

The Weather

IN THE DAY'S NEWS—

There are more than fifty streams in Oklahoma called "Sand Creek." In skinless frankfurters have made their appearance in the meat market. The disposition of the White House dogs is to be left entirely to Mrs. Coolidge.

Twice as many married women work in the United States today as in 1890. Belle Star Mountain near Hartsborne, Okla., was named for a famous outlaw.

Approximately \$1,000,000,000 has been spent in drilling dry holes in the United States.

Chicago doctors have found a serum which is expected to prevent and cure hydrophobia.

The New Zealand government pays a pension to its citizens after they reach the age of 65.

Mexico sends more students to the University of Oklahoma than any other foreign country.

A world conference on new education is to be held Aug. 8 to 21, at Elsinore, Denmark.

King George is roused at 8 o'clock every morning by a Scottish piper who plays beneath his window.

Princess de Braganza of Portugal recently lost jewels worth \$20,000 on a train between Florida and New York.

A bakery built about 4000 B. C. has been found in Mesopotamia by the Oxford University-Field Museum joint expedition.

A total of \$4,392,021 has been allocated by the Secretary of Agriculture as federal aid for road construction in Missouri.

By actual count, Tito Schipa, famous tenor, appeared before more than a million people in one season's concerts.

Airplanes are now being used by growers of fruits and flowers in Holland to transport their products to European markets.

More than half of 624 four-year colleges and universities in the United States are under the control of denominational bodies.

H. T. Carlton, 23, was a messenger boy 8 years ago, but now he has paid \$185,000 for a seat on the New York Curb Stock Exchange.

A measure providing for the manufacture of 2.75 per cent beer passed the assembly in Wisconsin, Friday, and now goes to the governor.

Mrs. Theodore Booth Montee, daughter of Gen. Ballington Boone of the Salvation Army, was granted divorce in Reno last month.

An umbrella garage is a late innovation in a Chicago drug store for the convenience of patrons caught in the down town district by unexpected showers.

Former governor Arthur M. Hyde, chosen as secretary of agriculture by President Hoover, will be the eleventh Missourian to sit in a presidential cabinet.

Liquor said to have been manufactured in Peoria, Ill., by a new process has killed thirteen persons in that section of Illinois in the last forty-eight hours.

Eighty-one per cent of the automobiles, and fifty-two per cent of the motorcycles registered in 1927 in the Fiji Islands were of American manufacture.

A plan for building a subway across the Sahara has been submitted to a French committee which is now considering plans for a railroad across the desert.

English has been adopted as the official language to be used by Finland's Students Corps Union in its correspondence with foreign student organizations and societies.

When rescue squads, after a month of fighting through heavy snow drifts, reached the snowbound Russian village, they found twenty-five persons starved to death and the rest of the population nearly exhausted.

Miss Esther Koppe, a stenographer of Ferguson Falls, Minn., has won a Supreme Court decision in that state for \$50 for damages sustained when she lifted her hand and in some way sprained her wrist.

One of the fastest knockouts known occurred when Jesse Calkin of Springfield, Mo., put his opponent to sleep in fifteen seconds in a bout in East St. Louis Saturday night; ten seconds of this time were used in counting the man out.

There are seven regions of salt plains in western Oklahoma containing solution of salt brine, now being used to estimate by state geologists to be sufficient in amount to manufacture 100 carloads of salt a day.

The Bank of Kirksville took over the Farmers State Bank of Greentop, Adair County, Saturday, S. L. Cantley, state finance commissioner announced. The Greentop Bank had a capital of \$50,000 and resources of \$150,000.

—AND SOME HUMOR

Benevolent Visitor: "Do any of your friends ever come to see you?" Convict: "No, ma'am, they're all here with me."

COMMENTS ON LIFE—

The political problem of mankind to combine three things: economic efficiency, social justice and individual liberty.—J. M. Keynes. There has come a widespread realization that the welfare of agriculture is essential to the well-being of the urban population, and vice versa.—W. M. Jardine.

—AND SOME VERSE

Three things there be that seem to me the lowliest, as life runs by: The endless legend of the grass, The sunlight on a green morass, And the great silence of the sky." —Selected

FIRE DAMAGES THEATER WALLS AND INTERIOR

Stage and Scenery of the "Columbia" Are Burned

BLAZE'S ORIGIN UNKNOWN

No Estimate of Loss Yet Made—Investigation Under Way

Fire of unknown origin last night destroyed the stage and scenery of the Columbia Theater and damaged the interior of the entire building. The fire, which was discovered about 9:15 o'clock in the basement beneath the stage, had gained considerable headway before the fire department arrived.

