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WEATHER
Yesterday 52
Last night 34
Tonight and Friday
Clear and Warm.

Consolidation of The Evening News and The Roseburg Review.

COUNTY TREASURER SAYS ALL FUNDS IN HIS DEPARTMENT ARE ACCOUNTED FOR

That Auditor Failed to Examine Records Placed Before Him and Reported Funds Unaccounted For Without Attempting to Verify His Report.

The auditor who reported the books and reported discrepancies in the treasurer's office, did so by investigating the records and placing in his hands and that the certificates placed before him reported that they were not accounted for, is the report made by County Treasurer E. Sawyers. Mr. Sawyers said he can account for all of the money mentioned by the auditor as unaccounted for and also states that the auditor failed to inquire into or check many items when called to attention. In a communication sent to the News-Review, Mr. Sawyers said:

"I call your attention to the fact that the auditor showing the balances and receipts of \$1,196, received and handed by me the year 1921, and that the auditor of the year 1922 report there was no shortage in the amount of \$45.62. The procedure about the audit was published before it was sent to the county court for its consideration. The certificate of the auditor said he did not check the records and placed on his inspection, and his name called to the fact when he was asked for it; he did not attempt to pay any attention to it. Why he should ignore it after asking for it is a matter to me and should be to you. Regarding the \$200 on deposit National Park Bank, New York, I call your attention to the fact that the auditor did not check the safe containing the same and bank statements showing payment of the same. I referred to a memorandum in his presence and supplied him with the same and offered to give him the statement and coupons to verify the same. The fact that he did not check them is no fault of mine, as an auditor, should have done the examination.

"The time asked him to take my name I have over \$20,000 in coupons with the accompanying statements from the banks showing amounts received and paid by the auditor took the coupons to my office and after keeping them a while returned them but no report on them.

"I have full and complete returns from New York banks handling the county funds, and the auditor could easily have verified the same. I offered to write to the banks and get the report on the items and the auditor said he did not want to. The \$185 mortgage and note on the \$10 note which was returned to me by the auditor and I called the auditor's attention to the fact that I had the bank for collection and I did not get the same in the Douglas county bank.

"The small items of 62 cents and some matters of small moment and the auditor examined the statements and coupons in his hands he could have properly done the same.

"The auditor according to his own report did not check my cash from July 1, 1921, to December 31, but endeavored to reconcile in the clerk's record which report in the auditor overlooking \$9.00. In this case I had failed to get the duplicate receipts but made

PHILIPINES WANT A SELF GOVERNMENT

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 9.—The mission empowered by the Philippine legislature to negotiate for the islands' independence will leave Manila in April for the United States, according to the Philippine press bureau. The mission will voice opposition to the recent Wood-Forbes report which held that the Philippines were not ready for self-government, and will seek extension of the application of coastwise shipping laws to the Philippines.

U. S. KEEPING OUT OF GENOA CONFERENCE

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 9.—Refusal of the United States to participate in the Genoa conference may be viewed as the first step in a campaign of "tactical pressure" to promote the economic rehabilitation of Europe, said a high official of the American government today. It should be regarded, he said, as an indication of the United States' desire to hold aloof from the grave problems confronting Europe.

BROCCOLI CROP BEGINS TO MOVE

Express Shipments Being Sent to Nearby Markets—Crop is Delayed.

QUALITY IS EXCELLENT

In spite of damage done by cold weather quality of crop to be shipped from here will be up to usual standard.

Shipments of broccoli in carload lots will probably not be made from this county until after the 15th of the month. Broccoli is now going forward to nearby markets in express shipments but is coming in too slowly to permit shipment in large quantities. Broccoli this year has a fine quality although the crop is a little short due to the heavy frozes during the months of January and February. This cold weather also delayed the crop and it is now about two weeks behind the usual time for ripening.

BUSINESS DISTRICT A MASS OF RUINS

(By United Press.)
CHEBOYGAN, Mich., March 9.—The city's business section is a mass of charred wood and bricks, following a half million dollar fire which destroyed four business blocks and took the lives of three persons.

CLEVER THIEF STEALS AUTO

Two Men Alleged to be Responsible For the Theft of Car at Gold Hill.

CLAIMED TO BE FLIER

Represented Self to be Pilot of Stranded Flying Machine and Borrowed Car to Take Gasoline to Landing Field.

