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The Gangs Break Loose

APPARENTLY that peace pact which the Chicago gangs fixed up a month or so ago didn't have enough teeth in it. Maybe it failed because underworld psychology isn't quite ready for a super-state yet, and maybe the boys naturally didn't take it seriously; at any rate, the machine guns are swinging again, and the casualty list is resuming the proportions of the good old days.

So ends Chicago's breathing space, amid a clatter of fire-arms. Dead bodies are being found beside lonely roads once more, and firing squads are on the prowl again; the police are finding "known gangsters" immersed in their own gore, and this, that or the other gang is getting the credit, or otherwise, for this, that or the other murder.

All in all, the city at the foot of Lake Michigan seems to have slipped back to normal; and people who like to be driven to alarm by these violent outbursts on the part of our urban civilization have at hand the material for a new fit of the heebie-jeebies.

We're pretty well used to our big-city gangs now, and they don't worry or shock us as they used to; nevertheless, there's one bit of foggy thinking that these killings usually bring out, and we might as well take the time to get straight on it.

This particular bit of irrationality is a reflection that generally runs something like this; after all, it is only the gangsters that get killed. Each of these outbursts simply removes from circulation a citizen whom we can very well do without. Why get worried? Isn't it, in the long run, to society's interest to have these yeggs put one another out of the way?

On the surface, that looks reasonable. But it isn't the whole story.

Every gangland killing simply entrenches the gangs more firmly in power. Every time one group of cut-throats machine guns a rival group, it merely convinces every member of the underworld that he and his kind are beyond the reach of organized society as represented by the police and the courts. Every underworld murder establishes the chiefs of gangland, more securely than before, and a law unto themselves.

For those reasons it is impossible for society to derive any satisfaction out of this string of murders.

These killings are nothing but the gangsters' way of making sure that they can continue to prey on society unmolested. There is a new recruit to take the place of every hoodlum that gets bumped off. When we try to tell ourselves that we needn't be alarmed because one more beer-runner has been shot to death we are just kidding ourselves—in a very dangerous way.

It wasn't so original for the Chattanooga team in the Southern League to take on 12 pairs of canaries as club mascots. Since the beginning of baseball the best of teams have been given the bird.

Rudy Vallee reviewed a company of New York's militia the other day. And it may be good foresight to make friends with those boys; you never can tell when a radio fan, fed up with crooning, may take a notion to call out the national guard.

Now that ordinary tallow candles have been successfully fired from guns in army tests, you may expect Eskimos to go in for the rackets.

Then there was the Chicago gangster who became suspicious of the doctor who declared his baby's ailment was due to rickets.

Scientists say that 60,000,000 years ago the New York climate resembled that of Florida today. And with Al Capone prone to bask in the warmer climes perhaps New York is grateful for the change.

EDITORIALS FROM OVER THE NATION

THE COST OF HIGH AIR

Tolson Blade: Just as skilled workmen set the topmost stones on the tower of the twenty-five story Ohio Bank building in Toledo, it is announced that a 195-story building is planned in New York. It will be almost twice as high as the 555-foot Washington monument. In a city of buildings already higher than the tower of Babel, it will stand out like Gulliver in pygmy land.

Despite the periodically published expert opinions of engineers that commercial structures in excess of twenty or thirty or forty or fifty stories cannot prove profitable, buildings go higher and higher and the sky is the limit notwithstanding that millions must be spent at the outset for atmosphere only. The builder of one metropolitan structure which covers 15,000 square feet of ground space at the foundation, bought 20,000 square feet

at high price. He left 5,000 square feet vacant in order that his forty-five-story tower might have light and air without which it would be comparatively valueless.

Taking into account the vacant ground space at the base and the setbacks of upper stories, sharks at mathematics figure that each of 2,800,000 cubic feet of air and light space costs 89 cents. This very large amount must be included in the sum total of the cost of the buildings and tenants will be expected eventually to pay for it.

"Free as the air you breathe" doesn't mean much in the skyscraper canyons.

PORTLAND—Jose Ayson Morales, 21, charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon was arrested following the stabbing of Benny Ruiz, 23. Ruiz's condition is considered critical.

DAILY LETTER ON AFFAIRS AT U. S. CAPITAL

Sheppard-Towner Maternity and Infancy Act Seems in Danger of Staying Dead—Congress and White House Can't Seem to Agree on Its Revision, Despite Agreement on Principle.

BY RODNEY DUTCHER
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON, June 11.—The Sheppard-Towner Maternity and Infancy Act, a piece of legislation which always seemed to interest the women of the country more than any other, is likely to stay dead indefinitely as the result of a misunderstanding or something between Congress and the White House.

