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TUESDAY FAIR
Fair tonight and Tuesday; not much change in temperature.

TEMPERATURES MIDNIGHT TO NOON

Hour	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Temp.	62	61	59	58	58	57	56	58	61	63	65	63	64

Highest year ago, 74; lowest, 54.

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City to Employ 200 All Winter On Sewage Project

POLICE SLAYER'S PALS HUNTED

CITY TO EMPLOY 200 ON SEWER INTERCEPTORS

Work on New Sewage Disposal Plant to Start in November

JOBS TO ROTATE DURING WINTER

18,000 Feet of Construction Will Cost Close to $450,000

Two hundred men will be employed throughout the winter, starting in November, on construction of 18,000 feet of interceptors along the river bank, first unit of the city's new sewage disposal system, Carl Illstrup, city sewer engineer, announced today.

The project will cost between $400,000 and $450,000, and as much will be completed during the winter as weather conditions will permit, Mr. Illstrup said.

Will Rotate Crews

Laying of the interceptors will be carried out by the city in advance of final decision as to whether a Minneapolis disposal plant is to be built or whether the city is to join with St. Paul in constructing a joint plant.

"Under present plans we will get started with the first interceptor early in November, and work will be carried on right through the winter," Mr. Illstrup said. "We will use 200 men, and the crews will be rotated to provide short stretches of work for as many idle men as possible.

To Start in Camden

"The unit to be built first will be started in Camden Place at the point where Shingle creek empties into the Mississippi. It will follow First or Second streets to a point near Eighth avenue N., where it will connect with the north side sewer tunnel. It then will be carried through the loop to Eighth avenue S.

"The first unit will end there until it is decided whether a Minneapolis or a joint plant is to be built. This first unit will be partly of 42-inch and partly of 54-inch pipe.

"Although we had first planned to do little building of interceptors during the winter, we now feel as much as possible should be done in this line to provide work for the city's unemployed during the winter months. Additional interceptors probably will be started early in the spring."

FOSHAY SALARY CLAIMS GRANTED 270 EMPLOYES

Stringer's Decision Gives Workers Pay, Commissions Refused

More than 270 employes of the W. B. Foshay company will receive approximately $10,000 in wages due them for services prior to the receivership Nov. 1, 1929, under a decision handed down today by E. S. Stringer, special master in chancery.

Mr. Stringer held that employes' claims against the Foshay company should be included in preferred claims, which insures their receiving the full amount due them. At the same time he disallowed commission claims as preference claims, holding they should be included in the regular claims. These numbered about 90, totaling about $35,000.

Some Fail to File

A few employes failed to file salary claims following the receivership, and these of course cannot receive their wages, W. B. Movey of counsel for the receiver said today. The wages will be paid the 270-odd employes as soon as a few other legal matters have been settled.

Prior to the receivership, the Foshay company paid most of its employes each Saturday. Since the receivership occurred on a Friday, these employes failed to get their wages for the five days previous. Practically all the salary claims allowed are for that period, although a few extend over a longer period.

Employes affected by this order were located in offices of the W. B. Foshay company in all parts of the United States, but most of them worked in the Minneapolis headquarters office.

SEEK STOLEN BOTTLES

Police today were looking for 72 new empty half-gallon bottles which were stolen from the Chippewa Spring Company, 117 Colfax avenue N.

Principals in Policeman, Bandit Killings

The police department today stood avenged on a bandit who killed a patrolman in a spectacular pistol battle early Sunday. The bandit was slain an hour later by another police officer. At left above is Patrolman A. J. Des Lauriers, who killed the bandit, Magnus Opdahl of St. Paul, (center) shortly after the man had taken the life of Patrolman Clayton Olson (right) in a gun duel. A full page of pictures showing the killer hunt and those who figured in it, together with photographs of Mrs. Olson and her daughter, and the dead policeman's home, will be found inside.

WICKERSHAM COMMISSION RAPS POLICE 'THIRD DEGREE'

Abuse of Prisoners to Gain Confessions Declared Shocking

Other details on inside page.

Washington, Aug. 10.—President Hoover's law enforcement commission today roundly condemned the time-honored American police custom of "third degreeing" confessions out of prisoners as "shocking in its character and extent, and violative of American traditions and institutions."

In a report to the White House revealing the "naked, ugly facts," concerning this brutal and lawless practice, the commission called upon public opinion to crystallize and effectively outlaw the rubber hose and the copper's fist from the star-chamber sessions in the nation's police stations.

Confessions Gained by Torture

Unbelievable vicious and inhuman methods of torture were found to have been inflicted by law enforcement officers in their efforts to force confessions from prisoners.

