WEATHER: Fair, warmer Friday, Saturday fair.

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HAMBY NOTED MURDERER ELECTROCUTED IN SING SING

His Crime Was Murdering Two Of The Bank Presidents In The Year Of 1918

PARENTS ARE UNKNOWN

[illegible] N. Y., Jan. 30.—The [illegible] Hamby, the notorious [illegible] and bandit, was electrocuted in Sing Sing prison late last [illegible] for the murder of two officers of a Brooklyn bank in December, 1918, and will be buried [illegible] cemetery today. No one claimed the body and the mystery concerning his parentage which had studiously guarded has remained unsolved.

EARTHQUAKE IN VERA CRUZ LAST NIGHT

[illegible] City, Jan. 30.—Earthquake shocks were felt in Vera Cruz and in the vicinity of Chalchicomula, in Puebla, this state, tonight, according to the reports received here.

ITALIANS CLASH WITH SLAV AN HUN SAILORS

[illegible], Jan. 30. Italian soldiers clashed with Slav and German sailors aboard the steamer [illegible] at Singapore recently [illegible] one of the sailors insulted according to the report to [illegible]. None were seriously injured. The soldiers were on route home from Siberia.

DAVIS AND GRIMES LAND NEAR GUEDREERO M.

[illegible]wield, Tex., Jan. 30.—Scott Davis and Grimes, of the army aviators who [illegible] made a forced landing [illegible], Mexico, are not [illegible] as prisoners by the Mexicans, [illegible] will fly back to the [illegible] States today, was [illegible] at Fort Brown.

COTTON MARKET.

[illegible]	36.48
[illegible]	34.53
[illegible]	32.54
[illegible]	29.95
[illegible]	29.35
Cotton Seed	$135

48 PERSONS IN HAWAII ARE CURED OF LEPROSY

U. S. Soon To Name Detailed Description of The Cure

VEGETABLE OIL USED

Honolulu, Jan. 30.—Forty-eight persons in Hawaii, afflicted with leprosy, were cured during 1919, according to the statement of Dr. J. T. McDonald, attending physician at the Kalihi Leprosy Investigation Station here.

The products used in treating the disease, said Dr. McDonald, are refined from a vegetable oil by Dr. A. L. Dean, of the College of Hawaii. The surgeon general at Washington has asked for a detailed descripton of the work for publication in the United States Health Report, and this now is being prepared.

And still, if the reds overturn the government, we can use the other side.

ALFANI WOULD SUE FOR LIBEL

Florence, Italy, Jan. 30.—Father Alfani, the director of Ximenian Observatory here, said that to spread rumors relative to the interchange of wireless messages between Bennets "absolutely scandalous." He added that William Marconi, inventor of the wireless system, should "sue for libel" a man who interviewed him recently was quoted him as saying that faint signals picked up by the wireless stations might come from sources outside of the earth.

A few years ago we laughed mightily at the silly fool who prophesied that man would soon be flying in the air. Now we are wondering how we can connect up with a plane for use in gathering up the news for this sheet.

JENKINS PROVED GUILTY PAPER SAYS

Evidence That U.S. Consol Plotted with Bandits Found Authorities Claim

INVESTIGATION MADE

Mexico Cit, Jan. 30.—William O. Jenkins, American Consular Agent at Puebla, has been proved guilty of collusion with bandits who kidnapped him the newspaper El Democrata quoted Julio Mitchell, prosecuting attorney in the Jenkins case, as asserting.

The newspaper reported a conference between Hillario Merina, sub-Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Mitchell, in which Mitchell said authorities at Puebla were continuing their investigation into the Jenkins case. The authorities have proved Jenkins guilty on five counts, the newspaper quoted Mitchell as saying.

CHAMPION FRENCH BOXER LOSES ARM

Paris, Jan. 30.—Ponthieu, French featherweight boxing champion of Europe, has been compelled to have his forearm amputated from blood poisoning, as a result of a fractured bone sustained in his last battle.

MRS. WILLIAM B. LEDS WEDS CHRISTOPHER

Paris, Jan. 30. Mrs. William B. Leds, widow of the Tin Plate Magnet, to be married by the civil ceremony to Prince Christopher, younger brother of the former King Constantine, of Greece, at Geneva, on Saturday, according to an editorial in the New York Herald.

QUESTIONAIRES SENT TO FARMERS OF COUNTRY

Washington, Jan. 30.—The decreased farm production next year and consequent increase in the cost of living is due to the dissatisfaction of the farmers who predicted before the Senate post-office committee today by the fourth assistant postmaster, General Blakeslee. More than forty thousand answers to two hundred thousand questionaires was sent to the farmers, he said, indicate conditions "disquieting and portentious of disastrous consequences."

VALUE LIFE AT $3,000 TYPHOID AT $300

Before Filteration Deaths In Pittsburg Were 130 of 100,000

PURIFIED WATER

Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 29.—Valuing a life at $3,000 and the cost of a case of typhoid fever at $300 Chester F. Drake, engineer in charge of the Pittsburgh filtration plant, today estimated that the plant pays for itself every 18 months.

Before the city had filtered water the death rate from typhoid fever was approximately 130 per 100,000 of population every year. Last year it was approximately 4 per 100,000 of population.

The plant, which was completed in 1907, purified in 1919 approximately 44,253,000,000 gallons of water.

IRKUTHU TRANSFERED TO THE BOLSHEVIKI

The Social revolution which occurred in Irkuthu and which ousted Kolchak was transferred from the government of the allied powers to the bolsheviki, a cable added.

