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RUTH JUDD SREAMS IN COURT

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS. JAMES STENHOUSE, an Ohio stone cutter, chloroformed his two-year-old son after being told that the child has an incurable brain disease.

Was this father insane? Not according to the standards of 25 centuries ago, for the people of ancient Sparta exposed weak and sickly infants on the mountain tops.

The weak, they reasoned, were a handicap to the strong, and so should be got rid of so that the strong might the more easily survive.

But Sparta, in spite of her elimination of the weak and her glorification of the strong, perished from the earth. So her theory, as an instrument of national policy, didn't work out.

What, from the humanitarian standpoint, is the right and the wrong of it?

From the standpoint of the individual himself, is it kinder to put hopelessly handicapped children out of the way in infancy, or to permit them to grow up and suffer whatever shortcomings may be the result of their handicapped condition?

This writer can't answer that question, and doubts if ANYBODY, at this stage of human development, can answer it with the unhesitating conviction that his answer is right.

Julius Rosenwald, starting as a poor boy, dies after a useful life, leaving an estate valued at \$20,000,000 in spite of the fact that in his later years he spent vast sums on benefactions of various sorts.

His will provides that of the twenty millions eleven millions shall go to carry on the benefactions. (Continued on Page Six)

COMMITTEE TOLD BARS ON LINERS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21. (AP)—Chairman O'Connor of the United States shipping board, today told a house committee under questioning that American lines operate bars outside the 12-mile limit.

O'Connor was testifying in the investigation of the house marine committee into the shipping board sale of the United States lines.

Representative Lehbach (R., N. J.) asked: "Isn't it true that all American steamship lines except the Dollar steamship run bars, once the ships are outside the limit, and isn't it a fact that it is foolish to keep it secret—that the lines are thereby losing trade?"

"I believe that is so," said O'Connor. "I have heard men say, 'I am going on a foreign ship where I can buy liquor.'"

O'Connor said the federal government notified on his cell wall the prohibition law \$3,000 in liquor supplies in the 1929 transfer of the United States line to the Paul W. Chapman company.

Crowley Looks at Picture of Chair on Eve of Execution

OSSING, N. Y., Jan. 21. (AP)—Francis Crowley, scrawny youth who lived all his 20 years in New York and can scarcely write his name, cut out the last of his paper toys today and stole a picture of the chair on which he was to die in the chair at Sing Sing tonight for murdering a policeman.

"I didn't want to forget it," said Crowley, explaining with a leer why he peeped up the picture of the chair when they put him in the death house. Experts tried to find in his past the reasons why the twisted youth raged through the series of crimes that brought him the nick-name "Two-gun."

Klamath Program is Bolstered; Highway Bond Issue Favored

Executive Committee Appointed To Aid in Financing Klamath's Program at Wednesday Night Meeting in Circuit Court Room.

More Than 100 Representative County Citizens Gathered; Work to Date Outlined by Various Leaders of City and County.

By MALCOLM EPLEY, Managing Editor, Herald and News. The gravity of Klamath county's unemployment relief problem was swept into the spotlight of public attention Wednesday night at a meeting of nearly 150 representative citizens, and before adjournment definite steps were taken looking toward development of an adequate program to meet the growing need. These steps were:

1. Appointment of an executive committee, with power to act in building up financial resources to support the program and to make recommendations to existing agencies as to the manner of distribution of benefits.

2. Strong endorsement of the issuance of another \$1,000,000 by the state highway commission for unemployment relief.

Committee Acts. Immediately after the general meeting, the executive committee went into session and dispatched to the state highway commission, meeting at Port, a resolution requesting endorsement of the new bond issue.

Members of the executive committee, who were appointed by the chairman, R. C. Groesbeck, are: J. A. Morrison, Jack Kimball and Archie Rice. The motion proposing the appointment of the committee, and the motion endorsing the highway bond issue, were passed unanimously by the gathering, which included representatives of city, county and federal officials, civic organizations, churches and schools.

Groups and interests actually represented at the meeting included: (Continued on Page Three)

RAILWAY HEADS GIVE STATISTICS

CHICAGO, Jan. 21. (AP)—The railway presidents came forward today with the "important statistics" demanded by union labor in support of the plea for acceptance of a 10 per cent wage reduction.