With fist, strap, cat-o-nine-tails, rubber hose, telephone book, heavy-shod boots and "dread water cure," statements have been wrung from citizens they were guilty as accused. Although there are indications phys-

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WINE BRICKS ON SALE HERE

Distributors Claim Sales Will Be Within Law

Wine bricks, made of juice compounds which produce alcoholic drinks if not consumed in five days, went on sale in Minneapolis and St. Paul today.

Distributed by a local coffee company, the bricks were being offered for sale both in Minneapolis and in St. Paul. Although prohibition agents seized the bricks when they went on sale in New York city, distributors here claimed their sales will be within the law.

M. L. Harney, northwest prohibition administrator, who declared he had no knowledge of the sale of wine bricks in Minneapolis or St. Paul, said no action would be taken until agents made a thorough investigation of their distribution here.

In the circulars distributed by the coffee company, methods by which the wine bricks may be prevented from fermenting are stressed.

Federal Prohibition Director Amos W. W. Woodcock said today in Washington that any concern which sells "wine bricks" with intent that they be used for making wine, is violating the law. At the same time, he admitted it is difficult, as a practical matter, to prove intent to violate the law in selling grape concentrate that is not alcoholic at the time it is sold.

PETERSON BALKS AT DOCK DEBATE WITH ATTORNEY

Declares Orfield 'Misrepresented Every Provision' of Act

Alderman Peterson's answer to Charles F. Keyes is printed on inside page.

Declaring H. M. Orfield, attorney, has "misrepresented every provision" of the coal dock ordinance, Alderman John Peterson today refused to debate with the opponent of the franchise and said he considers him "unworthy of any consideration in matters pertaining to this subject."

The alderman said, however, he would be willing to discuss the dock francise with some other person, "preefrably one who represents the coal trust or the railroads."

Declines to Debate

"I have received your challenge to debate the merits of the lease granted the Kanawha-Mississippi Coal company," Mr. Peterson wrote. "What do you mean by merits? Have you ever written or spoken a word of merit relative to the terms and provisions of this ordinance? None has appeared in print nor have I heard any mentioned by you before any group or individual. On the other hand, you have represented the ordinance so unfairly that I judge you unworthy of any consideration in matters pertaining to this subject. Therefore I decline to meet you anywhere, either to engage in conversation or public debate.

"However, I will meet any fair-minded person in a debate, preferably one that represents the coal trust or the railroads."

5,000 Sign Petition

Mr. Orfield, as chairman of the Citizens Coal Dock Referendum league, has been circulating petitions asking that the franchise be repealed by popular vote. He said today some 5,000 persons have signed the petitions.

A total of 12,500 signers must be obtained by Saturday in order to authorize the referendum.

MRS. ROSS DUNPHY KILLED IN CRASH

Mrs. Ross Dunphy, 3601 Thirty-fourth avenue S., was instantly killed when the automobile driven by her husband collided with a machine driven by Cecil Pearson, Sacred Heart, Minn., on the highway between Montevideo and Sacred Heart. Mr. Dunphy suffered a fractured elbow and was treated at a hospital at Montevideo. Pearson escaped with superficial injuries.

Mrs. Dunphy's body was to be brought back to Minneapolis today. Funeral arrangements have not been completed. It was reported the accident occurred while Mr. and Mrs. Dunphy were on their way to a lake resort to spend Sunday.

Bride Buys Off Charivari Gang With 'Ham and'

The bridal pair, Mr. and Mrs. Arvo Juoni, Marengo, Wis., who finally surrendered after a 15-day-and-night seige by charivarists. Ham sandwiches and coffee was the tribute paid by the bride to the crowd of noise-makers after the governor, the sheriff and the district attorney had taken a hand in the negotiations. The couple had appealed to Gov. Phillip La Follette.

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GRANDMOTHER KILLED, 18 HURT IN 35 ACCIDENTS

Four Jailed as Drunken Drivers Over the Week-end

A 71-year-old woman was dead in Minneapolis today, 18 other persons were injured, one a woman 26 years old in General hospital in critical condition, and four men were jailed charged with driving while drunk following 35 weekend traffic accidents.

In St. Paul, three persons were killed, including a mother and her 5-year-old daughter, struck while crossing the street by one automobile and hurled into the path of another, and an aged man, run down in front of his home.