That is the law under which the government appropriated more than a million dollars a year to co-operate with the states in welfare and hygiene work for mothers and babies, under the administration of the Children's Bureau. The act ran for seven years and everyone seemed to agree that the work was a great success, striking at the mother and infant mortality rates, but it stopped on July 1 of last year when Congress failed to appropriate the money to keep it going.

Not Getting Anywhere—Women's organizations believed it was fine business to have a "child welfare president" like Mr. Hoover. Now some of their officers are complaining privately that the president has taken such an active interest in the problem that things are getting all balled up without any progress.

After he had announced his White House Conference on Child Health and Child Protection the word went to Capitol Hill that the president didn't want any action on the Sheppard-Towner measure before the conference made a report, which would take a year or more.

Nevertheless, in his message to the regular session of Congress Mr. Hoover declared himself in favor of continuing the Sheppard-Towner Act under the Children's Bureau for a limited period of years and Congressman Cooper of Ohio and Senator Jones of Washington introduced bills which would provide money to start the thing going again.

But Cooper says Mr. Hoover made subsequent demands concerning the legislation and he introduced a series of amendments with the presidential ideas. This bill would transfer maternity and infant hygiene work to the U. S. Public Health Service. The women complain, however, that it gives no assurance that real practical work would be carried on.

The Public Health Service has never done any maternity work, whereas the Children's Bureau has been engaged in it for many years. And the theory of those who will have none of the second Cooper bill is that in order to reduce the baby death rate the mothers who need education must receive it.

During the flood relief work the president became very fond of the county health units and his idea lately has been that these should be used in future administration of the Sheppard-Towner Act. There are, however, good reasons to believe that counties which have no such units, Minnesota, for instance, is said to have but one county health unit.

Under the second Cooper bill the Children's Bureau would have money to carry on welfare work, but the nature of such work is not defined.

Besides representatives of women's organizations, those of organized labor and the American Farm Bureau Federation have joined in opposing the bill which was inspired by the president. They are all supporting a bill recently submitted by Congressman Goodwin of Minnesota, which would simply re-enact the Sheppard-Towner law and provide some money.

Delay in the House—Leaders in the House of Representatives have been consistently complaining that the House had nothing to do. The baby measure is one of many various welfare or reform measures which it has held up. The committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, of which Congressman Parker of New York is chairman, got credit for holding up the Cooper and Goodwin bills. In the Senate the Jones bill was reported favorably without amendment and has been on the Senate calendar since April 9. Either house could pass a bill in a day or two, as there is little opposition.

Mr. Hoover has been telling visitors that there would have to be a compromise, but that some kind of a maternity bill must come out of this session. It appears that he doesn't want anything but the second Cooper bill. Meanwhile the session draws to its close and it looks as if the mothers and babies were again going to be out of luck.

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Timely Quotations From People in the Public Eye

"We shall soon have a world-wide exchange of programs, so that the talent, the culture, the mental outlook, and the nationalism of all leading countries will be known throughout the world."—General James G. Harbord, president, the Radio Corporation of America.

"There is nothing worse than a satisfied customer. A world full of satisfied customers would kill the world sooner than a doornail."—C. F. Kettering, general manager of General Motors Research Corporation.

"No one in America will deny that many of the beautiful young gentlemen and ladies of Hollywood should never have been called upon to talk."—Robert Benchley, author and dramatic critic.

"It may be wonderful that a machine can do the work of a thousand men, but if you are one of the thousand and displaced and thrown on the crowded employment market, with dank poverty facing you, then your admiration of the scientific wonder is considerably diminished."—John Gibson, English magazine writer.

Not Hard, Not Easy

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EIGHTEEN YEARS AGO IN KLAMATH

Word was received last night by Prosecuting Attorney D. V. Koykendall from Lakewood, that L. B. Jones, editor of the Chequamegon Press of Paisley was shot and instantly killed yesterday morning by Frank Cannon, a rancher.

The trouble between the two men had nothing to do with any articles printed in Jones' paper, but was woven about some domestic affairs. Cannon is a married man, and the report says that when he came home yesterday morning he met Jones upon the porch of his home, and thereupon instantly killed him. Both men are well known to many people in Klamath Falls.

The Herald was called up today and asked the proper spelling of that pesky little insect known scientifically as the Sarcophaga, or Pulex penetrans, but more familiarly referred to as the "Chigger". Our friend, Noah Webster, gives great latitude in this word, which is a vulgarism, and any of the following are allowed, so take your choice: Chiggo, chigge, chigger, chigee, Chique, chiggeror jigger, and there you are.

The rumor has been afloat for some time that the Southern Pacific company is planning to electrify its railroad lines throughout northern California and Oregon, and information has been received from apparently reliable sources that this is more than a rumor, and that upon the completion of the two big power plants on the Klamath river, all of the Southern Pacific lines in this section will be operated by electricity.

Bob Sloan left this afternoon for the Jenny Creek country on a bear hunt.

