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Depression Hits Gangland

JAPANESE GIVE ANOTHER ULTIMATUM

Ski Carnival Worth While

New Generation Is Hit Hard

"The law is after them, their rivals are becoming more careless with their bullets, and the depression has them by the heels," reads a current dispatch from New York in describing the plight of American gangsters.

The shooting of Vincent Coll in a New York drug store the other day, the recent Sing-Sing execution of Two-Gun Crowley, and the slaying of Jack Diamond, mark the most important farewells in the gang world in recent months.

Coll, Crowley and Diamond were young men. They belonged to what is known as the new generation of gangland. They don't belong anywhere any more. The courts and the guns of their enemies saw to that, just as they have been making it hot for the older gangmen.

Al Capone awaits the beginning of his long stretch at Leavenworth, and his brother, Ralph, is an inmate at McNeil's island. Enemy guns and the courts have been taking a heavy toll of others of the older generation, leaving only Bugs Moran as the most active of the one-time "successful men" of the gangs.

Our hearts are not saddened by this tale of woe. If the depression has had anything to do with it, we voice our appreciation.

Spaulding Watched For New Ambitions

No man emerged from the recent state highway ruckus with as much newspaper publicity as did ex-Commissioner Spaulding of Marion county. It is true enough that not all of Mr. Spaulding's publicity was favorable. He was given the works pretty generally by editorial writers over the state. But his name was in the papers just the same, and out of his fling at the state highway post he has become known throughout the state.

Consequently, conjecture arises as to what he intends to do, if and when he has a hankering for more public office-holding. Dennis Landry, the Salem correspondent of the United Press, discusses this situation. He says that if Spaulding is on good terms with Governor Meier, in spite of the highway mess, it seems likely he will try to unseat Secretary of State Hal E. Hoss, the lone-wolf member of the Meier-controlled state board of control. Landry says some think Spaulding may run for U. S. senator or state treasurer, or for governor two years hence.

We have a hunch Spaulding is thinking about public office. He may or may not have his sights trained as high as the United Press correspondent indicates. He was appointed by the governor as state senator before the highway post was taken. His next move will be watched with interest.

Highway Beautiful At This Time

No small part of the enjoyment of those who go to the Crater Lake ski carnival Sunday will be found in the trip itself from Klamath Falls to Fort Klamath. Always interesting, the drive along the lake and through the level fields is unusually beautiful with winter in full sway.

The lake just now is a wide expanse of ice. Thereon is a coating of blown and billowed snow. Frequently, there are expanses where the ice has been blown clear of its white coating, while along the edges are occasional spaces of open water, dotted with swimming birds.

On the far side of the lake are the familiar rugged ridges and peaks of the Cascades, but the snow, only seen on the high peaks in the summer touring season, now lies over everything, and where the ridges level off the trees form dark, heavy lines.

When the drive leaves the lake, one passes through snow-covered farm and grazing lands and occasional wooded areas, which constitute, winter or summer, some of the most beautiful country of the Klamath Empire.

Of course, the ski carnival itself will be well worth attending. But if it were not even held, a trip to Fort Klamath at this time of year should not be missed.

Forbearance On Part Of Powers Stands Out

The Japanese, says a dispatch, have decided to give the Chinese one more chance to withdraw twenty miles from Shanghai. Unless the Chinese see fit to do as ordered, the Japanese will open up their long awaited "big push."

The Chinese undoubtedly are duly appreciative of the opportunity to give up another twenty miles of their own territory. Even so, in view of their recent successes in resisting the Nipponese attacks, more than likely they will not take advantage of the offer. They might even go so far as to suggest that the Japanese themselves do a little withdrawing, and return to their own country.

The impertinence of the Japanese stands out boldly in contrast to the remarkable forbearance of the powers and of the League of Nations in this situation.

A good many Democrats seem to think a certain Texas congressman ought to be able to garner a lot of votes this year.

Believe it or not, spring is coming.

SIDE GLANCES By George Clark



"Hello, Dexter—Junior is acting up again and I want you to give him a talking to."