Grandmother Killed

Mrs. Katherine McDonald, 71, 23 Seventh avenue N., Hopkins, was instantly killed when the car in which she was riding collided with another driven by Harry Heggren, 1351 Nicollet avenue, at Pillsbury avenue and Twenty-fourth street, resulting in injuries to five other persons. Her husband, Daniel McWonald, 81, was severely cut and bruised; her son, A. J. McDonald; her grandson, Robert

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TAX VALUES GO UP $2,000,000

Equalization Board to Complete Work and File Report

Between $1,000,000 and $2,000,000 today had been added to personal property valuations in Minneapolis by the board of equalization as members prepared to complete their work Tuesday.

The board will report to the city council, Thursday. It is understood this report will include recommendation that the board be authorized to meet every five years for a period of at least six months.

Members of the board, discussing their work today, asserted they had been able to do little more than "scratch the surface" in the few weeks they have been meeting. Only the most striking cases had been considered in the limited time available, whereas a thorough investigation would have made it possible to increase many more personal property valuations, they said.

Notices have been sent to 253 residents, informing them of increases in valuations set by the board.

MAN KILLED IN ROW OVER 20 CENTS

Chicago, Aug. 10.—(INS)—Jesse Miller, Negro, was in the custody of police today, charged with killing Sully Dyer in an argument over 20 cents. They were shooting for the money in a crap game.

N.W. GRAIN UNIT TAKES AID FROM FEDERAL BOARD

Temporary Arrangement Is Made Following Conference Here

HOPE TO REACH FINAL AGREEMENT

Further Meetings to Be Held to Arrive at Understanding

Agreeing to accept temporary financial aid from the Farmers' National Grain corporation, federal farm board agency, directors of the Northwest Grain association today still faced the problem of a permanent settlement of its controversy with the farm board agency.

The present arrangement, made after two days of conferences between directors and C. E. Huff, president of Farmers' National, is only temporary, it was explained today. The question of the farm board agency's taking over the northwest organization's grain marketing activities still remains to be settled, and it is this problem that brought protests from all major co-operatives in the northwest, except the Farmers' Union Terminal association.

To Confer Again

Further conferences will be necessary, but none have been arranged as yet. Meanwhile, directors of the Northwest Grain association met today to consider a few minor matters still unsettled. Mr. Huff was back in Chicago today, having left here at the conclusion of the Sunday meeting.

"After due discussion by our ex-

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BANDIT AND PATROLMAN ARE KILLED

Eye-witnesses Declare Two Accomplices Fired From Car at Fallen Officer, Clayton Olson, as Magnus Opdahl Engaged Him in Gun Battle, and Then Fled Toward St. Paul Without Waiting for Slayer

POLICEMAN DES LAURIERS KILLS GUNMAN HOUR AFTER MURDER

Bystander Grabs Up Dead Officer's Gun and Pursues Killer, Who Is Cornered Later Only Block From Scene of His Crime and Shot as He Again Draws Gun—Dies in Hospital

Police today were searching for two alleged accomplices of Magnus Opdahl, bandit suspect killed by a policeman early Sunday at Twenty-eighth avenue S. and Lake street, after he had shot and killed Patrolman Clayton Olson, following reports of witnesses that two men in a "big black sedan" fired on Olson after Opdahl had shot him, and then fled in their car toward St. Paul.

Slayer Killed by Policeman

The bandit suspect, who lived at 1434 Stanford avenue, St. Paul, was shot and killed a block from where he had slain Patrolman Olson, an hour after the first shooting, by Patrolman A. J. Des Lauriers, who had the killer pointed out to him by a newsboy, and a man who saw Olson shot down.

Des Lauriers emptied two charges from a sawed-off shotgun at the slayer as William J. Meehan, superintendent of police who had been personally conducting the search for the killer, rushed toward them 100 feet away.

Opdahl died in General hospital a short time later without regaining consciousness with more than 20 wounds in his body, some of them believed to have been inflicted by Olson before he dropped.

Two Men Speed Away

Police today were given the clue that started them in search of Opdahl's alleged accomplices by A. G. Haggberg, 2818 E. Lake street, who witnessed the gun battle between Patrolman Olson and the slayer from a window of his home. Hearing shots, Haggberg said he looked out the window and saw Opdahl running down the alley at the rear of his home.

"I heard two or three more shots evidently fired by Patrolman Olson, whom I could not see, and then there was a regular volley of shots that came from the other side of Lake street," Haggberg said.

"I ran to the front door and saw two men in a large black sedan which immediately sped away toward St. Paul."

Pursues Slayer

Another witness, Robert Wyatt, 21 years old, 3239 Thirty-sixth avenue S., who had bravely grabbed Patrolman Olson's gun and started after the slayer only to find the gun was empty, confirmed Haggberg's story and said he believed the men in the

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Slain Officer's Widow Gets $500 Given by Other Members of Force

Mrs. Clayton Olson, widow of the policeman slain by a bandit suspect early Sunday, today received a check for $500 from members of the Minneapolis police department, first payment of a sum which represents $1 donated by each man in the department. She will be given a second check representing contributions by the other members. This will be about $49.

