THE WEATHER

For Brownsville and the Valley: Partly cloudy and much colder Friday night with lowest temperature in the forties; Saturday fair and continued cold.

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NEW JUDD INDICTMENT RETURNE

Senate Gets Quorum in Time to Recess for Holidays

POWER GRANT TO ROOSEVELT IS DEFENDED

Garner Says Right To Reorganize Not Dictatorial

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30. (AP)—The house drive on appropriations went forward today as the senate came out of its holiday silence for a brief round of oratory and then closed down until after the new year.

The representatives worked away at their third appropriation measure, that for agriculture, and before they could complete action had one more money bill thrust at them. A $31,421,000 deficiency bill, to meet immediate shortages of government departments, was the newcomer.

Session Abandoned

The senatorial debate featured Connally of Texas and Logan of Kentucky, and concerned the closing of an army fort in the border state and the transfer of the troops to Kentucky. Unable to prevent the transfer, the senators put their views on record. After a few minutes the session was adjourned.

Again today the sales tax question bobbed up, Chmn. Collier of the house ways and means committee announcing he would give his group a chance to pass upon it Wednesday when the study of federal finance begins. He said he did not believe the committee would approve it. He also said that raising the tobacco tax would be considered.

No Dictatorial Power

Speaker Garner, asked by newspapermen about the announced intention of the democrats to give the next president new power to reorganize the government, said there was no dictatorial power at issue. He observed that congress always may take back whatever power it gives.

Garner disclosed that it is planned to repeal the $140,000,000 or so of annual appropriations now required by law, so that these could be passed upon each year in the budget, according to merits.

Youth Dies In Burning Hotel

BEAUMONT, Dec. 30. (AP)—John McClung, 16, was burned to death and four other persons were injured jumping from the second floor when fire today destroyed the Chambers hotel at Kirbyville, Tex.

McClung, a junior in the Jasper high school, either fainted or was overcome by smoke after being awakened by his mother, Mrs. Myrta McClung, and his charred body was found after the fire subsided.

Mrs. H. H. Chapman and daughter, Mary Emma, who, with Mrs. McClung, had climbed out a window onto a lower roof of the hotel, assisted in trying to lift the body of the boy over a sill but all were forced to leap because of the intense heat and flames.

Aimee Reported In Critical Condition

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 30. (AP)—Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, evangelist was reported by her husband, David L. Hutton, as being in a critical condition today.

Hutton said she has suffered repeated collapses during the past two years and is unable to leave her bed. A nervous disorder, together with stomach trouble, was said to be the cause of the evangelist's most recent breakdown.

The evangelist has been absent from her Angelus Temple platform several days.

Politics Blamed For Abandonment Of Border Forts

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30. (AP)—Texas and Arizona senators joined today in a vigorous protest in the senate against War Department plans to abandon army posts at Camps D. A. Russell, Marfa, Texas; Stephen T. Little, Nogales, Ariz., and Harry J. Jones, Douglas, Ariz.

In the course of a speech by Sen. Connally, (D., Tex.), in which he termed the proposed transfer of the Marfa troops to Camp Knox, Ky., Jan. 1 as "autocratic" and in no sense an economy step, the question turned to possible "political" motives.

Reward Question Denied

Sen. Logan (D., Ky.), interrupted to say Texas had "contributed so manfully" to put the present administration in power in 1928 he saw no reason why the war department had any "particular animosity" toward the Lone Star state.

Replying heatedly, Connally said Kentucky had given Pres. Hoover a majority of more than 175,000 in 1928 compared with only 25,000 by Texas and was "wondering if the senator from Kentucky wanted his state to be rewarded in the closing days of the administration for what his state did in 1928."

Logan denied he intended to raise the question of political reward, but said if that was the ground on which the transfer order was based he believed the "friendship" would extend more to Texas because it was not surprising that Kentucky went republican four years ago.

