

WEATHER FORECAST Oregon: Rain west and local snows east portion tonight and Thursday; moderate temperature. Roseburg and vicinity: Rain tonight and Thursday; moderate temperature.

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WEATHER YESTERDAY Highest temperature yesterday 40 Lowest temperature last night 35 Precipitation, last 24 hours 0.0 Precip. since first of month 2.82 Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1930 6.57 Relative humidity 5 p. m. (%) 94

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REPORT ON DRY LAW INCREASES DISCORD

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS DOWN at Salem, a bill to be introduced soon proposes a state department of agriculture. It may surprise you to know that of the 48 states in the Union 43 have state departments of agriculture. Included in the 43 are California, Washington and Idaho.

MERE creation of a state department of agriculture will do nothing toward promotion of agriculture in Oregon. You can't make farming prosperous by passing a law.

But if an able department of agriculture were backed by an intelligently administered grading standards law, so that in time only the BEST products were going out of Oregon under standard grades, farming might easily become much more prosperous here.

HERE is an interesting paragraph from a European newspaper:

"December's events were only a prelude to the great battle that all republican elements of Spain will fight in the near future in order to overthrow Alfonso and the monarchy, establish the republic on a solid basis and at last make Spain one of the European democracies."

CAPTAIN ROBERT DOLLAR is operated on suddenly at San Francisco, and the entire Pacific Coast is interested in his condition and hopes for his recovery.

Why? The answer is simple. It is because Captain Dollar has been a useful and valuable citizen during his long life. We can't afford to lose the health of that sort, and so when their health is endangered we are interested, keenly, and hope for their recovery.

HERE is a statement about business conditions that is repeated by nearly everyone who talks on that subject: "The Pacific Coast is better off than the East."

Why is the Pacific Coast better off than the East? Well, it may be because the Pacific Coast GAM-BLED less and so has a narrower gap between its present condition and its IMAGINED condition while the big boom was on.

FRANCE, we read, is planning to stabilize the price of wheat at \$2 a bushel. In order to do that, presumably, imports will be shut out and the country will be compelled to depend upon its domestic production.

But here is the interesting part of the story, as told in a dispatch from Paris: "Even at \$2 a bushel, taking into consideration high costs of production, French farmers will just about break even. In the opinion of the minister of agriculture."

THAT is to say, France isn't adapted to the growing of wheat on an economical basis. Her farms are too small. Too much of her labor is done by hand. So her costs are exceedingly high.

This writer, who doesn't pose as an authority, has an idea that in the long run France will SUFFER instead of gain, by subsidizing the growing of wheat under

INTANGIBLES TAX BILL NOT TO RETROACT

Senator Eddy's Advice to Eliminate Clause Finds Favor with Salem Group at Salem.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 21 — The public would give a new intangibles tax, with retroactive clause to forestall a refund of taxes paid under the act of 1929 recently declared unconstitutional, the house and senate committees on assessment and taxation, meeting jointly, indicated that a bill in this form will not be offered. A tentative bill including the retroactive clause had been drawn and was before the committees.

Should a bill be passed with the retroactive clause included, Senator J. O. Bailey declared that the people "having been fooled once, might refuse to pay their income taxes." Senator E. W. Miller of the same opinion, declaring that the people of Oregon "are on the verge of resistance against the payment of any tax."

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LEEPER DOME WORK WILL BE DELAYED

Directors of the Oakland Oil company met at Oakland today to consider plans for renewing drilling operations at Leeper Dome.

WIFE'S PETITION ALLEGES DESERTION

Suit for divorce was filed in the circuit court by Ida Dean against Elmer Dean, alleging desertion. They were married at Eugene, April 18, 1928, and have one child. The plaintiff is represented by Attorney J. H. Austin.

