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# Hauptmann Admits Seeing Condon Before and After Abduction

# To Visit Condon

Trenton, N. J.-Bruno Richard Hauptmann, whose execution has been set for 8 p. m. March 31, admits that he had seen Dr. John F. Condon, intermediary for the Lindbergh kidnaping, both before and after the abduction, C. Lloyd Fisher, chief of the defense counsel, revealed today.

The revelation came as a formal announcement set the hour for Hauptmann's death. Gov. Harold G. Hoffman, who has pushed an investigation into alleged discrepancies in testimony since last fall, was said to believe the statement. if true, would break Condon's story that he had never seen Hauptmann before the kidnaping.

Hauptmann told his attorney ha saw Condon around City Island before the ransom payment, although he was not certain of his identity, and saw him again in the same vicinity following Condon's delivery of \$50,000 to a mysterious "John" in St. Raymond's cemetery in New York's Bronx.

If so, the statement fits in with that of Joseph Anthony Perrone, taxi cab driver, who told Gov. Hoffman recently that he had seen Condon talking with a man months after the kidnaping who resembled the person from whom Perrone took a note to Condon which led to the cemetery payoff.

Gov. Hoffman was reparted is New York City last night seeking a conference with Condon. If arranged the meeting was not expected before late today or tomor-

The governor particularly wants to question Condon about his testimony that the kidnaping was a one man job and his subsequent statements indicating that he believed a gang was responsible for

### POLITICAL STAGE CENTERS ON F-1 is seeking no convention indorse-

St. Paul - Political interest in Minnesota centered today on the Farmer-Labor convention which opens in St. Paul next Friday, facing a fight over Communism, indorsements and simplification of a Most county conventions have

been held. Delegates are instructed to vote for certain candidates but few have instructions regarding an entire slate.

The main battle over indorsements will come apparently in that enant Governor Hjalmar Peterson, participated actively in the fight. future.

#### What's on Inside!

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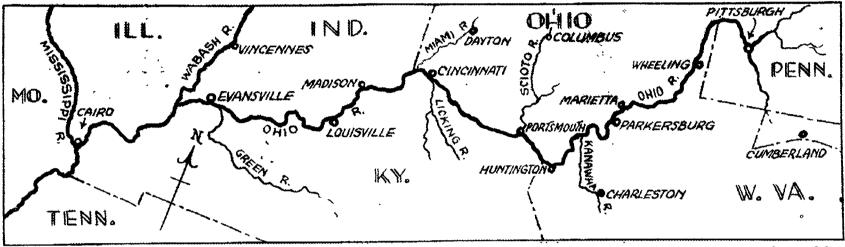
form but construction operations still ten days be-

POET'S CORNER featuring

CRUISE TO NOWHERE." new serial, in first install-REGIONAL CAGE tournament of WPA at Pine River

# CITIES LOWER OHIO ADY FOR WORST'

# Where Thousands Prepare for Disaster



## \$10 Acre Benefit Payments to Farmers Under SCP Outlined

### TRIM LITTLE SHIP, "FINE FICTION," EMBARKS ON THE CRUISE TO NOWHERE

The good ship, "Fine Fiction," today embarks on the CRUISE TO NOWHERE.

Numbering among its passengers some 20,000 readers of 5,-000 families, subscribers to THE DAILY DISPATCH, the trim little schooner conjured in the minds of lovers of good fiction is bound for the Carribean tropical ports with Jane Weston, petite stenographer who dreamed of a listless life in the tropics and lived to see her

a self made candidate, and Magnus

Johnson, former U.S. senator who

There is a strong possibility the

convention will wind up without in-

dorsing any candidate for govern-

hopes to stage a comeback but who

dreams come true, as the center of attraction.

Throw off the mantle of a doleful mood. Join in the CRUISE TO NOWHERE. It's not too late to overtake the

Here's your ticket. Just turn to an inside page and join in the thrilling trip by reading the first chapter of THE DAILY DISPATCH'S new serial. It will provide the CRUISE TO NOWHERE! Let's

Minneapolis-Parents of striking high school students in St. Louis Park today discussed meeting with the school board to arrive at a means of ending the student un-

Strike leaders claimed 250 were in the group which walked out Thursday in protest of the resignation of J. W. McNeal, principal of Addis Ababa-A sweeping victory the high school. Officials placed the by Ethiopian warriors over Italian rumber of strikers at 150.

for governor with three strong con- troops on the northern front north D. K. Whalen, president of the

#### tenders and possibly more. The of Amba Alagi was claimed today school board, said he had nothing contenders are: U. S. Senator Elm- in reports received here. Emperor to say and that no meeting of the er A. Benson, Olson's choice; Lieu- Haile Selassie was reported to have board was planned in the near