The presidents asserted that gross earnings of the railroads in 1931 were 33 per cent less than in 1929.

Their statement presented a mass of data on railway earnings and answered the labor proposals at the joint wage conference.

The brotherhood and union delegates Tuesday had made clear they would not accept the arguments of the carriers on the need for adequate investment return but they wanted a true picture of railway financial conditions and a statement of what was needed to meet fixed charges and maintain credit.

RECLAMATION BILL IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Jan. 21. (AP)—A Washington, D. C., dispatch to the Journal here today said authority for appropriations of \$100,000 for rehabilitation of the Stanfield irrigation project was introduced in the house today by Representative Butler.

who never married her. Shortly after birth he was taken to the baby farm of Mrs. Anna Crowley the lawyer said. Growing into adolescence with a mind retarded, he turned from school to tawdry dance places and shady resorts. His name was linked with a series of holdups. Then came an alarm for him in the killing of Virginia Brannan, Dime-a-Dance girl who was shot and tossed from an automobile into a Yonkers hedge.

U. S. FINANCE MEASURE IS NEAR PASSAGE

House and Senate Adopt Land Bank Measure Early Thursday.

First Reconstruction Bill Goes to Hoover for Signature.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21. (AP)—The senate today adopted the conference report on the \$125,000,000 federal land bank bill, completing congressional action.

The house had approved the measure earlier in the day and senate action sent it to the White House.

It is the first of President Hoover's emergency economic relief proposals to get through congress.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21. (AP)—Wholethearted cooperation for national economic recovery pushed the reconstruction finance corporation legislation in the verge of congressional enactment.

Carefully and speedily revised by expert members of the senate and house, this greatest of peacetime emergency measures returned to the two chambers for final approval, a consummation expected tomorrow.

MEIER TO LEAVE FOR WASHINGTON

SALEM, Jan. 21. (AP)—Decision of Governor Julius Meier concerning construction of the \$25,000 vault at the capitol will be withheld until after his return from Washington, the executive announced to the Salem delegation last night.

HEX DOCTOR'S HAND IS SEEN IN MURDER

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 21. (AP)—The hand of a Pennsylvania "hex doctor" was seen by authorities today in the mysterious slaying of Norman B. Bechtel, Mennonite church worker. Weird symbols were found carved on Bechtel's forehead.

The man, found dying early yesterday on a vacant estate in the Germantown section, was a native of Boyertown, Pa., and spent his youth in a region where "the nexes" and other witchcraft cults have held sway.

Police were baffled in their search for the murderer. (Continued on Page Eight)

Three Killed in Headon Collision On Turner Road

SALEM, Jan. 21. (AP)—A head-on collision between a passenger car and a truck on the Turner-Marion highway near here last night killed two women and a man and seriously injured two others.

The dead: Mrs. Frank Fery, 45; Mrs. Henry Siegmund, 54; and Chris Giebler, 70, all of Stayton.

Henry Siegmund, 55, and Frank Fery were badly hurt. Their automobile attempted to pass another, reports said, and crashed into a truck operated by Irving Hodges. Mrs. Fery and Giebler died instantly.

Hoover Acts for Contract Workers

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21. (AP)—President Hoover moved today to keep contractors on government buildings from paying lower wages than other employers in the same community.

Winnie Ruth Judd Trial Opens In Phoenix



Amid scenes of confusion Winnie Ruth Judd, "Velvet Tigress," went on trial today for the murder of Mrs. Agnes Ann LeRoi, one of the victims of the "Phoenix Trunk Murder." Judge Howard Speakman was delayed in calling the trial by a battle of 500 would-be spectators for the 55 available seats in the courtroom. Photo shows: Ruth Judd at the counsel table with her attorneys. (Left to right) Ruth Judd, Joseph Zaverack, Paer Schenck, criminal attorney of Los Angeles, who heads the defense counsel, and Herman Lewkowitz.

HONOLULU AROUSED BY THIRD ASSAULT

Woman Is Attacked After Companion Beaten and Trussed.

