



EXECUTION RESET FOR FRIDAY

Revolt Rises Among Klamath Townslanders

Editorials

On the Day's News

THE BIG story, at the hour these words are written, is that Hauptmann has again been reprieved—this time for 48 hours. It is unquestionably a big story, but if we are to define news as that which is unexpected, and therefore startling, it is not big news.

Few people expected Hauptmann to be executed at 5 o'clock Tuesday.

WHY the stay of execution? The answer, on its face, is perfectly simple. Hauptmann was sentenced to die WITHIN the week of March 30, and it is within the discretion of the warden of the New Jersey penitentiary to execute him at any time during this week.

The warden merely exercised this discretion and postponed the execution two days beyond the time he had originally set.

WHY did he do that? Well, at the present moment, there is an embarrassing surplus of Lindbergh kidnappers, duly vouched for by confessions. One of them, a person named Wendel, first confessed that he did it, and then got scared and repudiated his confession, insisting that it was wrong from him under duress.

At the moment of the reprieve (or stay of execution—whatever the proper term is) a grand jury was considering the indictment of Wendel, and the warden of the penitentiary evidently wanted to see what the grand jury would do about it.

For that, he can hardly be blamed.

THEN there is Gaston B. Means, who floundered Evelyn Walsh McLean out of \$100,000 on the fraudulent plea that he could find the Lindbergh baby and who is now serving a sentence for obtaining money under false pretenses. He, too, has confessed that he did the kidnapping. Nobody, however, seems to pay much attention to him.

ONE more question: Was Warden Kimbrell WRONG in granting the stay of execution? For an answer to that question, put yourself in his place. Within his hands was the life of a condemned man, and a grand jury was deliberating whether or not to indict ANOTHER for the crime this man was condemned for.

Under such circumstances, what would you have done? The chances are, if it had been within your power, you would have stayed the death sentence a little longer to see what might happen.

IN THE ENTIRE handling of this Hauptmann case, there is much to be commended and little to be praised. But this unimportant writer, whose opinion counts for little, finds it hard to condemn Warden Kimbrell for waiting two more days to see what might happen.

He followed, at least, an exceedingly human impulse.

FRONTIER FIGHT BROUGHT TO END

(By The Associated Press)
A 24 hour battle which informed Soviet sources asserted contained the danger of another Russo-Japanese war was reported in Moscow to have ended today.

AREA BOARD'S ACTION CAUSE OF DISPUTES

Political Endorsements Find Opposition in This Section.

ONE CLUB FORMALLY REJECTS PLAN

Townsend's Personal Repudiation of Action Cited Here.

By MALCOLM EPLEY
Herald, flared among Klamath Townslanders today against the whole political scheme emanating from the area board, and it was predicted by one prominent leader that at a county advisory board meeting tonight the sentiment here would take the shape of formal action.

Indications were that the board would reject the proposal of Charles Faine, Eugene, that all good Townslanders in the state pledge up 5 cents a week to build a campaign war chest for the state recently endorsed at the area board session.

Similar action was taken at Roseburg Tuesday. Mortenson said that the Klamath Townsland stand would be even more vigorous, "because we're bigger."

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RANGELAND FEUD BLAMED FOR DEATH

BURNS, Ore., April 1 (AP)—A rangeland feud over horses, followed by jealousy over Mrs. Mabel Clark, led to the slaying of Ed McDonald, Mrs. Clark testified at the trial of Tobe Skien, accused murderer.

C. L. Jamison and Eldon Madson, possumen who captured Skien at the Rinehart ranch in the Owyhee breaks of eastern Oregon, testified that Skien was a member of the old Oklahoma Jennings mail robber gang and intended to return when he raised enough money to fight the case.

The only eye witness, Mrs. Clark, said Skien was intoxicated the night of the shooting. He and McDonald previously had trouble over horses, she said, and Skien vowed revenge.