## Spring Tonic Spreads Cheer But Memory Winter Lives in Records

day for 1936 in Brainerd today with thermometers far above the freez- February. ing point, bringing smiles to Brainerdites as they hark back to the Dec. 3, 1 above; Dec. 4, 1 above; Jan. 21, 21 below; Jan. 22, 391, bedreary days of January, February Dec. 5, 6 above; Dec. 6, 25 above; low: Jan 23, 37 below; Jan. 24, 40 will have their crops classified as and even back in December, 1935. Dec. 7, 33 above; Dec 8, 25 above; below; Jan. 25, 19 below; Jan. 26, soil depleting, soil conserving and when mercury in thermometers Dec. 9, 1 below; Dec. 10, 12 lelow; 24 below; Jan. 27, 18 below; Jan. 28, sank lower than a snake's stomaca

initely here, the cold of last win- Dec. 15, 29 above; Dec 16, 15 above; Feb 1, 30 below; Feb 2, 18 below, only upon 15 per cent of his "base ter, most severe for the longest Dec. 17, 11 above; Dec 18, 6 above. Feb 3, 10 below; Feb. 4, 31 below; acreage' the amount he planted in period of consecutive days in the Dec. 19, 6 below; Dec 20, 17 below; Feb. 5, 34 below; Feb. 6, 38 below; known weather history of Brainerd Dec. 21, zero; Dec. 22, 9 above; Dec. Feb. 7, 29 below; Feb. 8, 2 below; and Crow Wing county, remains 23, 8 below; Dec. 24, 20 below; Dec Feb. 9, 5 above; Feb. 10, 22 below; only a bitter memory.

menths, particularly through the 29, 6 above; Dec. 30, 12 above Dec major part of January and Febru- 31, 11 above.

As the spring season seems def- Dec. 13. 24 above; Dec. 14, 28 above; 20 below: Jan. 31, 26 below.

ary, will be something to "tell your | Jan. 1, 17 above; Jan. 2, 11 above. Feb. 19, 25 below, Feb 20, 16 wlow; grandchildren about and for that Jan. 3, 13 above; Jan. 4, 2 below, Feb. 21, 27 below; Feb 22, 15 below; reason THE DAILY DISPATCH Jan. 5, 16 below; Jan. 6, 16 below; Feb. 23, 9 above; Feb. 24, 24 above; prints today the complete official Jan. 7, 23 below; Jan. 8, 3 above, Feb. 25, 1 above; Feb. 26, 6 below; weather minimum temperatures, Jan. 9, 13 above; Jan. 10, 9 below; Feb. 27, 3 above. Feb 28 zero Feb tures compiled by John Hoffbauer, Jan. 11, 8 above; Jan. 12, 9 above; 29, 7 below.

Springtime entered its second government recorder, for the Jan. 13, 12 below; Jan. 14, 3 below; months of December, January and Jan. 15, 14 below; Jan. 16, 1 below: Jan. 17, 5 below; Jan. 18, 20 below; Dec. 1, 4 below; Dec. 2, 5 above; Jan. 19, 15 below; Jan. 20, 23 below. Dec. 11, 5 above; Dec. 12, 15 above; 24 below; Jan 29, 22 below; Jan 30,

25, 14 below; Dec. 26, 15 below; Dec. Feb. 11, 23 below: Feb. 12, 21 below; The weather during the three 27, 9 below; Dec. 28, 3 below; Dec Feb. 13, 11 below; Feb 14, 28 below; Feb 15, 36 below, Feb 16, 38 below:

#### Aimed at Removal Thirty Million Acres from Intensive Cultivation for Soil Conservation ...

Washington - Benefit payments averaging \$10 an acre were offered farmers today for removal of 30,-000,000 acres from intensive cultivation under the new soil conservation program replacing the AAA. Details of the program, announced by Secretary of Agricul ture Henry Wallace, provide expenditure of \$440,000,000 in conserving the nation's soil fertility this year, the first of the two year tem-

porary program. Two Types of Payments Two types of payments are pro-

in federal suggestions for conserration and building of soil. 1. A soil conserving payment

averaging \$10 an acre. 2. A soil building payment up to \$1 an acre.

For each acre of soil depleting crops which a farmer diverts to soil FARM PROGRAM TO ADD

21 MILLIONS TO INCOME

NORTHWEST FARMERS St. Paul-Farm experts estimated today that the new administration soil program will add approximately \$21,000,000

to the income of northwest dairy farmers and livestock The estimate is based on the

1934 report that northwest farmers had 21,695,000 acres of tame hay and seeded plowable pasture land.

of the base acreage, computed on 1935 planting.