HONOLULU, Jan. 21. (AP)—Another case of criminal assault upon a woman stirred Honolulu today when medical authorities, after investigating the story of Mrs. Toka Okazaki, 39, and making varying reports as to its accuracy, concluded she had been assaulted.

Public feeling, still smoldering over other recent attacks on women and the lynching of one suspected assaulter, was aroused once more at the story of Mrs. Okazaki, who said she identified a photograph of Daniel Lyman, escape convict, as her assailant.

Chauffeur Hit, Bound. Mrs. Okazaki said she went motoring last evening with Takeo Harimoto, driving toward the airport, which is six miles from the center of the city, in the direction of Pearl Harbor. They had passed near the entrance of the air field, when a shot was heard.

Harimoto said he looked out of the car and was stunned with a blow from a revolver. Recovering, he said, the gunman made him back the automobile about 50 feet, got out, and march to the nearby railroad tracks, to which he was bound with fishline.

Robbed, Assaulted. Mrs. Okazaki said the gunman (Continued on Page Eight)

DIRECT RELIEF IS BEFORE U. S. SENATE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21. (AP)—An appropriation of \$375,000,000 for direct federal relief for the unemployed was recommended to the senate today by one of its committees despite President Hoover's opposition.

The manufacturers committee voted 6 to 2 to report the Costigan-LaFollette bill authorizing \$125,000,000 for the present winter and \$250,000,000 for the next fiscal year.

The committee's action places squarely before the senate the proposal for direct appropriations from the treasury to aid the jobless.

Klamath Woman Stricken by Parrot Disease; Warning Out

A case of psittacosis, popularly known as parrot's disease, has been discovered and identified in Klamath Falls, and a warning was issued Thursday that all pet birds should be removed from the community.

Meier and Hoss Row Over 'Cell Escape', Secretary's Show

SALEM, Jan. 21. (AP)—The "cell escape" demonstration staged at the penitentiary yesterday resulted in an exchange of statements last night between Governor Julius L. Meier and Secretary of State Hal E. Hoss.

The demonstration resulted in two convicts making their escape through the new cell doors at the penitentiary within a few seconds when the locking mechanism of the locking device was on "neutral" position.

"I deplore the underhand method pursued to discredit the action of a majority of the board of control who approved the installation of the cell doors," Governor Meier said, in his statement referring to the demonstration, which was sponsored by Hoss.

Meier Says "Unfair". "The statement of Governor Meier regarding the prison demonstration is very unfair," Hoss countered, after reading press dispatches in Portland. He was in Portland to speak before the sheriff's convention in progress there.

The governor in his statement said in part: "The defect revealed at Hoss' demonstration was called to the attention of the members of the board of control last week, and while it is not a serious one, the possibility of a specially equipped prisoner operating under the eyes of the guards being a remote one, nevertheless King Brothers agreed to remedy it, and have a demonstration of how the individual cells can be independently operated."

Hoss Gives Version. Hoss from Portland replied: "The facts of the case are that the three members of the board of control visited the prison to inspect the new cell fronts last Wednesday. They started the inspection of the 160 cells at about 3:45 p. m., and were through at 4:15. This entire time was spent looking at one cell, and having a demonstration of how the individual cells can be independently operated." (Continued on Page Eight)

LAUSANNE MEET AGAIN POSTPONED

(By The Associated Press) Europe has reached another stage in the deadlock over reparations and war debts with the second postponement of the conference at Lausanne originally scheduled for Jan. 15, then deferred to Jan. 25.

Great Britain, which originally proposed the meeting and subsequently changed the date because of domestic political difficulties in France, announced the second postponement. The action (Continued on Page Eight)

Kidnaper's Auto Found At Denver Only Clue Left

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 21. (AP)—A discovery of a deserted automobile used by kidnapers of Benjamin J. Hower, held for \$50,000 cash or his life, gave police their first clue to develop today in Denver's only abduction for ransom in the history of the city.

An offer of \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the kidnapers was made by the city after the car was found. At the same time, Mrs. Hower, the aged wife of the victim, appealed through the press to the abductors not to kill her husband because police were called in violation of the men's instructions.