'Need Moral Effect'

When Logan repeated Texas had "contributed most manfully" to putting the republicans in power, Connally said he was wrong.

"They contributed most womanly," he replied.

Connally was joined by Sen. Hayden (D., Ariz.), in contending it was "false" economy to move the troops.

Hayden asserted the "moral effect of mere presence of regular army men in uniform at Douglas and Nogales was the best protection we can have from possible dangers across the border."

Hayden said the present government of Mexico was friendly to the United States, but argued the troops at Camps Little and Jones had been placed there 22 years ago for protection from border disturbances and they "have justified their presence there every day since then."

TWO HURT IN VALLEY WRECK

William Huitt Hurt While Driving For Medicine For Sick Son

William Huitt, well known Olmito resident, is in a serious condition today from injuries suffered in an automobile crash last night as he was on his way into Brownsville to get medicine for his son, William, Jr.

The son is ill with a severe case of measles.

W. L. Beckham of Harlingen was driving the other automobile which figured in the wreck. Beckham is still confined to the hospital, but attendants expressed the belief today that he is not seriously injured. He sustained cuts and bruises.

X-Rays were being made today to determine the extent of Huitt's injuries.

He suffered fractures of the bones in both legs, a fractured left arm, cuts and bruises and possibly internal injuries from the effects of a blow on the chest in the crash. His nose was badly cut by flying glass.

Huitt drove a light roadster toward Brownsville about 7:30 when the condition of his son failed to improve and medicine was deemed necessary.

The accident happened as the two cars rounded a curved south of the Brownsville Municipal country club, the vehicles colliding almost head-on.

Passersby brought the two men to the Mercy hospital and physicians were summoned. After friends in Olmito were notified they came to Brownsville and took the medicine back to the Huitt boy.

HARLINGEN WOMAN HURT IN WRECK

(Special to The Herald)

HARLINGEN, Dec. 30.—Mrs. J. T. Ellis of this city was treated at the Valley Baptist hospital here late Thursday for scalp wounds suffered when the automobile in which she and three other Harlingen women were riding overturned on the highway between here and San Benito.

She was brought to the hospital here by Jack Miller of Brownsville, who came upon the scene of the accident soon after the car overturned.

'Hinkey-Dinkey' Gets New Verse In Post Theft

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The woes of Private Leo F. Whelen have added a new verse to an old army song. Whelen was convicted of stealing a banjo, a camera, an overcoat and $10 from the quarters of Brig. Gen. Lucius R. Holbrook, and was given a year. Now the 18th infantry songsters are singing:

"The doughboy swiped the general's dough.
Parley-voo.
His camera, coat and best banjo,
Parley-voo.
He said 'of generals I've no fear,'
Till the court passed out a kick and a year,
Hinkey-dinkey parley-voo."

Blazing Tanker Is Abandoned

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 30—(AP)—A cargo of crude oil aboard the tanker Doris Kellogg today was abandoned and in flames approximately 35 miles southeast of Frying Pan Shoals.

Forced to take to three lifeboats, the crew of the Doris Kellogg was picked up by the SS Delaware Sun which went to the burning vessel's aid.

The coast guard cutter Yamacraw was standing by the Doris Kellogg while the Delaware Sun proceeded.

Widow of Pioneer Lumberman Dies

GAINESVILLE, Dec. 30. (AP)—Mrs. Margaret Wooldridge, 78, widow of J. C. Wooldridge, pioneer Texas lumberman, died at her home here today after an illness of a week from heart trouble.

She was born in Garrad county, Ky., Dec. 2, 1854, and was married in Lamar county, Texas, in 1873. After the couple located here in 1894, Wooldridge established a lumber company bearing his name with headquarters here and yards in numerous west Texas cities. They are now directed by a son, Richard E. Wooldridge.

BROODING IS BLAMED FOR POST KILLING

2 Captains And Wives Are Shot Down By Demoted Negro

FORT HUACHUCA, Ariz., Dec. 30. (AP)—The brooding of a negro soldier over his demotion from sergeant to private was advanced today as a possible motive for the negro slaying two army captains and their wives at the historic post.