The large asbestos curtain on the stage was lowered and cut off the draft from the front of the building and aided the firemen in confining the fire to the stage. However, the fire burned through the stage floor catching the scenery and framework along the wall and shot up to the roof. Parts of the roof had already been removed to enable the firemen to get a stream of water inside and also to allow smoke to get out.

The flames were confined to the auditorium of the theater. Smoke which filled the entire building poured from the windows and doors along the front of the building and from the outside it appeared that the whole building was on fire. The fire was well under control by 11 o'clock but much smoke was still issuing from the building. Tom Walden, fire chief, has been unable to make an investigation because of the water in the basement.

An unidentified student received a minor scalp wound when he was struck on the head by falling debris from the top of the building. A stage hand who spends much of his time there was believed to be trapped by the flames, but was later found safe outside the building.

A reliable estimate of the damage has not been made, but the loss is fully covered by insurance. The claim adjuster, the insurance company adjuster in Columbia this morning and an estimate can not be made until his investigation has been completed.

A new set of living room furniture, stage property, was ruined. The furniture had been borrowed from the Parker Furniture Company for use in the production of "Aunt Lucia," and later bought by W. R. Karsteter, manager of the theater.

The management of the Columbia Theater leases the building from the Columbia Theater Company and plans for rebuilding and remodeling will not be made until a meeting of the company is held.

HIRTH SAYS HE IS STILL GROGGY

Columbian Gives Views on Appointment of Hyde

Commenting upon the selection of former-governor Arthur M. Hyde as the new Secretary of Agriculture by President Hoover, William Hirth, president of the Missouri Farmers' Association, gave out the following statement to the press today.

"Early Saturday morning a friend of mine at Des Moines, Iowa, called me up and asked me what I thought of Ex-Governor Arthur M. Hyde as the next Secretary of Agriculture and it was such a knockout that when I finally became convinced that he was serious I was almost rendered unconscious, and I am still groggy. And in saying this I have no desire to reflect upon Governor Hyde in the slightest degree, on the contrary I cordially congratulate him upon the high honor which has been conferred upon him and as a Missourian I appreciate the confidence of the state.

"My sense of astonishment comes largely from the fact that ordinarily a secretary of agriculture is selected because of his intimate knowledge, in one way or another, of this great basic industry. Even so, however, the President could have gone farther and done much worse, for at least Governor Hyde has a first hand knowledge of the profoundly distressing conditions which surround the farmer, and also, happily he is not involved in the bitter controversy which has divided the farm leaders of the country, and especially those of the Corn Belt, during the last several years, and in these premises the new secretary is, therefore, in position to pour oil on the troubled waters. Meanwhile 'handsome as handsome does', and if Governor Hyde will buck up to the President and insist that the government shall guarantee the same equality of opportunity to the farmer that it has vouchsafed to our manufacturers, bankers, railroads, etc., through the tariff and other special legislation, then the farmers of the state will be glad to see him in the White House."

A. R. Troxell is a Candidate. In the list of those who have filed as candidates for city office the name of A. R. Troxell, a candidate for the office of city attorney, was unintentionally omitted in the Missouriian Saturday. Mr. Troxell has made an active canvass for the office and filed his candidacy early.

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Aguirre declared the revolt to be "open but bloodless." Aguirre seized the customs house, where customs receipts were sent Sunday, and dismissed federal employees. He declared he is joined in the move by twelve other west-coast states.

C. C. EDUCATIONAL TOUR COMPLETED. Group Returns From a Trip to Washington and New York. Students and members of the faculty of Christian College who were on the annual tour, returned to Columbia Saturday from an educational trip to New York and Washington. High points of the trip were visits to national shrines, seeing Congress in session, meeting celebrities, and making daily bus trips.

The party was received in New York City by the acting mayor. A group picture was taken showing President E. D. Lee shaking hands with the mayor.

President Coolidge received twenty-five of the party at the White House Wednesday. This courtesy was arranged by congressmen friends of the girls. Friday was spent at Fort Monroe, where by the invitation of the officers the party took breakfast and lunch at the officers' headquarters.

