

THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

Fifty-seventh Year. PUEBLO, COLORADO -- SATURDAY, MAY 30, 1925 Price in Pueblo 3c

MUCH WORSE
"I have a fine job. I draw pictures and my wife makes jokes about them."
"My position is worse. I make pictures and my wife makes jokes about them."
—DorBarbier, Berlin.

INDIVIDUAL ANYWAY
Mother—I wouldn't cry if that if I will. I will. I can see any way you like, but this is my way.—Kansas City Star.

LIFE'S BURDEN TOO GREAT, WIFE SLAYER SUSPECT KILLS SELF

DR. C. W. PRESNALL OF TRINIDAD FOUND DEAD EARLY FRIDAY

Jragedy Occurs in Room At Woodcroft Hospital Here Where He Was Patient

USES HANDEKERCHIEF TIED TO WINDOW BAR FOR ROPE

Placed in Sanitarium Following Insanity Hearing Short Time Ago

Using a handkerchief as a makeshift rope, Dr. C. W. Presnall, a member of the United States army, committed suicide at 6:40 o'clock Friday morning, by hanging, at Woodcroft hospital here. He was under observation for many days in the hospital here. He had been indicted by a grand jury in Trinidad last July for the murder of his wife. The wife was found dead in a chair, tied to the handkerchief around the neck of the window and the door. The doctor was found by one of the nurses. Dr. Presnall's doctor was called, and after the investigation said that the doctor was sane. He commented on the splendid record of the hospital in the fact that the doctor was sane. He said that the number of patients who are under treatment here is small. Dr. C. W. Thompson, superintendent of the hospital, said that the doctor had been in the hospital for some time. He said that the doctor had been in the hospital for some time. He said that the doctor had been in the hospital for some time.

PUEBLOANS TODAY PAYING TRIBUTE TO VANQUISHED HEROES

President Jackson of City Council Calls People 'To Observe'

H. V. RODECK, LOCAL POET, DEDICATES VERSE TO FALLEN

Decorated Day Also Moves Kinman of J. S. Ragan, To Pen a Tribute

Today being Decoration Day, and the one day throughout the year when we remember the brave men and women who have given their lives for their country, the city of Pueblo is observing the day with appropriate ceremonies. The parade will be held at 10 o'clock and will be followed by a service at the Soldiers' Home. The city council has declared the day a public holiday. The city of Pueblo is a proud city and it is fitting that we should observe this day with appropriate ceremonies. The city of Pueblo is a proud city and it is fitting that we should observe this day with appropriate ceremonies.

FUNERAL SERVICES TODAY FOR JUDGE WALTER DIXON

Charles Marshall, pastor emeritus of St. Barnabas Episcopal church, will officiate at the funeral service to be held at 10 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the funeral home here.

AMERICAN OBSERVER FOR REPARATIONS STEPS OUT

WASHINGTON, May 29.—Col. James H. Logan, American observer in Paris, has resigned for "personal and business" reasons, and his place will be taken by a member of the United States army.

GOVERNOR HART WILL FACE SERIOUS CHARGE

LACOMA, Wash., May 29.—A warrant was issued today charging Governor Louis F. Hart with a charge of soliciting a bribe in connection with the fixing of fees in the liquidation of the bank here was issued last Friday afternoon. Bail of \$1,000 was set.

STEEL BARS AND BOOTLEGGERS FINES AND REEVES

DENVER, May 29.—Give Kansas bootleggers a fine of \$100 and a 30-day term in the state penitentiary for the transportation of liquor from New York on January 11.

LOCAL TALENT WINNERS

A BUILT-IN WHISKY CACHE FOUND HERE IN WOMAN'S HOME

Bertha Fitzner Locked Up Again After Being Let Out of Jail Monday

FALSE WALL OF BEAVER BOARD HAD BEEN FORMED

Raiding Party Makes Discovery on Second Floor in Richmond Ave.