Manhattan Mirrors

By The United Press NEW YORK, Feb. 17, (UP)—All was bustle and hurry last night at the foot of Thirtieth street, where the Great Conard liner Bernagaria was tied up. She was to sail at midnight, a day late.

Into the jam of scurrying wagons and trucks came a black hearse. A long mahogany box, covered a casket, was carried aboard the big ship and placed in a corner of the baggage room. The black hearse hustled off the pier, to get out of the way of the rush.

In the mahogany box was the casket containing the body of Edgar Wallace, the man whose pen held millions spellbound. He is being taken back to his native England. He died suddenly of pneumonia in Hollywood a week ago.

Edislaw Motyka, Stanislaw Macusacz, Bronislaw Czech, And-cze Macusacz and Stanislaw Skupien, are lads with stout legs. They are members of Poland's skilled team and they decided, while in Manhattan today, that they needed exercise.

So they all went over to the Empire State building and walked upstairs—walked up 102 stories to the very peak. It took them 21 minutes and they didn't even stop at the 32nd floor to say hello to the proprietor, Alfred E. Smith. They were content to ride down.

A young man who operates an elevator in one of midtown Manhattan's nobbiest skyscrapers, turned to a passenger in his car today and demanded:

"Say, what's goin' on there in Russia? What is it, a sorta republic?"

"Well, in a way," answered the passenger. "What they want over there is to have everybody have the same amount of money. They don't want anyone to have more dough than the next guy."

"Yeah!" exclaimed the young pilot. "And when everybody gets a lotta money, who's gonna do the work?"

"I expect," returned the passenger, "they figure there won't be any work to do."

"Maybe that's all right," decided the operator, "but answer me this: Who the hell's gonna carry out the garbage?"

"An Overland Trip to the Panama-Pacific Exposition," is the slogan of the "115 Club" being talked by members of the local Elks lodge. The members plan to make the journey from Klamath Falls to San Francisco, a distance of 400 miles, in Western fashion, horseback for the active fellows and coaches for the older chaps.

The White Pelican garage Tuesday unloaded four new Studebaker cars. The new models are the prettiest yet turned out by the Studebaker people.

As was once said with reference to the world war, the present depression might well be characterized as a major phenomenon in the life of the American republic. —Congressman John E. Rankin of Mississippi.

Some People Say—

Every dollar returned from hoarding to circulation means putting men to work.—President Hoover.

The system of war reparations was foolish, but I am not yet ready to believe that Germany cannot pay.—Winston Churchill, British statesman.

In America I am not a legend. I am a god. They worship me.—George Bernard Shaw, British writer.

Teachers are to blame for the incorrect speech of America's children.—Otis Skinner, actor.

In the northwest province of India the "Red Shirts" have turned in their shirts.—Sir Samuel Hoare of England.

Some Wise Cracks

When a husband and wife have a joint checking account, it's easy to guess who is running the joint.

Now that the Olympic games are coming up, it might be well to explain that the pole vault is not in a bank at Warsaw.

The undertaker in London who advertised free funerals for suicides went broke. He forgot about London's large Scotch population.

Chinese residents of Shanghai probably think Japanese aims are right at them.

Would you say that the Nebraska barber who traded a haircut for a pig was getting hogwash?

President Hoover has lost 27 pounds since he took office. That is nothing. We know several men who have lost a million since they have lost more than a million since then.

It will almost be worth the price of a trip to London to see Andy Mellon in knee pants.

Masquerade Dance Given By Society

MALIN, Ore.—The Bohemian Sokal society gave its annual masquerade dance, Saturday, February 6. Proceeds from the affair were placed in the Bohemian Library fund.

The prizes for the evening were awarded Lillian Spolek, Della Brothnek, Mrs. Anton Cacka, Mrs. Harry Martin, Miss Howard, Pauline Suty, Doris McCord, Mrs. Nebekinski, Mrs. J. Kandra, Jr., Bill Graham, Mildred Suty, John Rose, Paul Chumietep, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Howard and Amel Potocsek. The judges were Bill Halossek, Charlie Withers, Mr. Balla and Mrs. Reber.