FEBRUARY SHOWS RECORD COLDNESS. Mean Temperature of 25.4 One of Five Lowest Since 1889. Only four Februaries since 1889 have been colder than February of this year, according to the records of the United States Weather Bureau here. They were in 1895, 1899, 1902, and 1905.

The mean temperature of February, this year, was 25.4 degrees, or 6.3 degrees lower than the normal temperature of 31.7 degrees. On the 10th the mercury fell to 5 degrees below zero for the lowest mark; and on the 17th it climbed from 20 degrees to 58 degrees for the highest reading of February, and also marked the greatest daily change. The lowest temperature for one day ever recorded for February was 26 degrees below zero in 1899; yet in 1905 the mean temperature for the entire month was 20 degrees, or more than 11 degrees below normal.

The total precipitation was 1.01 inches less than the normal figure of 2.04 inches and showed an accumulated deficiency of 0.86 inch since Jan. 1 this year. The normal snowfall is about 7 inches while the actual total was 3.5 inches, which seems negligible when compared with the record total snowfall of over 20 inches that fell during February, 1900. The greatest snowfall in 24 hours was on the 4th when 1.7 inches fell.

There was a total of 150 sunshine hours during the month with only seven clear days, six partly cloudy days, and fifteen cloudy days with nine of the latter having 0.01 inch or more precipitation and only one having 0.25 inch or more precipitation. The normal average is eight cloudy days with 0.01 inch precipitation, and four with 0.25 inch precipitation for a total of twelve cloudy days for February.

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The Way of Our World

For Columbia and vicinity: Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday; not much change in temperature lowest tonight about 30.

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Shippers forecast: Within a radius of 200 miles of Columbia the lowest temperatures are expected to be near the freezing point all directions.

Weather Conditions: Rain has been general and continued this morning over most of the country from east Texas to Florida thence up the coast to Virginia. It was cloudy and threatening at Washington City but not actually raining. The rain area takes in all the lower part of the Mississippi Valley and all of the Ohio Valley. It is heavy with floods in parts of Alabama and Georgia. Temperatures are reasonable for the different latitudes running from the Gulf coast to the Canadian border, and no decided changes are indicated. The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 48 and the lowest last night was 28.

WORK STARTED ON LIGHTING OF AIR MAIL ROUTE

Supplies for St. Louis-Kansas City Line Are Here

JOB TO TAKE 4 MONTHS

Columbia May Not Get First Beacon as Formerly Planned

Actual construction work on the lighting of the air mail route between St. Louis and Kansas City has been started, according to Roy Alder, superintendent of the job for the A. C. Rice Company. The work had been held up pending the arrival of a truckload of supplies. Joe Irvine arrived with the truck several days ago after an eleven-day trip from Santa Ana, Calif.

Alder formerly planned to construct the first beacon on the route in Columbia, but, because of the delay in getting a government inspector on the job, it may be necessary to construct some of the other beacons before work on the local one is started.

The contract, which was issued through the Department of Commerce, calls for the construction of seven emergency landing fields, each to be equipped with twenty-five boundary lights and a beacon light. The emergency lights are spaced 200 feet apart. The beacon light, which will revolve on top of a fifty-one-foot tower, is of the 1000-watt 2,000,000-candlepower type. Twenty of these beacons will be erected, spaced ten air miles apart.

Two flood lights will be placed on each of these beacon towers. They will be tinted red at all sites except those of emergency fields where the color will be amber. Sixteen of the beacons will be of the commercial type using current from near-by light companies. The other four will have their own direct-current generating plants.

The A. C. Rice Company, which has this contract, has held the contracts for lighting several of the emergency air mail routes in California. It is expected that all the work will be done on this route by the latter part of June. Regular air mail service will probably start over the route immediately upon the completion of the lighting system.

FORMER RANGER TO LECTURE

Will Talk Here March 12 on Southwest Cliff-dwellers. Arthur W. Monroe, a former United States ranger in the Mesa Verde National Park, will give an illustrated lecture in the University Auditorium on Tuesday night, March 12, at 8 o'clock on "The Land of the Vanished Footsteps," according to an announcement this morning from President Stratton D. Brooks' office.

The lecture will be upon the life of prehistoric men of the Southwest. Stereopticon slides will be shown of prehistoric ruins in Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, and Mesa Verde Park. Mr. Monroe as ranger had charge of the ruins in the park for several years.

Mr. Monroe is being brought to Columbia under the auspices of the University Committee on Assembly Lectures, of which Prof. J. W. Hudson is chairman.