Bertha Fitzner, 1114 S. Richmond, was arrested about 10:30 Friday night by men from the sheriff's office, and will be charged with the unlawful possession of liquor. The men found the whisky in a galvanized iron tank that had been built in the wall of the room. The capacity of the tank, the men said, was about 100 gallons. There was a little over 100 gallons of liquor in the tank when they arrived.

47 BODIES OUT OF MINE, DUE TO GET REST TODAY

Work by three days and two nights at the scene of the Carolina Coal mine disaster here, will be completed today. The bodies of 47 men were removed from the mine today.

MOONSHINERS BELIEVED TO BE AFRAID OF NEW ACT

TEN YEARS FOR WOMAN ON SON-IN-LAW MURDER CHARGE

HASKELL, Texas, May 29.—Mrs. Frank Collier, wife of the former mayor of Wichita Falls, Texas, was sentenced to ten years imprisonment in the state prison here for the murder of her son-in-law. She was found guilty of the crime on the night of Feb. 14.

DRAGON AND RECORDS FOR 12 YEARS CITED TO SHOW

Dr. John Calumet Locke, director of the Colorado state records, has been cited to show the records of the state for the past 12 years.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES GET BIG SUM FROM AN ESTATE

DENVER, May 29.—The gift of \$100,000 to the Denver Catholic Charities by the estate of a man who died recently, was disclosed Friday in the announcement of her executor.

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VAILE WILL SEEK SENATORIAL HONORS UPON HIGH IDEALS

Restoration of Constitutional Government Adopted As His Main Plank

DOES NOT MUDGE WORDS IN DISCUSSING KLAN ISSUE

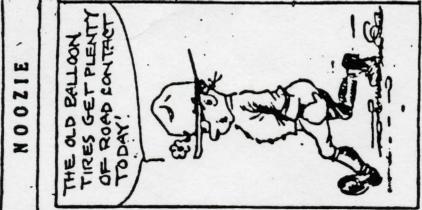
Regards World Court Republic Policy and Does Not Sky at It

(Special to The Chieftain) DENVER, May 29.—William N. Vaile, who has been elected to the district which comprises the city of Denver, announced himself as a candidate for the United States senate at a public meeting here today. He stated that his main plank was the restoration of the constitutional government. He also stated that he did not intend to discuss the issue of the Ku Klux Klan.

MEANS SEES GOOLIDGE AS ISSUE IN CAMPAIGN

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WEATHER FORECAST
Foggy today, probably foggy tomorrow; cooler north and west portions. Monday—partly clear.



NOOZIE

THE OLD BALLOON TIRES GET PLENTY OF ROAD CONTACT TODAY!

HOPES TO BE ABLE TO RENDER RELIEF TO POLE'S SEEKERS

Gretter Algranson Intended to Race Amundsen But Failed to Be Ready

HIS SUPPLY SHIP WILL GO FROM LIVERPOOL TO NORTH

Says He Does Not Intend to Try for Goal Until Search Is Thorough

LIVERPOOL, May 29.—Gretter Algranson, who is preparing to attempt to locate and assist the Amundsen expedition, has announced that his supply ship will go from Liverpool to the north.

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ATIC COP AFFIC IS STALLED

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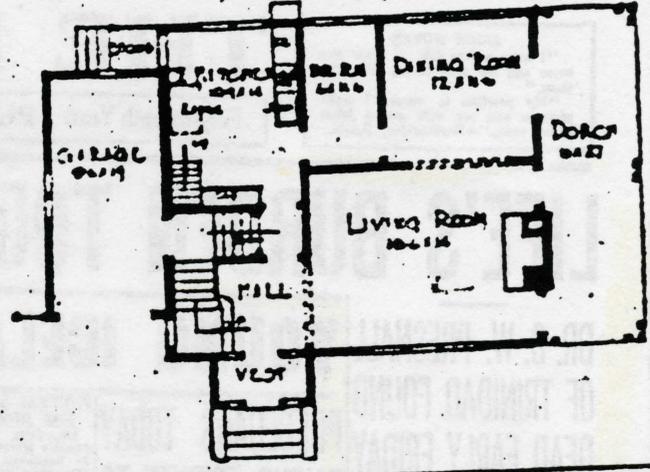
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COOLIDGE IS STILL AFTER SAVING COIN

WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—President Coolidge's drive for economy in federal expenditures was manifest in two additional ways Friday with official disclosure that the executive had sought advice from various departments as to the practicability of a progressive budget reduction over a period of years and announcement that the budget bureau was working out plans for a consolidated federal buying agency.