Another white officer was wounded late yesterday before the soldier was shot and killed by a negro corporal of the Provost guard. Although the official statement suggested no motive, the investigating board of officers was emphatic in stating "no breach of discipline" was involved.

Four Killed

The dead:

Capt. Joseph R. Wessely, 45, of San Antonio, Tex., 25th Infantry, assistant to the post quartermaster.

Mrs. Wessely, wife of the slain officer, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Capt. David A. Palmer, 42, of Beverly, Mass., in command of Company M, 25th Infantry.

Mrs. Palmer, wife of Capt. Palmer, the former Miss Mary Lowden of Dedham, Mass.

James H. Abernathy, negro private, quartermaster's corps, of Houston, Tex., slayer of the four.

The wounded:

First Lieut. Harvie R. Matthews, 25th Infantry, assigned to Company K command, shot twice through both legs. He is 32 years of age and from Chapel Hill, Tex. Physicians said he will recover.

The official statement of the board of investigators summoned by the post commandant said:

'Temporary Insanity'

"No motive for the crimes is shown to the officers at Fort Huachuca, but Abernathy undoubtedly was suffering from temporary insanity. He was employed at the filling station on the military reservation.

"All of the officers concerned were unusually popular with the men."

Col. R. S. Knox, commanding officer of the 25th Infantry regiment, who came here from his headquarters at Nogales, later added:

"Insofar as the regiment is concerned, there is no breach of discipline, but on the other hand, there is great commendation for Corp. Peter Hardley, Company L, member of the Provost guard, who pursued and killed the murderer upon his own initiative."

Officers at the post unofficially advanced as a possible cause of the negro's madness, his brooding over a recent demotion from the rank of sergeant. Abernathy had been involved in a fatal automobile accident. He had been released to state courts and was placed on 10 years probation.

Capt. Wessely was the first to be killed. He was shot down without warning as he drove into the service station where Abernathy was employed. After killing the officer, the negro drove to the captain's home where he apparently burst in upon Mrs. Wessely and killed her.

Children Escape

From the Wessely home he went to the Palmer residence where he apparently killed Capt. and Mrs. Palmer without a struggle. The two Palmer children, David, 12, and Polly, 10, escaped. David shoved his sister into a closet, slammed the door and ran from the house to notify post headquarters.

After killing Capt. and Mrs. Palmer, Abernathy ran to the home of Lieut. Matthews, and opened fire on him. Meanwhile, the Provost corporal had been attracted by the shooting, and, obtaining a rifle, ran toward Matthews' home. He found the officer lying on the ground and the negro firing shots into his body. The corporal then killed Abernathy.