WILLIAMS' FERG FARMER DIES

O. M. Eads Succumbed to Heart Disease at County Hospital Yesterday. O. M. Eads, 53, a farmer who lived near Williamsburg, died of heart disease yesterday morning at the Boone County Hospital.

Mr. Eads, who spent most of his life near Fulton, had been at the hospital since Feb. 1. He is survived by a son, John L. Eads, of Hannibal; a daughter, Mrs. E. T. Miller, of Fulton; a brother, L. M. Eads, and a sister, Mrs. J. W. Bailey, both of Fulton.

The body was sent this afternoon to Pulaski, Ill., where funeral services will be conducted Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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The New Leaders of the Nation



President Hoover



Vice-President Curtis

Two orphan boys who worked their own way upward to fame are today the president and vice-president of the United States, Herbert Hoover (left) and Charles Curtis, the new leaders of the nation. President Hoover began life as the son of an Iowa blacksmith and was orphaned by the time he was 10 years old. Vice-president Curtis, of Indiana descent, began life as a boy on an Indian reservation in Kansas and was likewise orphaned at an early age. Their successful careers and rise to fame are thoroughly in keeping with the finest traditions of a land that has always boasted of equal opportunity for all.

REVOLUTIONIST FORCES OCCUPY MEXICAN CITIES

Rebels Take Nogales and Vera Cruz in Outbreak

UPRISING IS WIDESPREAD

Troops Are Ordered to Scene—Calles Is War Secretary

WASHINGTON, March 4 (U.P.)—Mexican rebel forces under the command of Gen. Jusu Aguirre have taken Vera Cruz and Nogales, according to official advices received from the Mexican foreign office at the embassy here early today.

Mexican Ambassador Manuel Telles told the United Press that he was informing the State Department here that the ports of Vera Cruz, Nogales and Augua Prieta have been closed.

Government Troops to Vera Cruz. MEXICO CITY, March 4 (U.P.)—The government is sending a strong military force to Vera Cruz, where a military revolt broke out yesterday simultaneously with an armed uprising in the state of Sonora and other western coast states, according to an official announcement this morning.

Gen. Gonzalo Escobar is on the way from Coahuila to Mexico City with federal reinforcements to combat the rebels who are under the direction of Gen. Francisco Manzo and Gov. Puasto Topete of Sonora. It was officially denied that the state of Coahuila was in revolt.

Calles Is Made Secretary of War. Intensive preparations to suppress the rebellion were made by former President Plutarco Elias Calles, who was called from private life last night by President Emilio Portes Gil. Calles was made secretary of war, replacing Joaquin Amar. Amar's removal was not explained fully although he has recently been ill and left his sick bed yesterday to confer with the president.

The president issued a statement, reviewing the recent political events leading up to the declaration of rebellion in Sonora and Vera Cruz and revealing the carefully laid plans of the rebel leaders.

The statement said the government had been informed that the revolution which broke up the National Revolutionary party convention last week, when the delegates met to select a nominee for constitutional president, Pascual Ortiz Rubio held a majority of votes after the withdrawal of Gov. Aaron Saenz of Nuevo Leon, because of disagreement over seating of delegates.

"The falseness and inconsistency of this pretext is evident," said the president's statement. Censorship has been established both at Mexico City and at Vera Cruz. The Western Union office announced.

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In Hoover's Address

By United Press

"The most malign of all these dangers (which confront this country) today is disregard and disobedience of law."

"There would be little traffic in illegal liquor if only criminals respected the law. We must not be lulled by the fact that the penalties from large numbers of law-abiding citizens is supplying the rewards and stimulating crime."

"Through liberation from widespread poverty we have reached a higher degree of individual freedom than ever before."

"I have been selected by you to execute and enforce the laws of the country. I propose to do so to the extent of my own abilities, but the measure of success that the government shall attain will depend upon the moral support which you, as citizens, extend."

"Our whole system of self-government will crumble either if officials elect what laws they will enforce or citizens elect what laws they will support."

"Regulation of private enterprise and not government ownership or operation is the course rightly to be pursued in our relation to business."

"Progress is born of co-operation in the community—not from government restraints."

"We have need further to perfect the means by which government can be adapted to human service."

"The whole world is at peace. The dangers to a continuation of this peace today are largely fear and suspicion which still haunt the world. No suspicion or fear can be rightly directed against our country."