STATE DOCTOR IS DENOUNCED DURING SCENE

Trial of Woman Charged With Trunk Murders Opens in Phoenix.

Many Witnesses Take Stand for State in Mystery Case.

By RALPH O. BROWN, COURT HOUSE, PHOENIX, ARIZ. (AP)—Winnie Ruth Judd leaped from her chair today in the Maricopa county superior court room to denounce Dr. Joseph Catton of San Francisco, prosecution alienist.

"You get out of here," she cried, rising with tensed muscles and flashing eyes, as the psychiatrist approached her chair during a brief court recess.

Orders Doctor Out. "Make him get out! Make him get out!" she appealed to her attorneys.

"I won't have you near me!" she swung again to Catton. "You talked about me! Get out!"

Dr. Catton, non-plussed and amazed, backed away, then turned and left the room as defense counsel, the matron and Dr. Geo. W. Stephens, defense alienist, attempted to quiet Mrs. Judd.

Returns to Chair. The defendant finally was persuaded to return to her chair, muttering, "I won't have him near me. He talks about me. He's acted like a little boy!"

She sat, nervously clasping and unclasping her hands, glaring at the doorway through which Catton had disappeared.

Mrs. Judd is on trial for the slaying of Agnes Ann LeRoi and Hedvig Samuels, her friends, here last October, and sending their bodies to Los Angeles in trunks. The taking of testimony started the day following selection of a jury.

Crowds Pack Corridor. Scores of milling spectators stormed the stairway of the court house today in an effort to reach the court room to hear the first day of testimony.

One woman, jammed in the packed corridor outside the court room, fainted twice before deputy sheriff could force her way to her side.

J. J. Halloran, wealthy Phoenix lumberman, whose name early was brought into the case as that (Continued on Page Eight)

WOLF TRIAL WILL START ON MONDAY

The case of the state versus R. C. Dobrusky, scheduled to start next week, has been postponed indefinitely because of the illness of Sam Jettmore, defense attorney. Dobrusky, former cashier of the Main state bank, is charged with forgery by endorsement.

In lieu of the Dobrusky case, the trial of George Wolf will start in Circuit Judge Duncan's court next Monday. Wolf is charged with robbery while armed with a dangerous weapon, in connection with the Bonanza bank robbery.

HIGHWAY WORK IS SOUGHT BY GROUP

Oregon City-Salem and Siskiyou, Plans Up; Seek Program.

WOODBURN, Jan. 21. (AP)—Immediate reconstruction of the Oregon City-Salem section of the Pacific highway, and request that the highway commission consider widening the bottle-neck in the Siskiyou from Ashland to the California line were endorsed by the executive committee of the Oregon Pacific Highway association here last night.

The committee met in a dinner session prior to the mass meeting held at the army tower.

Five-Year Plan Asked. The committee also went on record as favoring a five-year construction and modernization program in the state. It went on (Continued on Page Eight)

Posses To Search Dead Indian Area For Lost Couple

MEDFORD, Ore., Jan. 21. (AP)—Woodmen, deputy sheriffs and state police were searching the Dead Indian country today for some sign of Edwin C. Brown, 56, and his wife, unreported since they left a cabin of a neighbor a week ago in a blinding snow storm. Scout hope is held that they can be alive in the rugged, cold country, which for days has been storm-beaten.

Vernon Hooper, mountain mail carrier, guided the party of searchers, which left here Wednesday afternoon.

LATE NEWS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21. (AP)—The senate today refused to go on record as welcoming state referenda on prohibition repeal and modification.

INKPEN, Berkshire, Eng., Jan. 21. (AP)—Lytton Etrachey, one of the most prominent biographers of his time, died here today after an illness of many weeks. He was 82 years old. He is author of a number of biographies, including "Queen Victoria" and "Elizabeth and Essex."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21. (AP)—Secretary Doak today announced transfers in the immigration service amounting to a virtual reorganization of the field service.

SALEM, Jan. 21. (AP)—Governor Julius L. Meier left for Portland this afternoon, the last member of the board of control to absent himself from the state capital for over the week-end. The governor expected to return here Monday for a few hours prior to leaving for Washington on Tuesday.