Garrett A. Rowley, aged 25 years, and John P. O'Donnell were arrested at Myrtle Creek last night, by Deputy Sheriff Cap Griffith, charged with the theft of an automobile from Redding, California. Rowley, it is charged, walked into Redding. He was dressed in army uniform and claimed that he was an aviator and that he had made a forced landing in an airplane near the city. He borrowed a Buick roadster to take some gasoline out to his machine and after purchasing a surplus supply of gas started out and failed to return. The machine lost a wheel between Riddle and Myrtle Creek and the officers learned of its location, and the two occupants were arrested.

They were brought to Roseburg today and placed in the county jail and will be held here pending the arrival of government officers. The two will be arraigned under a government charge, growing out of an alleged violation of the Dyer acts which makes it a federal offense to drive a stolen automobile from one state to another.

Rowley, it is claimed, in addition to stealing the auto passed several bad checks in making purchases in Redding. The sheriff at Redding is very anxious to have the prisoners returned there, but as a government charge is to be placed against them they will be taken to Portland instead of being returned to California.

The case created quite a sensation in California where the unusual trick played to obtain possession of the machine attracted wide attention. For several days the machine dropped completely out of sight and the officers could get no line on it until it was wrecked in this county. It was a fine Buick roadster, chocolate colored with red cushions.

MADALYNN TELLS STORY TO JURY

(By Associated Press.)
LOS ANGELES, March 9.—Madalynn Connor O'Connell today told her story in the trial for the murder of J. Boston Kennedy, 28-year-old man who was shot in the back of his head by her on the jury most of the time. Referring to her diary to refresh her memory, she told of frequently meeting Kennedy, and saying that he came to her letters, and that he wanted everything "ended." Kennedy wanted to continue their relations, but told her that owing to his mother's illness he could not do that which his heart asked. Madalynn then reads as she read one of Kennedy's letters aloud to the court.

SEED FOR "HARD UP" FARMERS URGED

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 9.—Republican Leader Mondell said he would make a second attempt to pass a bill authorizing the expenditure of a million dollars to provide seed grain for the "hard up" farmers in the crop failure section of the northwest. The bill was recently lost by four votes when called under a suspension of the rules, requiring a two-thirds vote.

ILLINOIS HOLDS THE TRUMP CARD

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 9.—Should the Illinois district operators reach an agreement with the miners, Secretary Davis believes that at least 75 per cent of the miners throughout the competitive coal fields would be willing to sign separate district agreements if the Illinois experiment proved successful. Illinois is believed to hold the trump card in averting the strike on April 1st and that action may split with the international union, Frank Farrington, Illinois chief, announced today.

DEBATE STARTED ON INDIAN QUESTION

(By United Press.)
LONDON, March 9.—The house of commons adjourned today to start the debate on the Indian government recommendations relating to Turkey and the revision of the Sevres treaty. Edwin Montagu, secretary of state for India, resigned as a result of these recommendations. The Indian government urged that the British evacuate Constantinople, establish the Sultan's suzerainty over the holy places; the restoration of Thrace to the Ottoman empire, including Adrianople and Smyrna.

RAILROADS WANT MORE WAGE REDUCTION

(By United Press.)
CHICAGO, March 9.—James Walker, representing the eastern lines, in support of the roads' application to reduce wages, claimed that the railroads, because of the high wages, are able to maintain equipment for immediate requirements only, and will have an accumulation of locomotives and cars out of order when business resumes, which must be placed in serviceable condition.

LOCAL TELEPHONE SERVICE EXTENDED

Improvements Made to Roseburg Plant Total Over Nine Thousand Dollars in Cost.

WORK WAS DELAYED

Improvements Were Not Completed As Soon As Had Been Expected Because of Sickness of Many Members of the Construction Crew.

Extensive additions to the local telephone plant, have been practically completed, John H. Farrington, local manager, announces. Work on these extensions has been going forward for several weeks and the equipment of the local plant has been greatly augmented and facilities for greater service provided. The total cost of the work was approximately \$9,000 and exceeded by a small sum, the original estimate for improvements in this city.