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Ousted Spaulding Blames Meier for Blocking Road Program Urged for State

SALEM, Feb. 17, (UP)—"If the people want an explanation they will inquire of him (Governor Meier)," Charles K. Spaulding said in a statement issued today regarding his removal from the state highway commission. "The responsibility for blocking me in this work (referring to his efforts to place the highway commission on a business basis) rests squarely upon the governor. I am unable to give any explanation."

Spaulding issued his prepared statement, he said, in response to hundreds of letters and telegrams received from granges, taxpayers and prominent citizens endorsing his official conduct as a member of the commission. He gave these same reasons to Governor Meier last Saturday when he refused to resign from the commission, as he said the governor suggested he do. Spaulding added that his conduct had been approved by Governor Meier in personal conversation.

Spaulding's statement in part follows: "Governor Meier appointed me state senator and, later, highway commissioner, without any solicitation upon my part. Both appointments took me by surprise, as they were totally unexpected. "I found that the meetings of the highway commission averaged about seven hours a month, and at those meetings the commissioners authorized the expenditures of as much as \$18,000,000 a year.

No Business Order "I also found that no order of business had been adopted, and that no date had even been set for the election of chairman or secretary. Investigation showed that the business management imposed by law upon the commissioners was left entirely to the discretion of the engineer. I also found that the commission was run by the chairman. I found a wanton waste and misapplication of public funds unparalleled in the history of Oregon.

"The engineers' salaries were disproportionate with the service rendered, and the number of engineers employed exceeded those necessary by at least 25 per cent.

Cooperation Fails "I found Port Orford cedar bought at \$55 per thousand for weather boarding on machine shops, hundreds of shovels never used and burned, picks that could have been re-pointed at the expense of 25 cents each, thrown away, trucks bought without bids and engineers' expense accounts

"I tried to get meetings of the commission to take up these matters and failed to get any co-operation from the other members. "Governor Meier knew all about these matters and approved of all I did, not only in trying to cut expenses, but in exposing these things to the people. He urged me to go ahead with the work I was doing in the way I was doing it, and told Mr. Hanley and Mr. Ainsworth, in my presence, that I had a right to make such speeches, that Ray Kline, state engineer, was not worth \$200 a month, and when they left the room he advised me to continue the fight.

"Governor Meier announced that he and the other two commissioners had agreed upon a 20 per cent reduction. A reduction in that amount could easily be made in overhead alone. "The responsibility for blocking me in this work rests squarely upon the governor. If the people want an explanation they will inquire of him. I am unable to give any."

Weather Report Of Yonna Station

MILDEBRAND, Ore.—The weather report for the month of January at the Yonna station shows:

Precipitation, 1.85 inches of moisture out of a total snowfall of 27 1/2 inches; the greatest precipitation for 24 hours was .50 of an inch, January 16; there

were 18 days in the month upon which .01 or more precipitation was recorded; 12 clear days, 6 partly cloudy and 13 entirely cloudy.

Mrs. Wabbles Is Hostess to Club

MT. LAKE—The Friendly Bridge club met at the home of Mrs. Otto Wabbles, Thursday, February 11. High score was received by Mrs. Robertson, of Tule Lake, and Mrs. Johnson, also of Tule Lake, received consolation.

Those present were: Neandames Ira Orem, Anderson, Jay Fairclough, F. Hillyard, Mary Cheyne, Robertson, Johnson, P. Triplett, S. E. Enman, Jess Johnson, C. Loper, Henry Semon, J. R. Elliott, W. G. Bell, Glen Dehlinger and the hostess.

MT. LAKE NEWS

MT. LAKE—Mr. and Mrs. Verne McClellan and little daughter, Elaine and Patricia, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson, left the first of the week for a trip to Eugene and Portland. Dave McClellan, of Bend, will be in charge of the store during their absence.

Mrs. John Kantz is seriously ill at her home on the Merrill road.

Little Harry Lawrence Orem has returned to school after a couple of weeks absence.

Miss Wilma Dawson and Mrs. Scott Thompson called on Mrs. Fairclough the first of the week.

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Health Talks

The child that stammers and stutters may be so seriously concerned by its disability as to become melancholic, or even to contemplate suicide. The reports of patients who stutter emphasize again and again the fact that mental conflicts of one type or another are frequently the basis for the difficulty.