MEASLES PREVALENT THROUGHOUT STATE

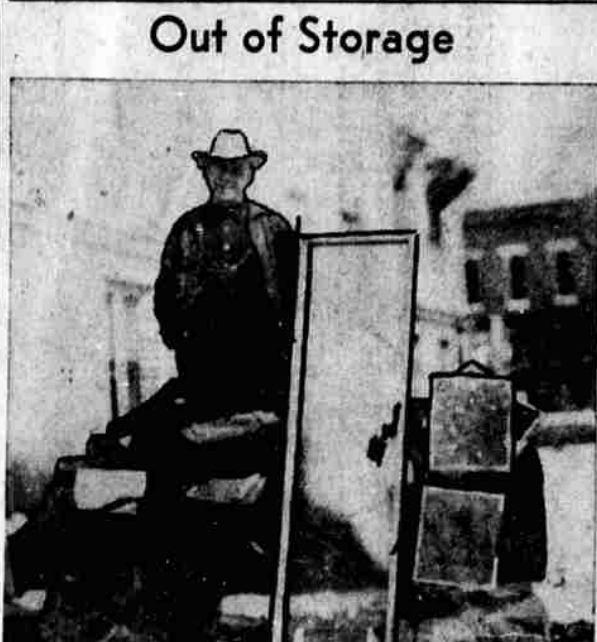
PORTLAND, Ore., April 1 (AP)—Measles continued the most prevalent disease in Oregon last week when 416 cases were reported. Dr. Frederick M. Strickland, state health officer, said today.

In commenting on recent outbreaks of typhoid fever, Dr. Strickland said typhoid is a "filth-borne disease" which may be caused by "insufficient local supervision of the water supply."

The fever is contracted through water, milk, or some other food which has been contaminated with typhoid germs, he said.

HOLMAN TO ADDRESS CLUB

SALEM, April 1. (AP)—Rufus C. Holman, state treasurer, announced today he would address a local Townsend club meeting in Salem tonight. He said he would give a "prepared speech" and didn't know what he would say. Holman previously had expressed himself favorably to the revolving pension fund proposal.



Exhibits used in the Earl Fehi ballot theft trial here over two years ago, piled up back of the courthouse Tuesday after Circuit Judge George Skipworth of Eugene ordered them disposed of. Old ballot pouches, partially destroyed ballots, and a broken window from the Jackson county courthouse, have been kept in "storage" here since the trial. Sheriff Lloyd Low is standing by the pile of exhibits. (Herald-News photo-engraving).

HEAVY SNOWFALL COVERS PORTLAND

All-Time April Weather Record Broken by Storm.

KLAMATH 16 DEGREES
Mercury fell to a low mark of 16 degrees above zero for a clever little April fool joke Wednesday, nearly reaching the all time record of 14 degrees for the first of April, recorded on All Fool's Day in 1918, according to the U. S. weather bureau.

The local weatherman reported a rising barometer, and predicted generally fair weather, with wintry temperatures and brisk winds for the next 24 hours in the Klamath basin.

The state weather bureau forecast included unsettled conditions for all portions, occasional snows Wednesday night and Thursday, turning to rain in the west. Slowly rising temperatures seem in prospect, according to the optimistic prophet, with increasing southwesterly winds off the coast.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 1 (AP)—Spring pulled a real April Fool's day trick on Portland today and dumped nearly two and one-half inches of snow on the streets in seven hours.

It was an all-time April snowfall record here.

The storm started at 5 a. m., and by 10 a. m. it was snowing heavily. The fall tapered off around noon, when the weather bureau measured the morning snowfall at 2.3 inches and a total of 2.9 inches since last night. Light snow will fall all day, the bureau said.

HEARST BLAMED FOR MCKINLEY'S MURDER

WASHINGTON, April 1 (AP)—Seeking to show that President Theodore Roosevelt charged William Randolph Hearst with responsibility for the assassination of President McKinley, Senator Schwellenbach (D-Wash.) resumed an attack on the publisher before the senate today.

A member of the lobby committee which is engaged in a legal struggle with Hearst over seizure of his telegrams, Schwellenbach read from an address delivered in 1904 by Elitha Root, former secretary of state.

He said Root's speech quoted Hearst editorials as saying assassination is a good thing under certain circumstances. The editorials were represented as having been published prior to McKinley's death. Schwellenbach declared Root spoke with the authorization of President Theodore Roosevelt.

ITALY ROUTS TROOPS LED BY SELASSIE

Crack Forces of Emperor Routed by Invading Black Shirts.

