

The funeral will be held Friday at the church of Santa Maria Degli Angeli, the Paris priest Monsignor Giovannelli officiating. The body will be taken to Desio for interment in the family plot.

Count Fermo was born at Desio in 1854 three years prior to the Pontiff. With his brother Edoardo, he engaged in silk commerce and manufacture, only recently retiring.

He leaves his widow, the Countess Ernestina, a son Francesco, who is an engineer, and a daughter who is the Marchioness Persichetti Ugolini, wife of the Counselor at the Nicaraguan

legation at the Holy See, and whose wedding the Pope himself performed.

Eielson's Sister Says He'll Return

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 1. (AP)—Miss Adeline Eielson, sister of Carl Ben Eielson, American aviator who has been lost in the Arctic region about seven weeks, and a teacher at Wenatchee, Wash., expressed confidence today that her brother would be found.

Miss Eielson, here visiting relatives over the holidays, said her brother told her before he left for the north not to worry if she did not hear from him for several months.

"I am waiting anxiously for his return because I wish to hear about his experiences," she remarked.

Among the famous inventions of the Chinese are the following: the compass, printing, lithography, suspension bridges and gunpowder.

Corrections To Errorgrams

(1) Furthermore, in the conversation of the father, is spelled incorrectly. (2) The word "leave," in the same man's talk, should be leaf. (3) There are two buttons on one of the coat sleeves of the father and three on the other. (4) One corner is missing from the blotter on the desk. (5) The scrambled word is calendar.

The Season's Greetings

We see good things ahead—hearts full of kindness, pockets full of money. Yes, we think 1930 is going to be a pretty good year.

Happy
New
Year

HOUSTON'S SHOE STORE
and
HOUSTON'S BEAUTY SHOP

Will They Be Happy



IN a few days Judith Cameron and Arthur Knight will be married. She is a stenographer. He is her employer. She is a young girl. He is middle-aged, a widower with two children.

But they love each other—or at least they think they do. And so they are going to be married.

Most love stories end when the wedding bells ring, but marriage is just the beginning of "RASH ROMANCE." And it is the beginning of some difficult problems for husband and wife.

Will these two make a go of it? Will they be happy? Read "RASH ROMANCE," the fascinating new serial by Laura Lou Brookman, and learn how a clever young author deals with some very interesting questions.

It Begins Thursday in The Evening Herald