Bullets Prove Better than Prayer in Resisting Reds, Pioneer of Douglas Recalls

G. V. CARLILE, pioneer resident of Oakland, believes in the old adage: "Trust in the Lord and keep your powder dry." The reason for this conviction is that when he was crossing the plains in '64 the caravan in which he was traveling fought off Indians for two days without a casualty while a caravan composed of a certain religious body just behind was annihilated when its members prayed instead of fighting.

The train crossed the plains in '64 and the first indications encountered were peaceful. They were the Pawnees and the Sioux and were anxious to trade and beg from the whites. They were inebriated thieves, Mr. Carlile remembers. It was when the caravan met up with the Snake Indians that the first and worst battle took place. Renegade whites had helped the Redmen locate the party and had given signals for the attack to begin. The Snakes, armed with rifles sold them by white men, were dangerous foes. The inaccuracy of their aim accounted for the poor success they had in their battle with this particular train. From noon of one day until 10 o'clock the next morning they circled the train, firing upon it without killing one white man, woman or child. The only real damage they did was to kill stock and wreck some of the wagons. A little farther on the journey the party met a band of soldiers who, with most of the men of the train, went back, encountered the

WILL HEAD U. S. NAVAL ACADEMY



A portrait of Rear-Admiral Thomas C. Hart, commander of the control force of the United States fleet. He has been designated by the navy department to succeed Rear-Admiral S. S. Robinson, as superintendent of the U. S. naval academy at Annapolis. The latter will retire from active service May 15, when he reaches the age of 63.

VETS PARADE BUT MELLON SAYS 'NO'

Two Billion Necessary for Cashier Certificates Held Impossible.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 — Secretary Mellon today reported to the house ways and means committee enactment of the Garner bill to pay cash on veterans' certificates would seriously affect national finance and "our general economic situation."

LOCAL CLERK NAMED AS STORE MANAGER

James Gell, clerk in the local Safeway store, received word last night of his appointment as manager of a branch store in Oakland, California. Mr. Gell, his wife, and their four-year-old son are leaving this evening for Oakland where he will take over his new duties immediately. Mr. Gell's advancement comes as a recognition of his fine service here in Roseburg.

WOMAN KILLED BY GASOLINE BLAST

MT. VERNON, N. Y., Jan. 21 — Gasoline with which she was cleaning her gloves exploded and fatally burned Mrs. Lorraine Abbott, 40, wife of F. G. Abbott, an executive of McKesson & Robbins, wholesale druggists.

UNEXPENDED COUNTY FUNDS OVER \$643,000

More Than Two-Thirds on Bond Redemption Item; \$5,270 Saved From Annual Budget.

Douglas county, on December 31, 1930, had \$643,295.63 of unexpended funds, according to the annual cash balance announced by County Clerk Roy Agee. These funds were credited to the several accounts as follows: General county, \$73,511.94; unapportioned tax, \$2,233.69; general road fund, \$27,356.77; market roads, \$43,899.72; road districts, \$17,451.81; special road tax, \$26,940.91; court-house fund, \$5,727.32; motor license fund, \$5,282.25; forest rentals, \$7,318.21; bond redemption fund, \$433,469.91.

Nineteen of the county's thirty-six budget accounts were under their allotments for the year, with fifteen above the allowance while two were over. The total budget was \$1,925,851.66. The total expenditures were \$1,885,586.59. Funds in which the total budget allowance was not used left a balance of \$16,888.92, while those over the budget created a deficiency of \$11,618.46, leaving a net amount under budget allowances of \$5,270.46.