The question of applying a policy of progressive cuts in departmental funds over a period of years will not be decided immediately but Mr. Coolidge proposes to determine from a survey of the chief spending agencies whether reasonable efficiency can be maintained by them under such a program.

As to the concentration of federal purchasing in one agency, Director Lord of the budget believes an important saving can be accomplished annually thru such a plan. At this time, however, the idea of consolidated buying will be applied only to gasoline and coal.

New legislation will be required if the entire purchasing power of the government is concentrated in one bureau, and the budget officials are confident they will know before congress reconvenes just what is needed in the way of legislation. Meanwhile the chief coordinator's officer in the budget is going ahead with an expansion of the scheme as far as possible.

Varying views were expressed after the confirmation at the White House of the President's intention

CANON CITY HEADS F

(Special to the CANON CITY, May Chappel of Canon C president of the Colo of Music clubs at th tion held here at th day. Other officers follows: Mrs. W. Morgan, first vice; M chkliss, second vice; of Colorado Springs, Eleanor Halpin of treasurer; Mrs. W. Pueblo, recording Fred Ralter of Ca sponding secretary; land of Pueblo, chair trating committee.

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Life's Burden is Too Great, Wife Slayer Suspect Kills Self

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Saturday, May 30, 1925

Dr. C. W. Presnall of Trinidad found dead early Friday

Tragedy occurs in room at Woodcroft Hospital here where he was patient

Uses handkerchief tied to window bar for rope

Placed in sanitarium following insanity hearing a short time ago

Using a single pocket handkerchief as an instrument of death, Dr. Caleb W. Presnall, an ex-major of the U. S. Army committed suicide at 6:00 o'clock Friday morning by hanging at Woodcroft Hospital, this city, where he was under observation for sanity. He had been indicted by a grand jury in Trinidad last July for the murder of his wife.

The ex-army officer had mounted a chair tied a handkerchief around one of the bars over the window and his neck, and then kicked the chair from under him. He was dead when found by one of the nurses. Dr. Johnson, county coroner, was called and after the investigation said that institution was absolutely blameless for the death, and further commented on the splendid record that the hospital enjoys in the lack of the occurrence of such affairs among the numbers of mentally depressed that are under treatment.

Dr. C. W. Thompson, superintendent of Woodcroft, told one of the nurses finding Dr. Presnall and calling him. Every means had been taken to prevent such a thing happening, Dr. Thompson said, as all instruments and means [unreadable] had been taken from the patient, even to the cord from his bathrobe. Dr. Thompson said that the dead man was considered one of the most efficient physicians in the state before [unreadable] had never been able to practice since that time.

Major in the World War

Dr. Presnall was a major overseas in the World war, and when he returned was sent to Fitzsimmons Hospital to the department of mental disease for treatment. It was when he was on a leave of absence from the hospital that his wife was killed. The circumstances surrounding her death were mysterious and a special grand jury indicted her husband for the death.

Mrs. Presnall was killed in an auto accident July 4, 1924. She and her husband were occupants of the car, which was found overturned at the edge of a precipice, Mrs. Presnall having a

fractured skull and several bruises about her body, while the doctor was not hurt. He was returned to Fitzsimmons after he had been unable to give a satisfactory explanation of the tragedy, and the report from the hospital said that he was unmoved over his wife's death as over what he was going to have for breakfast.

Underwent Operation

On February 21, 1926, Dr. Presnall was taken to Johns Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore, and an operation was performed on the frontal lobe of his brain for a brain tumor. There was no benefit from this operation and he was discharged.

Mary 12 of this year there was a lunacy hearing at Trinidad for Dr. Presnall and there was such conflicting testimony that the defendant was sent to the local hospital

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