ETHIOPIAN DEAD PLACED AT 7000

King of Kings Takes Personal Part in Battle At Lake Ashangi.

ROME, April 1 (AP)—Italy's northern army smashed through to its first major victory over the troops of Haile Selassie—led by the emperor himself—Marshall Pietro Badoglio reported today in an official communique.

Badoglio announced that 7000 Ethiopians were killed and that the Italian forces had suffered more than 1000 casualties.

The Fascist commander-in-chief said the Ethiopian king of kings fought personally in the battle yesterday in the Lake Ashangi sector, 30 miles south of the former principal Italian front lines at Amba Alaji.

Marshall Badoglio's communique said: "Yesterday the negus (emperor) started a great battle with his best troops in the Lake Ashangi zone."

"The battle, which was extremely violent in certain phases, concluded with a victory for our troops."

A second communique read: "In the Lake Ashangi zone, toward Quorom, a great battle was fought March 31."

"The army of Emperor Haile Selassie, with the troops of his bodyguard furnished with modern arms of every kind, attacked our positions south of Mat Ceu."

"The day closed with a complete victory for our arms."

"The Ethiopian action, which was expected, took place between 6 a. m. and 4 p. m., with a series of active frontal attacks which were repulsed."

"In the afternoon, our national and Eritrean troops counter-attacked and put to flight the enemy, which retired in disorder in the Meana valley, bombarded meanwhile by airplanes and artillery."

"The losses for Haile Selassie, armed forces were extremely grave: estimated at 7,000 killed, among them a number of subchieftains."

"Many prisoners were captured as well as a large quantity of arms."

"Our entire losses were 12 officers killed and 44 wounded; 51 national (white) soldiers killed and 152 wounded; 800 Eritreans killed and wounded."

Four Fraternities Robbed at O. S. C.

CORVALLIS, Ore., April 1 (AP)—A campus prowler stole \$350 worth of watches and \$98 in cash from four fraternity houses at Oregon State college early today and escaped by slugging Robert A. Lee, student from Glendale, California.

The thief was believed the same one who burglarized several University of Oregon fraternities last week.

Townsend "Saw Millions" in Development of OARP

WASHINGTON, April 1 (AP)—A written statement by Dr. F. E. Townsend that "it looks to me as if there might be millions in it" was submitted today to the house committee investigating the Townsend old age pension plan.

The statement was made in a letter to Robert E. Clements, resigned national secretary and co-founder of the movement. In the letter Dr. Townsend urged sending out organizers to "obtain membership wholesale."

James R. Sullivan, the committee's counsel, commented that the reason Dr. Townsend did not want to replace Edward J. Margott, San Francisco area man-

Warden May Grant Full Legal Limit

Outcome of Various Investigations Still Determining Factor in Time of Bruno Hauptmann's Trip to Chair.

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TRENTON, N. J., April 1.—Col. Mark O. Kimbrell said today he would delay the execution of Bruno Richard Hauptmann to the full extent of his authority as long as any legal actions that might affect Hauptmann's status in the Lindbergh baby murder case were pending.

Time Hinges on Jury Action
The warden, who halted the execution last night just at the hour Hauptmann was scheduled to die, set a new death date of Friday night at 8, but made it contingent upon developments, with an especial eye toward the "runaway" Mercer county grand jury which is still undecided whether to indict another man, Paul H. Wendel, for the same crime.

Kimbrell said the delay was ordered in the expectation that the jury might reach a decision in its investigation of the case of Wendel.

Kimbrell reiterated his statement that an indictment of Wendel, who has repudiated three "confessions" to the crime, would not in itself be sufficient to prevent execution this week.

Legal Limit Questioned
Should an indictment be returned, Kimbrell said, a court order or a decision from some competent authority would probably be necessary to carry the execution beyond this week.

The order of execution, signed by Supreme Court Justice Thomas W. Trenchard, fixes the date as "the week of March 30."

Kimbrell was not certain whether the week ends legally at Saturday midnight or Sunday at the same hour.

Hauptmann has not yet been told that a new date has been set. Kimbrell told Mrs. Anna Hauptmann, the condemned man's wife of the new date, when she called at the prison at noon. She was weeping slightly when she left. She had not seen her husband but expected to return later in the day.