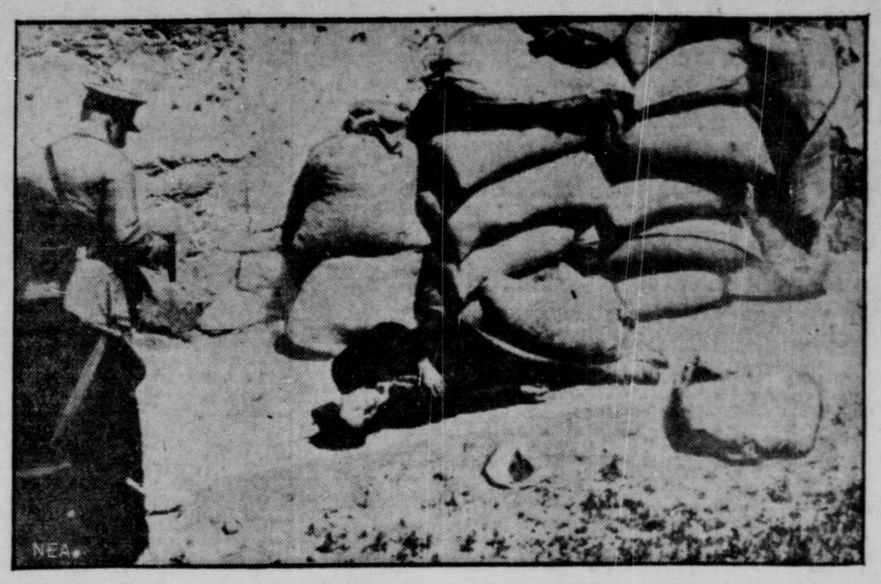
Headless Torso Found In Sack

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 30.—(AP)—A negro workman today found a man's torso, minus the head and one arm, in a package at the incinerator plant of the city dump.

There were no identifying marks. Employes at the dump said they had no knowledge of its delivery there.

Police and deputy sheriffs expressed the opinion the dead man was the victim of a skilled surgeon, possibly crazed, as there were three incisions in the skin that had been made with expert care. One was in the abdomen and two were in the groin. Stitches were found in the skin.

AS OBREGON'S ASSASSIN MET DEATH



Jose de Leon Toral, assassin of General Alvaro Obregon, former president of Mexico, is shown in this secretly snapped picture as he met death before a firing squad in Mexico City. The officer at the left has just delivered the coup de grace, a shot in the head, after the firing squad's bullets felled Toral. The picture was taken by one of the few witnesses at the execution. Toral was placed before sandbags in the prison's bullet-pocked death wall.

COUNTY HEADS FINISH TASKS

Newly-Elected Officers To Begin Duties Here Monday

The Cameron county courthouse was in a brisk flurry Friday morning as officers prepared for the election changes to become effective Jan. 1. The old commissioners' court, which will be replaced throughout with exception of Sam H. Bell, Brownsville commissioner, was holding its financial session closing out loose ends of business.

The new commissioners' court, headed by A. W. Cunningham of Harlingen, is expected to settle down to business with its first session Monday morning. The old commissioners had plenty of work before them Friday. The matter of a county depository was under consideration but the matter had not been cleared up at noon. A proposed contract with the State National at 1½% was under consideration at that time.

The report of Mrs. Mary Moses, county treasurer, as trustee for the dissolved Water Improvement Dist. No. 14 was received. An order also was entered confirming appointment of directors in Water Improvement Dist. No. 19.

The commissioners had many smaller matters to clear before completing the day. It is possible that they will hold another session Saturday.

Bonds of Aaron W. Cunningham, incoming Harlingen commissioner, and Jim Ward, incoming San Benito commissioner, were approved by the court.

The new officers will take their oaths of office either Sunday or Monday, it was indicated.

2nd Pair of Twins Is Born to Woman Within One Year

CHICAGO, Dec. 30. (AP)—For the second time within a year Mrs. Marie Colson, 25, presented her husband, Gilbert, with twins, born yesterday.

They were a boy and girl as was the first set born last Jan. 10.

Colson is an automobile insurance company clerk.

MARKETS AT GLANCE

NEW YORK:

Stocks strong; steels lead rise.
Bonds: Firm; rails rally.
Curb: Firm; some utilities strong.
Foreign exchanges: Irregular; sterling heavy.
Cotton: Lower; local and southern selling.
Sugar: Quiet; trade buying.
Coffee: Lower; European selling.

CHICAGO:

Wheat: Strong; cold wave predicted.
Corn: Firm; receipts light.
Cattle: Steady, hardly enough for market.
Hogs: Draggy, steady to 10 lower.

270 Visit Valley For Holiday

Approximately 270 Texas people, mostly from San Antonio, Houston and points north as far as the state line arrived in the Valley today, taking advantage of the special New Year round trip rate of $5 to the Valley.

Of the total number 135 came to Brownsville.

Much larger groups are expected tomorrow, and the Southern Pacific and Missouri Pacific are making arrangements to handle these special delegations.