Foundered Ship Towed Into Port

ASTORIA, Ore., June 11, (AP)—The steam schooner Multnomah, grounded by high seas as it was en route to San Francisco from Puget Sound, was towed into the Columbia river here yesterday by the steamship Cellio.

The forepeak deck load of lumber and the after-house were the only parts visible of the ship, which was on its last trip. The owners having decided to break it up at San Francisco.

The skeleton crew aboard the craft was taken on the Cellio when the Multnomah was found foundering about by the rescuer.

ERRORGRAMS



There are at least four mistakes in the above picture. They may pertain to grammar, history, etiquette, drawing or whatnot. See if you can find them. Then look at the scrambled word below and unscramble it, by switching the letters around. Grade yourself 20 for each of the mistakes you find, and 20 for the word if you unscramble it. Turn to the back page and we'll explain the mistakes and tell you the word. Then you can see how near a hundred you hit.

Daily CAPITOL News Letter

Book Prices Fall Libraries Popular Reading Years Leaders Listed

By JAMES ROWE
United Press Staff Correspondent
SALEM, Ore., June 11, (UP)—While bookmakers are slipping prices in order to sell more books, Oregon's librarians are scratching their heads to discover a means of keeping up with the ever-increasing demand for popular volumes.

Even though the bookmakers complain that talking movies and radios are making disastrous inroads on their book sales, that situation doesn't affect the free loans offered by the county libraries. Every year finds an increasing number of readers, according to figures just released by the state librarian.

Klamath Buys 1,643 Books
KLAMATH COUNTY'S library enriched its shelves with 1,643 new volumes during 1929, figures show. Approximately \$303 was spent purchasing new volumes to give readers the most up-to-date and desirable reading.

DURING THE year, public funds given to the county library amounted to \$5,423. Some of this money will be kept on reserve or be used for repairs to books and for purchase of new volumes.

Helps Public Libraries
"THE EFFECT of the lower priced volume on the free lending libraries maintained by the state will be slight," said Miss M. G. Blair, state capitol librarian. "Lending libraries charging a daily rental fee for use of books will be suffering in the main, as well as the book clubs."

ONE GOOD effect the new low prices should have is the automatic increase in the libraries' buying power. Two books for the price of one will probably be the result of the cut, thus allowing the libraries to better serve the public by offering a larger selection and increased number of volumes, it was said.

"Serious" Books Popular
ALTHOUGH the western thrillers still retain widespread popularity, greatly increased interest in books of a serious tone is noted," Miss Blair disclosed. "The arrival of popularized versions of philosophy and other so-called 'heavy subjects' has been the means of a large increase in the circulation of this type of books."

BIOGRAPHIES also attain great popularity as a result of a new style of writing that lends a romantic touch to what some would call "dry" reading.

List Popular Books
AN EXCLUSIVE list of late books finding the greatest popularity among readers using the state libraries since January, 1929, was compiled by Miss Blair exclusively for the United Press. NOTABLE is the effect of international events, advertising and popular fancy on the reading public. Heading the list of those books in greatest demand is "All Quiet on the Western Front," by Remarque. Fourth is "Mother India," by Mayo. This latter book probably owes much of its popularity to the widespread interest in India's present unrest.

For Summer Reference
THE FOLLOWING list of 20

books with the larger demand might well be used as a reference for the summer's reading. All volumes can be obtained in public libraries. They are:
"All Quiet on the Western Front"—Remarque.
Nevada—Grey.
Wild Horse Mesa—Grey.
Mother India—Mayo.
Whiteoaks of Jalna—De La Roche.
Fighting Caravans—Grey.
A Lantern in Her Hand—Aldrich.
On to Oregon—Wittale.
New Worlds to Conquer—Halliburton.
Scarlet Sister Mary—Peterkin.
Circular Staircase—Rinehart.
The "Canary" Murder Case—Wright.
The Black Hunter—Curwood.
The Mysterious Rider—Grey.

The Mansions of Philosophy—Durant.
The Bishop Murder Case—Wright.
Improvement of Teaching—Freeland.
Henry the Eighth—Hackett.
The Cradle of the Deep—Lorrell.
Mind at Mischief—Sadler.
HELD FOR SLAYING
PORTLAND, Ore., June 11, (UP)—Edward Thompson, Portland, was held to the grand jury yesterday on a charge of second degree murder in connection with the death of Harry Nordstrom, taxicab driver.
Thompson is alleged to have struck Nordstrom with his fist.
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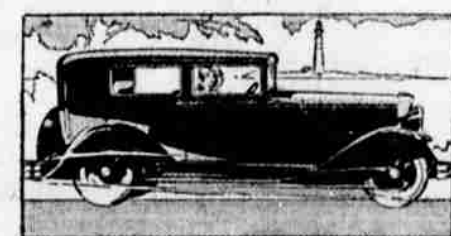
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