The report for the clerk's office shows a total of 258 cases filed in the circuit court, of which 53 were divorces and 205 involved other complaints. There were 45 divorces granted during the year. Marriage licenses totaled 255. There were 129 cases filed in the probate court, 3,358 instruments recorded, 1,559 dog licenses sold, 81 beekeeper's licenses sold and 16 dance hall licenses issued. The clerk received \$4,172 in recording fees; \$3,454, circuit court fees; \$1,069.00, probate court fees; \$765, from marriage licenses; \$133.75, Torrens fees; \$229.95, miscellaneous fees; \$81 from beekeeper's licenses, and \$3,298.00 from dog license fund, making a total of \$12,521.20 turned over to the county treasurer. He paid to the state treasurer \$479 for the circuit judge's salary account and \$285 for the district attorney salary account, a total of \$764 paid to the state. The expense of operating the clerk's office, including salaries

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COLLEGE HIT BY \$1,000,000 BLAZE

CAMBRIDGE SPRINGS, Pa., Jan. 21 — The main building of the Polish National Alliance college here—including the school's fine museum—was a mass of smoldering ashes today, and faculty members estimated the loss in last night's fire at close to \$1,000,000. Many valuable relics, including letters exchanged by George Washington with distinguished Polish revolutionaries, were prey of the flames. College officials said today the Polish government once had offered the school \$50,000 for these letters. No one was injured. The 500 or more students, who were in the chapel when the fire broke out, were not informed the building was ablaze until they had fled out. Origin of the blaze was not determined.

ELK KILLING TRIO FINED AND JAILED

PENDELTON, Jan. 21 — Don Eaton, Lawrence Timmons and Kyle Cowles, all of Milton-Tree, were fined \$200 each and sentenced to 30 days in jail when they pleaded guilty today in justice court to a charge of killing cow elk. The minimum penalty was given. The maximum is \$1,000 fine and one year in jail.

O. & E. PLAN TO GET SILETZ R. R. BLOCKED

Federal Examiner Sullivan Finds No Necessity for Sale Unless Made to Southern Pacific.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 — Plans of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific railways to extend their operations in Oregon in competition with the Southern Pacific system met with a preliminary obstacle today before the interstate commerce commission. Thomas F. Sullivan, examiner who investigated, advised the commission to disapprove purchase of the Valley and Siletz railroad by the Oregon Electric railway, a subsidiary of the northern companies, at \$2,000,000. He urged the commission to refuse the Oregon Electric permission to had sought to construct a connection with the valley line at a cost of \$145,000. Sullivan advised the commission to allow the Southern Pacific, which opposed the program of its competitors at all points, to purchase the valley line at a reasonable price.

The controversy, together with recommendations, will be submitted to the commission for final adjudication.

The Oregon Electric purchase and construction program which Sullivan's report tentatively rejected, is only one of a series of contested extension projects in which the northern roads, the Great Northern being particularly aggressive, have sought to enter Southern Pacific territory.

Although the valley road is only 40 miles long and all located in Polk and Benton counties, Oregon, the projected extension by the electric company from Oroville to Independence to reach it would entail construction of an expensive bridge, Sullivan held. He said service to shippers could be rendered with existing facilities without new investment if the Southern Pacific should acquire the valley line. "Offer Not Justified"

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LEGION POST WILL HOLD SMOKER FEB. 6

A large group of Roseburg legionnaires and auxiliary members drove to Canyonville last night, where a joint meeting was held with the Grants Post groups. Each organization held a short business session. Umpqua post fixed February 6 as the date for the annual smoker and arrangements were placed in charge of the post commander, with J. A. Soules as chairman. The smoker, which will feature several good boxing matches, will be given free for all ex-service men.

GEN. WOOD VIEWS WALLA WALLA SITE

General George H. Wood, head of the national soldiers home bureau, made his inspection of the Walla Walla site yesterday and left in the afternoon for Yakima, where he is to look over a site offered there. The Walla Walla site is connected with the grounds of the U. S. Veterans' hospital. General Wood is quoted as stating that the Walla Walla site is ideal "if the department wishes to try the experiment of combining the location for a hospital and soldiers home."