There are certainly 500,000 or more stutters in the United States, and the attention given to the subject is well worth while. If stuttering is essentially an emotional problem, the large portion of the study should be made from that point of view.

Of course, parents should consult a physician as soon as stuttering becomes a habit.

Many observers are convinced, however, that actual organic changes in the tissues of the nervous system may be involved in some cases. Apparently therefore the child that stutters should be studied from both points of view, so that every effort may be made for correction.

One of the significant factors in stuttering is the unmistakable evidence that the stutterer is putting forth extensive effort in attempting at reiteration to normal speech. Obviously anything that will reduce this effort is likely to help in relieving the situation.

Of particular interest in relationship to stuttering is the question of left-handedness and right-handedness. A study was made in England of a child who stuttered and who came from a family of stutters.

In one case a boy lived during his first seven years almost entirely with a sister, who was firmly convinced that her own left-handedness was normal and that attempts of her brother at left-handedness were reprehensible.

When the boy was sent to school at seven, he had been changed from a normal right-handed writer to a left-handed writer. When he wrote in school, the school authorities were rigid in their opposition to his left-handed writing, and within a short time he acquired the habit of writing with his right hand.

He continued to use the left hand at home, and he also began to stutter.

He apparently submitted without resistance to being changed by his sister from a right-handed writer to a left-handed writer, but he strongly resented being returned by the school authorities to a right-handed writer. In connection with this resistance, he began to stutter, and the stuttering continued.

Other observers have emphasized the relationship between natural left-handedness and opposition to the left-handedness by right-handed members of the family. Such a case emphasizes equally the significance of emotions in the establishment of stuttering.

Klamath Names

WILLIAMSON RIVER

(From Oregon Geographic Names by Lewis A. McArthur.) Williamson River, Klamath county—Williamson river drains a large part of the Klamath Indian reservation, and its enlargement forms Klamath marsh. It empties into Upper Klamath Lake. The Klamath Indian name for the river was Koke, and this word was generally used alone in referring to the Williamson, Sprague, Lost and Klamath rivers, because of their importance. The hearer had to infer from the context what stream was meant. Sometimes the Williamson river was called Ya-Aga Koke, Ya-age being the word for willow trees that grow not far from the mouth of the stream. This name was generally applied to that locality only. Lieutenant Robert Stockton Williamson explored parts of central Oregon for the Pacific railroad surveys in 1855, and Williamson river was named in his honor. He was the first man to determine accurately the height of Mt. Hood, which he did in 1867.

Fremont's party fought the Klamath Indians on this stream on May 12, 1846, and Fremont named it Torrey River for his friend Professor John Torrey, a botanist. (See Fremont's Memoirs of My Life, pages 423-5.) The battleground was up stream from the highway crossing public land near the old Indian trail ford.

Fashion Tips

If you have apprehension about your figure under the new spring clothes, now is the time to exercise and get in shape.

Whatever your pet exercises are, be sure that they lead the way to suppleness. Almost any exercising does you good. But you can go through some motions that get you in fine form with less effort than others.

Stand with feet a little distance apart. Raise both arms above the head. Slowly swing the right arm down and across to touch the toe of your left foot and on up again over your head with one easy sweep.

Change hands, swing your left arm down, across, touch your right toe and up again. On the second round, lean your body back slightly, to get a bigger sweep as you swoop down. Each time you change back to the arm you began with, lean back further until by the tenth time you describe quite an arc.

I might tell you, or you will find out for yourself, that if you aren't supple right this minute you can't do this exercise with both feet in an even line. In that case, don't strain yourself. Just put forward a little bit the foot you are reaching for and change forward feet each time you change hands.

When you have finished doing this sweeping exercise ten times, try the "drunk man's walk." This consists in bending over, with your whole body, neck and arms relaxed and your knees flexed. Then weave this way and that, never really stumbling or falling, but just ambling about, any way you want to. This is excellent for the simple reason that it limbers you up through the important diaphragm region, and anything that does that makes for suppleness.

The greatest mistake made by the United States since the civil war was the adoption of the 18th amendment.—Charles A. Boston, former president American Bar association.

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