The Southern Pacific today reported 120 coming to the Valley, of which number 60 came to Brownsville. The Missouri Pacific had 150 to the Valley, with 75 of this number to Brownsville.

NEGRO SAVED FROM CHAIR

Black Prepared for Death When Sterling Grants Reprieve

HUNTSVILLE, Dec. 30. (AP)—Thirty minutes before he was scheduled to die in the electric chair, Carter Rollins, 19-year-old Tarrant county negro, was granted a two weeks' reprieve by Gov. R. S. Sterling.

The negro, sentenced to die for the murder of David R. Reed, has been prepared for the chair when the executive order was telephoned to Warden W. W. Waid at 11:30 p. m. last night.

"Thank you," was the only comment the negro had to make when informed that stay had been granted on an appeal made by friends to the governor. He continued smoking a cigaret, one of the many he had lighted.

In his conversation with Warden Waid, the governor first had asked that a medical examination be made of the negro last night, but, when informed that only 30 minutes remained, ordered the reprieve. In his trial the negro had offered a plea of insanity but the jury held he was sane.

Reed was killed with his own shotgun in Tarrant county on Oct. 19, 1931.

WOMAN DIES FOR MURDER

Mother Pays Penalty On Gallows For Son's Poisoning

PRETORIA, Union of South Africa, Dec. 30. (AP)—Mrs. Daisy De Melker was executed this morning for the murder of her son, Cecil Rhodes Cowle, by poisoning.

The trial, lasting nearly six weeks, was one of the most sensational in South African criminal history.

On charges of poisoning two former husbands, she was found not guilty.

Mrs. de Melker, a frail woman, maintained her innocence to the end.

Her husband, Sidney Clarence de Melker, a noted Rugby player, and her stepdaughter paid a final visit yesterday. Almost simultaneously the governor-general rejected a last appeal for a reprieve.

Mrs. de Melker was the second woman hanged in Transvaal since the union was formed (in 1910).

'Red' Bandits Capture Town

HANKOW, China, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Communist bandits under the leadership of the notorious outlaw Ho Lung, have captured and looted the town of Patung on the southern bank of the Yangtse river in western Hupeh. The Catholic mission was destroyed but the fate of the missionaries could not be learned immediately.

Dispatches from Ichang said 3,000 bandits swarmed across the Yangtse, sacked Patung and swept southward, looting and burning as they went.

Tax Penalty Becomes Effective Saturday

Saturday is the last day tax payers will have to pay delinquent taxes without penalty or interest, and county officials urge all who possibly can take advantage of the offer.

Large savings can be effected on these delinquent taxes, ranging as high as 28 per cent for 1929.

The penalty-interest free period declared by the legislature expires Saturday at the regular close of business.

CONCEALMENT OF CRIME IS CHARGED MAN

Supreme Court To Get Case, Says Attorney

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 30—(AP)—Arthur C. Verge, counsel for Winnie Ruth Judd, condemned slayer, said today her case will be carried to the supreme court of the United States.

The appeal will be in the form of a writ of certiorari and will allege, Verge said, that Mrs. Judd failed to receive either a fair and impartial trial in the Arizona superior court or hearing before the Arizona supreme court, which removed her case from the calendar.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 30.—(AP)—J. J. Halloran, Phoenix lumberman and sportsman, was indicted by the grand jury today in connection with the Winnie Ruth Judd murder case and shortly afterward accepted a bench warrant charging he was an accessory in the slaying of Agnes Anne LeRoi and Hedvig Samuelson.

Posts $3,000 Bond

Halloran appeared at the county house almost immediately after the superior court clerk had notified him of a secret indictment and a bench warrant. He posted $2,000 bond and was released pending preliminary hearing next Tuesday.

The charge against the lumberman was based on alleged attempted concealment of a crime. He was not charged with implication in the slayings themselves. The maximum penalty upon conviction would be five years' imprisonment.