If that acreage is planted in legumes or other soil building crops which he plows under to build up soil fertility he will be paid another \$1 an acre. The \$1 an acre certain conditions. For the purpose of payment

farmers who apply for payments soil building.

Detail Various Crops A farmer may claim payments

soil depleting crops last year Soi

depleting crops were defined as: Corn. cotton, tobacco, Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, rice, sugar flowers, conducting true, and can-Feb 17 30 below: Feb 18, 23 below; ning crops, melons and strawber rie , peinuts grain and sweet sal ghums, and small grains including wheat, oats, barley, rye, buckwheat,

Payments are to be divided be- would cooperate.

Passing westward from deluged Pennsylvania lowlands, the waters of the rising Ohio river are threatening the territory shown on this map. To the overflow of the Monongahela and Allegheny rivers, that unite to form the Ohio at Pittsburgh, hundreds of streams are adding their swelling waters, and menacing the bordering cities for a distance of more than 600 miles from Pennsylvania to the Mississippi. Though warned of the advancing flood, and preparing as best they can to check it, inhabitants of cities and towns along the way still wait in fear of what the rising waters may bring.

# BEREAPPOINTED BY night and headed toward Pomeroy and Point Pleasant

St Paul-Mrs. Blanche L La Du first woman president of the Amervided for farmers who cooperate ican Prison Congress, member of the state board of control for 15 years and once its chairman, will not be reappointed by Gov. Olson when her term expites April 6.

first been named to the post by former Gov. J. A. O. Preus and reappointed for a six year term in 1930 been heeded is indicated by the by former Gov. Theodore Christianson, charged that she was being removed solely for political reasons. to make way for a Farmer-Labor dominated board of control.

At present the membership consists of Mrs. La Due and C. R. Carlgren and Louis G. Foley. The

# MRS. SCHALL HITS

Washington - Chargs that the reciprocal trade agreement act had adversely affected Minnesota agriof \$10 an acre on up to 15 per cent culture and manufacturing industries were made today by Mrs Thomas D. Schall, widow of the late senator from Minnesota, who is candidate for the Republican senatorial nomination.

Mrs. Schall contended that labor and agriculture was "placed at the also applies to pasture land under mercy of foreign standards of living by granting trade privileges under the reciprocal tariff law."

She charged that the match in dustry and dairy sugar and rye farmers had been harmed by agreements lowering tariffs on such products from foreign nations She pointed out that her late husband voted against the reciprocal trade law and said

each -hare in the crop or its pro Administration will be and community committees and bill and airplanes delivered to Every finner will be cham's

participate in the new program. flax, emmer, speltz and grain mixmated 80 per cent of farmers

# IN STRICKEN AREAS

Evacuate Homes Path

of Onrushing Waters

The treacherous "hump" in the turbulent Ohio liver moved south ward today over a corkscrew course spilling its muddy waters several feet deep into the towns of Pomeroy, Gallipolis and Ironton in Ohio, and Point Pleasant and Huntington in West Virginia.

From these places and many smaller villages in the path of the worst flood in years, came the unanimous answer to nature's chal-

#### "We are prepared for the worst." Feed Homeless

This was found to be literally true every place. The dangerous low places in the flood's path had been evacuated. All movable property had been taken away. The thousands of homeless were being fed and well cared for by the Red Cross and quickly organized relief agen-

The flood's crest left the vicinity of Marietta and Parkersburg last

Water ran eight feet deep in the streets of Pomeroy as the liver reached 56 feet. Known as Ohio's most every year. Pomeroy has a \$1; R R Gould, \$1; H L. Jones, flood stage of 47 feet.

An official estimate placed the damage at Marietta at \$200,000 After the flood crest leaves Huntington, it will head in a general westerly course to Ashland, Ky., A Republican appointee, having Portsmouth, O, Maysville, Ky, and \$105; James I. Davis, \$1; Mrs. Ef- quota set for this county by na Cincinnati

How well flood warnings have fact that not a single death from the high water has been reported since the flood peak passed the Wheeling district Pomeroy authorities had to take several persons from their homes today but there were no casualties.

Hartford, Conn. - Heavy rain throughout the Connecticut valley today threatened new destruction in Hartford where nine persons already were feared dead and more than 50 square blocks of the city were under water from one to 25

Electric power still was out throughout the city. Despite the darkness officials said no attempts at looting had been reported. The militia was on guard throughout the flood sone.

Boiling of all drinking water and milk was ordered. As an additional health precaution, all refugees will be examined today by the city medical department.