The workmen have placed 49 new poles and approximately 16,000 feet of aerial cable, ranging in size from 50 pairs of wires to 200 pair and aggregating 265 wire miles. They have also placed and replaced 5,000 feet of aerial wire and 49.19 wire miles of underground cable.

This work was made necessary on account of the present plant being congested, making relief necessary and to provide for future growth. This work has been somewhat delayed due to sickness, several of the members of the crew having been quite ill during the time the improvements were in progress.

In addition to the facilities mentioned, the company is making an extension of its lines into Laurelwood addition. They have placed 20 new poles there and are now putting up crossarms and sufficient wire to care for the anticipated growth of that addition.

These improvements and extensions have been badly needed for a long time as the local exchange had been handicapped by lack of facilities for taking care of the local demand. In many cases installations have been delayed because of the lack of sufficient cables, there not being lines enough to connect up those who desired service. The new improvements however will take care of this for many years to come as the company has anticipated the growth of the city and has provided a surplus to take care of the future demand. Everything possible is being done to make the telephone service in Roseburg efficient and satisfactory and the local employees will be greatly aided by the improvements now being brought to completion.

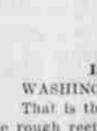
WORST KIND OF "FROZEN CREDIT"

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 9.—Comptroller of the Currency Cressinger announced today that in the event of the passage of bonus legislation providing for the payment of ex-soldiers by adjusted service certificates, he would advise national banks to decline to accept the certificates as a security for loans. Cressinger described the proposed plan of allowing ex-soldiers to place certificates as collateral for loans to eighty per cent of their face value as "the worst kind of frozen credit," and declared that while he could not order national banks to refuse to accept the certificates as security, he would strongly advise against their acceptance.

A. H. Swanson motored to this city today to spend several hours trading and attending to business matters.

OHIO AND INDIANA STATES CALLED "U. S. POLITICAL COCKPIT" BY THE LEADERS

Washington Manager of International News Writes Interesting Story of Political Situation—National Leaders Keep Eyes Open For "Signs of 1924."



By GEORGE R. HOLMES,
International News Service Staff Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—"The political cockpit of America!" That is the way national political leaders of the capital are sizing up the rough rectangle formed by the sister states of Ohio and Indiana. It was so in 1920, they say, and it will be so again in 1922 unless all signs fall, and all political forecasters fall down utterly.

Off-year elections, with control of congress at stake, are still eight months away. Yet in this battle-scarred cockpit the party leaders are already being steadily beaten to attract the wary voters, and things are lining up for still another "battle of the century." Scarcely 400 miles in length and 200 miles wide, this irregular square furnishes more political fireworks than any other section of the country three times its size. It is truly the political battleground of the nation.

"As goes Maine so goes the nation" is a political axiom that does not always hold true. Sometimes it fails. But if Indiana and Ohio once get on the same side of the political fence, history proves that the ballot counters might as well throw down their pencils and quit figuring. Occasionally they differ, but not often. Only four times in recent political history have Indiana and Ohio split politically, and on these widely-separated occasions the differences have been very slight.

History is cited. In 1876 Indiana gave Tilden a slight majority, while Ohio scratched out a bare victory for her native son, Rutherford B. Hayes.

In 1884 Indiana gave a slight lead to Cleveland, while Ohio granted Blaine a narrow majority.

In 1892 Cleveland, won Indiana by 7000, while Harrison took Ohio by the extremely uncomfortable margin of 1000.

Again, in 1916, these two sister states split—Hughes carrying Indiana and Wilson taking Ohio. But the margins always were narrow, and in the main Ohio and Indiana can be said to back in the same political shade.

Always the campaigns are heated, and usually they are close. The coming elections, toward which congressional lawmakers in Washington already are turning their eyes, promise to be no exception.

Senatorship Fights Hot. In both states the fight over a single senatorship promises to eclipse all else and hold the attention of the entire nation. In Ohio the political stakes in the senatorial race are particularly high. A presidency and a possible presidential nomination two years hence, are bound up in the senatorial fight in Ohio next November.

Senator Alton Pomerene, democrat, of Canton, is coming up for reelection. His republican opponent has not been selected yet, but whether it be Governor Harry Davis, Carmel Thompson, Congressman Simeon Fess, Representative Nick Longworth, son-in-law of T. R., or Attorney-General Harry M. Daugherty himself, the fight promises to be spectacular and hot.