Court Advice Sought
If it is necessary to postpone the execution beyond Friday night, Kimbrell said, he will ask Supreme Court Justice Trenchard for legal advice on when the week expires.

The warden disclosed he had conferred with Governor Harold G. Hoffman this afternoon and "had checked up with him" before setting the new date.

Kimbrell said Hauptmann had been moved back to his old cell, No. 9, yesterday after being prepared to go to the chair. Cell No. 9 is only seven paces from the chair.

The warden said if Mrs. Hauptmann should request him to let her take her son, Manfred, into the death house he would not refuse the request, but would urge her not to do it.

"No good can come of it," he said.

ANNA AT PRISON
TRENTON, N. J., April 1. (AP)—Anna Hauptmann went to state prison today for another visit with her husband, Bruno Richard, whose execution last night was stayed at the last minute.

She had last seen him on Monday, at which time she bade him "auf wiedersehen" (till we meet again).

It was shortly after one o'clock when the woman, who had fully (Continued on Page Eight)

BRUNO EXHAUSTED BY LONG STRAIN

TRENTON, N. J., April 1 (AP)—Bruno Richard Hauptmann slept the sleep of the exhausted today, making up for the rest he could not get before last on the eve of his scheduled execution.

In sharp contrast to Monday night when the condemned man paced his cell through the long hours of the night, prison officials said he went to sleep last night soon after C. Lloyd Fisher, his attorney, told him of the delay in execution.

He moved only once or twice, his guards reported, and was still asleep at 10 o'clock.

WENDEL CASE ACTION HELD BACK BY JURY

Wilentz Confident No Indictment Will Be Returned.

TRENTON, N. J., April 1 (AP)—An associate in the defense of Paul H. Wendel, held on a Lindbergh murder charge, said today the department of justice had started an investigation of the case with regard to Wendel's claim that he was kidnapped in New York, tortured and detained against his will before he made "confessions" to the Lindbergh kidnapping.

Forced Confession Claimed
The statement came from a man associated with John S. Kafes, Trenton attorney for Wendel. He would not permit use of his name.

Wendel, in repudiating his kidnapping confessions, asserted he was abducted in New York, tortured and brought to the new Lisbon state colony for feeble minded near Mt. Holly, where he remained until brought here last Saturday night.

JURY PROBE DELAYED
TRENTON, N. J., April 1 (AP)—The possibility of Bruno Richard Hauptmann escaping the death chair beyond tomorrow night grew today as the Mercer county grand jury delayed until tomorrow morning further consideration of the Paul H. Wendel alleged confessions of the Lindbergh baby kidnapping.

Asked Death Stay
Announcement of the delay by the grand jury was made by Prosecutor Erwin E. Marshall of Mercer county.

Last night the grand jury by unprecedented action had requested Warden Mark O. Kimbrell of the state penitentiary, to postpone the execution until it could make a further investigation of Wendel angles.

The body remained in session until early today and then adjourned until this afternoon.

Shortly after Marshall's announcement this morning, it was learned from persons closely identified with the prosecution, that Attorney General David T. Wilentz felt confident the grand jury would not return an indictment against Wendel, a disbarred attorney, charged with murder in the Lindbergh kidnapping.

Political Issue Seen
The grand jury action caused considerable discussion on the political differences between Prosecutor Marshall and Allyn M. Freeman, the jury foreman. Marshall is a democrat, while Freeman is a republican.

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LINDY GETS PERMIT TO FLY IN ENGLAND

LONDON, April 1. (AP)—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, who voluntarily has remained on the ground during his three months' residence in England, won the British government's permission today to take to the air.

Upon the American's personal application, the air ministry validated his United States pilot's license No. 49, issued by the department of commerce.

The ministry's action authorizes him to fly in the British Isles until December 31—but not "for hire or reward."

No application was received from Mrs. Lindbergh.

The American flyer declared in his request that he wanted a license for private flying only.

GOLFER STILL ILL

EVERETT, Wash., April 1 (AP)—Hospital attendants reported unchanged from yesterday the condition of H. Chandler Egan, Medford, former amateur golf champion. Egan is suffering from lobar pneumonia.