ADMIRAL KOLCHACK ESCAPES FROM BOLSHEVIKI

Honolulu, Jan. 30.—An Associated Press dispatch says Admiral Kolchak, who was deported has escaped from the bolsheviki and is hiding n Manchuria, according to a Tokio dispatch to a Japanese neyspaper here.

BURGLARS IN BELMONT HOME TAKE WHISKEY

Hempstead, L. I., Jan. 30.—Burglars entered the home of August Belmont here, ransacked the place and stole a quantity of whiskey. Nothing else was touched, the intruders passing up many costly articles and store of trophies of polo meets. Mrs. Thomas Tydeman, housekeeper, discovered that one of the windows had been forced, and a search of the premises showed that the burglars had broken open the wine cellar and stolen what they could carry.

Silverware worth $2,000 was taken from the home of T. R. Parker, of No. 109 Ninth street, Garden City. The place as literally turned topsy turvey. It is believed these men were looking for whiskey.

MISSOURI DEMOCRATS GIVE WOMEN EQUAL REPRESEN.

The State Convention Meets In Joplin Missouri On March The 31st

WOMEN SELECT DELEGATES

Jefferson City, Jan. 30.—The State committee has decided that women be permitted to select her own delegates and have equal representation with the men in [illegible] at the State Democratic convention at Joplin, March 31st.

SOUTH AMERICA TO START AIRPLANE PASSENGER SERVICE

State Library

Airplanes make trip Across Plate River In Hour And Half

CARRY TWENTY FIVE

Buenos Ayres, Jan. 30.—Tri weekly airplane passenger service has been inaugurated between this city and Montevidea, Uruguay, by the French aviation mission. No charge is made for the trip, the passengers beiig selected by invitation, but early in February, it is expected that the service will be operated by the Franco-Argentine Aerial Transportation Company which will charge a fare. The mission will dispose of its equipment in the company which, by establishing this service, will be the pioneer commercial aviation company in South America.

The airplanes make in about an hour and a half, the trip across the mouth of the River Plate to Montevideo that takes a fast river boat 10 hours. Machines carrying 25 passengers or or more are expected from France for use in the regular commercial service.

ARABIAN TRIBES APPEAL TO POPE

Rome, Jan. 30.—The Pope has received a memorandum from the Arabian tribes in Palestine protesting against what is called the "Pro-Zionist" policy of Great Britain and Foreign Minister Balfour's statement that "Palestine must be for the Jews." Memorandum denounced the report that bolshevik Jews have been given permission to settle in Palestine and declared Arabia will never let Zionists take possession of the country.

LANSING FAVORS HOOVER TO RUN

Washington, Jan. 30.—Lansing petitions to place the name of Herbert Hoover in the Democratic ballot at Michigan presidential primary, April 5th, received by Secretary of State this morning. The petition lacked the required 100 signatures but it was indicated that additional signatures would follow.

ODESSA CAPTURED BY UKRAINIAN FORCES

Vienna, Jan. 30. The capture of Odessa by the Ukranian forces was announced by the Ukrania press service.

DERBENT OCCUPIED BY BOLSHEVIKI

London, Jan. 30.—Anti-bolshevik forces have been compelled to evacuate the city of Derbent on the west coast of the Caspian sea, according to Bolshevik wireless from Moscow. In Eastern Siberia, the dispatch states, peasants have revolted and occupied the gold fields in the vicinity of Nikolaevsk. They have fortified the entire Amur district with trenches, it is declared.

SAID LOAN $150,000,000 REDUCED BY SEC. GLASS

Washington, Jan. 30.—A reduction of $25,000,000 in the $150,000,000 loan proposed for food relief for Holland, Austria and Armenia was made today by Secretary Glass appearing before the house ways and means committee.

America's Contribution 3rd in World War

[illegible] Jan. 30. The United States made the third largest contribution to the fighting forces during the war, namely, approximately [illegible], according to figures compiled by British statisticians, headed the list. Britain came second with a total of 8,654,467.

[illegible] strength of the army in France on Armistice Day, that is, the total number of men who were being fed from army stocks, is placed at 1,924,000 while Great Britain's [illegible] strength in this theater on the same date was 1,731,578. This does not take into account prisoners of war or the negro labor employed by England.

America's combatant strength in France on Armistice Day is set down at 1,160,000 and Great Britain's at 1,164,790. The combatant strength includes all troops whose functions are, in the first place, fighting.

The captures of prisoners and guns in France during the victorious offensive against the German armies, 43,300 and 1,421; Belgian armie, 14,500 and 474. It is pointed out that in addition to the above there were 80,000 British combatant troops in Italy who cooperated in the final defeat of the Austrian army at Viltorio-Veneto, capturing 30,000 prisoners, and that in the Eastern theaters of war, Palestine and Mesopotamia, where about 100,000 British troops on an average throughout 1918 were fighting, the complete defeat and destruction of the Turkish army as effected by the British alone, and a total of 85,000 prisoners taken.

The following figures show the number of troops contributed by the various parts of the British Empire during the war:

British Isles, 5,704,416; Canada, 640,886; Australia, 416,809; New Zealand, 220,099; South Africa, 136,070; India, 1,401,350; other colonies, 134,837. The grand total was 8,654,467.

The casualties of the troops of the British Empire are stated as follows: British Isles, killed, 662,083; missing or prisoners, 140,512; wounded, 1,644,786.

Losses of troops from India, Canada, Australia and other parts of the empire, brought the total to, killed, 851,117; missing and prisoners 142,057; wounded 2,067,412.

Prisoners repatriated are not included in the foregoing.