The democrats are convinced that they can carry Ohio with Pomerene. He is popular, he has a good record, and besides they are figuring on a lot of discontent with republican policies to manifest itself in the form of Pomerene votes.

If Pomerene Wins—If they are right and Pomerene

American Legion Play to Be Presented by a Big All Star Cast; Vets Enthused

"Where are the other three?" is the popular question on the streets these days in commenting on "The Four Larks," the American Legion play to be produced two nights, March 15th and 16th at the Antlers theatre. The tickets are "going like hotcakes" in a doughboy rest camp and from every indication the theatre will be crowded to capacity both nights. The next reservations open tomorrow afternoon at the Antlers box office and those who arrive on the scene first will naturally get the choice seats. All seats are selling for one dollar—with the big guarantee of five dollars' worth of entertainment.

In these days of "all star casts" the legionnaires decided that "The Four Larks" should also possess "one of them things" and it was with a great deal of care that the cast was selected.

The cast of characters follows: Potonia (a housemaid), Fern Reynolds, James (the butler), Gordon Burnett, Mr. Septimus Pontifex, Woodley Stethenon, Mr. Fraser Green (his father-in-law), Del Jewett, Detective Sharples, Walter Fisher, Mrs. Richard Diggles, Geo. Radabaugh, Mrs. Millicent Pontifex, Viola Willett, Mrs. Alicia Green, Letitia Abrams, Miss Jesse Green, Margaret Voss, A policeman, Ray Clark, Seede, a drawing room in Mr. Pontifex's home, New York City.

Ben Seovell, the director, declares that never in his experience has he seen such good home talent assembled in one production. He is delighted with the outcome of the nightly rehearsals and predicts a big success.

Eminent Geologist to Lecture Tonight

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The people of Roseburg will have an opportunity to hear Mr. E. B. Latham, eminent geologist and oil engineer of Los Angeles, lecture at the court house tonight at 8:15, on the "Presence of Oil in Oregon."

Mr. Latham is the consulting geologist for the Oakland Oil, Gas and Coal association, at the present time commencing active drilling operations near Oakland, Oregon, on 5000 acres of oil bearing sands in that territory.

Mr. Latham is a graduate of Harvard and Columbia School of Mines, and has done extensive work in South America, Mexico, Haiti, Cuba and Canada. His connection with California fields began in 1918, as field geologist for the Southern Pacific company. For five years he has been sole consulting geologist for the U. S. Department of Justice in suits involving over a billion dollars worth of property. He has been connected with other government and state departments in technical matters pertaining to oil geology. He has invented oil drilling equipment, originated and introduced dozens of oil phrases and improvements. Incidentally, no oil recommended by him for oil has failed to be of true value and no land rejected by him has ever proved to be profitable oil bearing territory. It will indeed be a rare treat to hear Mr. Latham lecture on this subject tonight.

Funeral of W. L. Dysinger Today

The funeral of the late Wm. L. Dysinger was held this afternoon in the beautiful Elks hall, where a great number of the sorrowing friends and relatives gathered to pay the last tribute to the memory of the deceased. The funeral services were in charge of the local Elks lodge of which Mr. Dysinger during his lifetime was an active member. The funeral march was played by Mrs. C. S. Reelino and the Elks male quartette furnished the music. Rev. C. B. Hilton, pastor of the Christian church, delivered the funeral message and eulogy. The funeral message and eulogy, followed by a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends, was taken to the I. O. O. F. cemetery where the Odd Fellows lodge conducted the burial service. The great array of floral offerings attested the love and esteem in which the deceased was held by the residents of this city in which he made his home for many years.

Mrs. C. F. Chaldin was a visitor in this city today for a few hours. Mrs. Chaldin is a resident of Elgarose.

Believe Hardy Stole Bond

The liberty bond which was being missing from the treasurer's office, was stolen by the auditor, convicted forger, who was serving a term in the penitentiary for forging the name of County Treasurer Sawyers to several checks, and a list of those connected with the treasurer's office. Hardy was employed for several months as auditor at the time had access to the treasurer's office. Several months ago he made out and stole a number of blank checks and one other which was already made out which was returned and which has been returned to the treasurer by the auditor. Hardy it is believed also stole the liberty bond worth \$20,000. An effort is being made to trace the bond.