In addition, Mrs. Olson will receive $1,500 insurance money from the Police Benevolent Fund, maintained by members of the department themselves. The police pension fund will pay Mrs. Olson $40 a month as long as she remains a widow, and an additional $10 a month will be paid her for support of her one daughter until the child reaches the age of 16 years.

This represents the entire benefits the widow will receive from the city and police department employes as a result of her husband's death.

Widow, Child Mourn in Home Bought Week Ago

Military Funeral Is Planned for Slain Policeman

Mrs. Clayton Olson, widow of the patrolman killed Sunday in a gun battle with a bandit, faced a bleak prospect today as she surveyed with sorrowful eyes the little home purchased only a week ago.

Only one payment has been made upon the house at 5344 Fifty-seventh avenue, and that was raised by means of a loan on the policeman's wartime adjusted compensation certificate. He expected to complete the purchase by regular installments from his earnings.

Mrs. Olson now has little interest in her plans for completing the furnishing of the house, plans which she made delightedly during the years she had been looking forward to having a home all her own. The curtains had not been fitted to the windows and many other details still await attention, but the widow of the 36-year-old patrolman has scant hope now of "carrying on" as before.

The blow was almost too much for Mrs. Olson and her four-year-old daughter, Beverly. They can't seem to realize yet that "Daddy" is dead.

"It can't be true," she said when the news was brought to her early Sunday.

Beverly, unable to comprehend the blow that had fallen, tried vainly to comfort her mother.

Plan Military Funeral

The patrolman was born in Norman, Iowa, and had lived in Minneapolis since he was 14 years old. He served in France two years during the World war, and six years ago was married. Besides his wife and daughter he is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs Knut Olson, three brothers, Clyde, Franklin and Russell, and four sisters, Mrs. William T. Bloomer, Mrs. B. E. Johnson, Mrs. W. R. Letcher and Winnifred Olson.

Plans were made today for a military funeral with six other policemen as pallbearers. They will be Robert Little, David Little, George Peters, Donald R. Nord, C. A. Wilson, and Joseph Kolars. The services will be held at Crystal Lake chapel Tuesday at 2 p.m. with burial in Crystal Lake cemetery.

CRAMER FEARED LOST IN OCEAN

American Flyer Vanishes After Leaving Shetland Islands

Copenhagen, Aug. 10.—Grave anxiety was felt by Danish officials today over the safety of Parker D. Cramer, American airman, missing since he took off from the Shetland islands yesterday for Norway.

After successfully flying across the sub-Arctic oceans in his trip from Detroit to map an air mail route from America to Europe, Cramer encountered heavy storms and it was feared he had been forced down in raging seas somewhere between the Shetlands and Denmark, a distance of 550 miles.

It was pointed out that he might have made a descent in one of the numerous isolated fjords of Norway. All Danish and Norwegian wireless stations made frantic attempts to establish communication with Cramer's oil burning plane but without success. Wireless operators said they heard an American voice saying "Hello! Hello!" and were able to distinguish the word "Norway," but unable to determine from where the signal came.

ENGLAND NOTES FROST

London, Aug. 10.—(INS)—England, retaining its reputation for contrary weather, noticed a ground frost in various sections today.

Detective's Mother Only Eye-witness to Police Slaying

Mrs. Emma Jones, 2818 E. Lake street, mother of Detective E. R. Jones of the East Side police station, was an eye witness of the pistol battle between Patrolman Clayton Olson and Magnus Opdahl, it was learned late today, when she gave her version of the killing of the policeman.

Mrs. Jones, who had arisen early to attend a sick relative, heard a noise in the alley alongside her home. Looking out, she saw Olson chasing the bandit, who ran around the rear of her home to the side of the building occupied by A. T. Haggberg. The fleeing man attempted to cross the street to a waiting car, she said, but was headed off by Olson, who appeared to be trying to capture him without shooting.

The gunman ducked back up the alley and as Olson rounded the corner of the house, the gunman, who had flung himself down behind some weeds, fired five or six times. The policeman fired then, but Mrs. Jones could not tell how many shots were fired, she said.

"I ran out when I saw the policeman fall as he kept motioning to the car across the street and tried to say something but I could not figure it out," she said. "Then the car sped away."

LOSES $50,000 IN GEMS

Milan, Aug. 10.—(INS)—The loss of a jewel case containing $50,000 in gems was reported to police here today by Mrs. Irene Anna Coleman of New York.

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