"The animosities of elections should have no place in our government for government must concern itself alone with the common weal."

Nation Without Executive. By United Press

The nation was without a president or vice-president for twelve minutes today. The retiring president and vice-president both got out of office at 12 noon, according to most interpretations of the Constitution, and the new vice-president usually is sworn in before noon so that there will be no gap in the executive authority should there be delay in inaugurating the new president. But Senator Curtis did not take the oath of office until 12:12 o'clock today.

CITY COUNCIL TO HEAR BIDS

Estimates on Garbage Disposal and Sewer Laying to Come Up. Bids for garbage disposal will be heard at the meeting of the City Council tonight. It is probable that the matter of extending the city limits will come up again, according to J. S. Bicknell, city clerk.

Bids will be received for the construction of additional sewers in District No. 45.

Richmond Out of Hospital. Capt. Vane Richmond was discharged today from the University Hospital. The "powerful captain," as he is often called, will have to wear a cast for two months as a reminder of his stay in the hospital with a broken right ankle which he sustained in the basement of his home, 801 College Avenue.

Richmond was delivering his speech, thousands deserted the unprotected places and sought shelter, but by far the greater number remained. Most of them had the foresight to bring umbrellas, and those who had newspapers covered their heads with them.

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HOOPER TAKES OATH OF OFFICE AS RAIN FALLS

Ceremony Halts When "First Ladies" Are Lost in Crowd

TAFT ADMINISTERED OATH

Coolidge First to Give Congratulations to New President

WASHINGTON, March 4 (U.P.)—Following is the hour-by-hour schedule for inaugural ceremonies: 11 a.m.—Senate Doors open. 11:30—Presidential party leaves White House for Capitol. 12 noon—Vice-President Curtis takes oath of office. 1 p.m.—Mr. Hoover takes oath of office. 1:45—Mr. and Mrs. Hoover, Mr. Curtis and Mrs. Gann, his sister, return to White House for lunch while Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge go to Union Station to leave for Northampton, Mass. 2—Parade starts. 2:15—Aerial parade begins. 2:45—Presidential party enters reviewing stand near White House. 4:30—Mr. and Mrs. Hoover return to White House. 8 p.m.—Fireworks display on monument grounds. 9 p.m.—Inaugural charity ball opens.

Cabinet Names to Senate Tomorrow. WASHINGTON, March 4 (U.P.)—Nominations to Mr. Hoover's Cabinet will not be sent to the Senate until tomorrow it was learned authoritatively by the United Press.

WASHINGTON, March 4 (U.P.)—A boy who first saw daylight in a humble Iowa house assumed the nation's most powerful office today when Herbert Hoover became America's thirtieth president at 1:07 o'clock.

The new president took the oath of office with a plea for law observance, stressing particularly enforcement of the Volstead act.

Facing thousands of his fellow citizens who came to do him honor, Mr. Hoover was sworn in by Chief Justice Taft of the United States Supreme Court and up to that moment the only living ex-president of the United States.

Ceremony Delayed. President Hoover swore to uphold the constitution of the land over which his illustrious predecessors—Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and Wilson—have presided, while standing under the shadow of the capitol dome.

The whole crowd stood while Mr. Hoover took the oath. A delay in starting the ceremony was caused by the absence of Mrs. Coolidge and Mrs. Hoover, who became lost in the crowd en route from the Senate chamber. Mr. Hoover snapped his fingers and reached to fumble with keys in his pocket, obvious impatience the delay. The two first ladies received a demonstration from the crowd when they finally took their seats.

Mrs. Hoover sat beside her husband on one side of the center aisle of the platform, and Mrs. Coolidge with Mr. Coolidge on the other side.

Rain Falls Steadily. Although the elements conspired to give the thirtieth president a dark greeting, the ovation he received from thousands of massed citizens standing below him more than compensated for nature's sudden welcome.

Brightly colored slickers mingled with silk hats and formal attire protected by umbrellas. The crowd was in jolly mood and apparently did not mind the bad weather.

Drops of rain beat directly into the faces of both chief justice Taft, who administered the oath, and Mr. Hoover.

Mr. Coolidge reached up to shake hands with his successor as Mr. Hoover drew a copy of his inaugural speech from his pocket and faced the crowd.

Mr. Hoover read in a clear voice, seldom looking up at the crowd. He did not appear to be disturbed by the increasingly heavy drizzle although he kept on his overcoat.