#### FIGHT DISEASE EPIDEMIC Harrisburg, Pa An entire city worked today as a militant unit to prevent epidemic diseases from following floods that in six days drove

scores of communities back to living conlitions of the middle ages A consensus of official estimate indicated that the floods took well above 100 lives drove more than 75 000 persons from their homes to emergency camps on snow and rain pelted hills or in civic buildings and caused economic loss possibly reaching a half billion dollars.

ye reiday. Phy .c. ns and nurses whereas the AAA was restricted to worked all night to administer them was called enormous preparation certain crops. AAA olicials esti- to long queques of men, women land children.

Menace of the revolting disease, problems.

## Flood Situation in Brief

High lights of the flood situation today: Heavy rains bring fresh peril to stricken New England, More rain and gales predicted. Connecticut river still rising in Hartford; 50 square blocks of

city and much of outlying area under water 25 feet deep in places. New floods batter Maine and northeastern Massachusetts; factories in Haverhill, Mass., in danger.

Ohio river flood sweeps on down valley; Pomeroy, O., business district under eight feet of water; most towns fairly well prepared. Death toll in 14-state flood area stands at 194 and still mounting. Close to 300,000 homeless. Property damage quarter billion

Snow storm adds to distress in beleaguered Pittsburgh, which fights water shortage. Medical precautions take precedence throughout flood areas

Sunbury, Pa., quarantined for scarlet fever. President Roosevelt for the third time postponed his projected southern trip to continue direction of flood area rehabilitation.

While congress and all government agencies co-operated in immediate relief in flood regions, the president turned chiefly to the problems o frehabilitation work in a dozen states swept by raging waters.

### **NEARLY ONE-THIRD RED CROSS QUOTA** FLOOD RELIEF REACHED AS BRAINERD RESPONDS GENEROUSLY TO APPEAL

#### **Honor Roll Donors** To Flood Relief Fund

Citizens of Jenkins, \$20; the Rev E A. Valiant, \$1; D. C. Grav. \$1 'champion flood town' because James Friary, 50c. George Trent, water overflows into the streets al- \$2; F E. Ebner, \$1; A. Hallquist, \$3; Grace Van Arnam, \$1, N. G Nelson, \$1. Martin Swanson, \$1; the Rev. M. C. Olson, \$1: E. J. Cook. \$2; Mr. and Mrs. John Cuddehy, \$1; Cross to receive contributions, at Louise Barrett, \$1; Navajo Friend- noon had received donations total ly Indian club of the Y. M. C. A. ing nearly one-third of the \$160 fie Lively, \$1, E. C. Sullivan, \$2; tional Red Cross officials. B. B. Lee, \$1; Canniff family, \$5.

which bloats its victims until they die in torture created new panic in the city that suffered the world famous flood of 1889, rebuilt and was again almost washed off the map this week.

WITHOUT DRINKING WATER Pittsburgh, Pa - Military and civil authorities worked against time under terrible handicaps today to restore Pittsburgh's water ystem before epidemic disease gained headway in the havoc left by flood.

The city was without an adequate supply of drinking water, without electric power or lights, handicapped by a shortage of currency because banks could not function, and plastered ankle deep through its

Brainerd residents unloosened their purse strings in the day, answering the Red Cross appeal for funds to aid sufferers in the flood stricken sectors with characteristic generosity.

No sooner had THE DAILY DIS PATCH carrying the appeal ap than the flood of contributions started pouring in. THE DAILY DISPATCH, designated by the Rec

Aitkin county's quota is \$75, according to a telegram received by Mrs. J. D. Hanlon, county chair

Typical of the spirit of gencrosity characterized in Brainerd was the contribution of 81.05 by the Navajo Friendly Indian club of the Y. M. C. A. The organization of nine boys. ranging in age from nine to 12 years, voted that sum from its meager freasury funds.

At noon today the contributions totaled \$52.55. Topping the list of donors, other

than the \$20 sent by Jenkins citizens, was the Caniff family with a

Contributions can be made to THE DAILY DISPATCH. Receipts will be issued for every donation for filing in the Red Cross records.

## Compromise by Powers on German Plan Seen

Copyright 1936 by United Press 1 solidation program faded today into increased materially today the most remote future.

A high British authority disclosed that a conference planned by gate here, that Germany would the Locarno treaty powers in May consider an appeal to The Hague would include only the Locarno court on the compatability of the powers themselves Great Britain Frence Belgium Palvoud Ger

would a general assemblage of na-

Prospects for a compromis-London Prospect of a world among the Locarno powers on the onference on economic and finan- proposals made to Germany by nal matters as part of a peace con- British, France, Belgium and Italy

After the revelation by Joachini Von Ribbentrop, chief German dele-Locaino and French-Russian militory treaties a British spokesman let it be I town that brance has not flatly refree to permit internanot all trains are an attenued on har

Hence the possibility was foreseen of extending a narrow demilitions be convened to study world tarized zone on either side of the French-Belgian-German frontiers.