Appears Before Jury

The indictment came two days after Winnie Ruth Judd, condemned to die for the slaying of Mrs. LeRoi, and under a second charge of murder in connection with the death of Miss Samuelson, appeared before the grand jury.

Specifically, the true bill charges Halloran "well knowing the said Winnie Ruth Judd to have committed the said crime of murder, and with full knowledge that a felony, to wit murder, had been committed by the said Winnie Ruth Judd, did then and there conceal the commission of said crime from the magistrate and did harbor and protect the person of said Winnie Ruth Judd."

15 Indictments May Be Returned

About 15 indictments against federal prisoners in the Cameron county jail are expected to be returned at the Corpus Christi term of court which opens Monday with Judge Atwell of Dallas on the bench.

H. R. Jefferds, deputy U. S. marshal, and Carlisle Williams, probation officer, will leave here Sunday for the Corpus Christi term of court.

Among those facing possible indictment is Mrs. Belva Wilson of Harlingen, charged with destroying evidence and interferring with officers attempting to execute a search warrant. She recently made a $500 bond set at a preliminary hearing before U. S. Commr. E. K. Goodrich here.

Victim of Collision Remains Unconscious

McALLEN, Dec. 30.—Eustacio Elizondo, 29-year-old truck driver of McAllen, passed his 50th hour of unconsciousness Thursday night after being injured in a collision between two trucks west of Mission Tuesday night.

First New Year Baby Born in City Will Get Many Presents as Gifts From Merchants of Brownsville

The first baby born in Brownsville in 1933 will be a fortunate youngster, for her, or she, will receive many valuable and practical gifts from Brownsville merchants. This is an annual event which has been conducted by The Herald over a span of several years.

This event annually stirs much interest and has proved of a distinct benefit. The storks have staged spirited races in years gone by with several youngsters being born almost as the clock stopped ringing in the New Year.

Among the gifts to be donated by merchants include: Wool worsted knit baby jacket by Manautou, a basket of mixed Valley fruit by A. & G. Market, electrical repair equivalent of $2.50 by The Electric Specialty company, entire family bundle of laundry by The Model Laundry, union connection hose for gas heater by the Rio Grande Valley Gas company, canvas swing by Covacevich Supply company, permanent wave by Amaya's Beauty shop to child's mother, birth announcements printed free by Recio Bros. Printing shop.

The rules of the contest are: Only babies born within Brownsville city limits eligible. Exact hour of birth must be certified on birth certificate by attending physician and the certificate must be in the office of the Herald not later than five p. m. Tuesday, Jan. 3. The winner will be announced in The Herald Jan. 4.

In addition to the above gifts, The Herald will start a $5 bank account for the youngster.

Ex-Beauty, Wife of Former Power In Politics, Now Overalls-Clad As She Guards Famous Old Mine

LEADVILLE, Colo., Dec. 30. (AP)—"Baby Doe" Tabor, once beautiful wife of H. A. W. Tabor, the bonanza king, holds true to a promise to her husband never to relinquish possession of the Matchless mine.

Assured by mining experts there is a vein of rich gold still uncovered in the mine which startled the world with its output of silver in the days when the white metal was valuable, the aged woman guards it with a double-barreled shotgun. She holds possession through the right of homestead although a mortgage on the mine was foreclosed several years ago.

"Two attempts have been made to burn me out," said Mrs. Tabor. "Some person or persons came stealthily upon my property during the night and set fire to some of the outbuildings in the hope of driving me out. There are many who doubt this statement, but since the last fire I have taken every precaution. I am prepared.

"My husband's last words and request before he died was that the title to the Matchless mine should never leave my name. He said the mine contained more wealth in it than had ever been taken out.

"During the mine's operations in the past the men erected a huge bulkhead which they claimed was for the purpose of eliminating a cave-in, but I know better. It was placed there to keep prying eyes from discovering a great sulphite vein which had not been uncover-

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