MAC DONALD REGIME DEFEATED BUT SAFE

LONDON, Jan. 21 — The MacDonald government was defeated in the house of commons today on an amendment to the education bill, but Prime Minister MacDonald said no vital principle was involved. Thus the government will not be obliged to resign. The bill was moved by John Scurr, Roman Catholic labor member, who previously had moved an amendment which would authorize the use of government funds to enable denominational schools to meet expenses incurred by the provision in the bill raising the school leaving age from 14 to 15 years. He said in making that motion that this provision meant that the denominational schools would need \$5,000,000 to enlarge their buildings.

MEET SUCCESSOR TO CLARA BOW



Because Clara Bow is at present cast in a discreditable role in a spy criminal action against her former private secretary in a Los Angeles court, Sylvia Sidney will take the red-headed screen flapper's place opposite Gary Cooper in "City Streets." Official announcement of this change of co-stars comes from the Paramount studios, which explained that the change was made for reasons "within the organization." Pictures in which Miss Bow appears have already been banned in several cities, and agitation against them prevails in others. Miss Sidney, recently brought to Hollywood from New York, is regarded as a sensational screen "discovery."

POULTRYMEN NAME CLARK'S DRY ACT TWO FOR DIRECTOR K. O. HELD WRONG

Joe Payne, Geo. Burt Local Selections for Seat on Cooperative Board. 18th Amendment Legally Adopted, Thacher Tells U. S. Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 — The Clark decision holding the eighteenth amendment invalid was put to rest today in the supreme court. Oral argument on the government's prompt appeal began shortly after noon.

Chief Justice Hughes withdrew from the case, announcing he submitted a brief to the court when prohibition was before it in 1920, and thus considered himself disqualified. The decision of Federal Judge William Clark of New Jersey, was based on a contention that the amendment to be valid should have been ratified by state conventions rather than by state legislatures.

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WASHINGTON ECHOES WITH ORAL TUMULT

Findings as Whole Favored Revision, One Member of Board Says; Hoover Definitely Dry.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 — The growing tumult of discussion, dispute and speculation over the Wickersham prohibition report centered today around two salient queries: "How far did the commission mean to go toward recommending revision of the eighteenth amendment, and what will be the political effect of President Hoover's opposition to such a step?" So aroused were the commission members over reports that the president had intervened to forestall an unequivocal modification proposal that the following statement was issued by Chairman Wickersham: "The statement this morning in the Washington Herald that the president persuaded this commission to abandon a tentative recommendation in favor of revision of the eighteenth amendment is absolutely untrue and without foundation."

Inside Story is Secret Neither the chairman nor any member of the commission now in Washington, however, was willing to tell the full story of the weeks of discussion within the commission, or explain how or when the decision against an out and out revision proposal was reached.

As it appears in the combined commission report, signed by all of the members but one, the suggested draft of a new eighteenth amendment was presented by an "it," and by a statement that opinion among members was divided. Yet at least six of the eleven declared in appended statements that they favored either revision or repeal, and at least two of these

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OLEO COLORING BAN IN OREGON FOUGHT

PORTLAND, Jan. 21 — Coloring of oleomargarine to the likeness of butter is defended in an attack filed in the Oregon law in federal district court here by Durkee Ammons Foods, Inc. The suit seeks to restrain the state dairy and food commissioner from enforcing the law prohibiting manufacture and sale of oleomargarine artificially colored to imitate butter. Making its own product, the Illinois corporation is declared in bold-face letters on the package, and contends this is sufficient to let the consumer know the nature of the product.

EX-PUG HELD FOR MURDER OF GIRL

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 21 — Miss Mildred Key, 24, was shot and killed on the front porch of an apartment house here early today. George W. "Newt" McCasland, ex-pug, was arrested and charged with murder. Two Chicago youths, Gordon C. Keith, 23, and Donald Huck, 24, who were stopping at the apartment house, were held as witnesses.

Pays to Rid Himself of Mine; Then it Yields

ALAMOS, Sonora, Mexico, Jan. 21 — L. S. Patterson, an American farmer who lived near Ciudad Obregon, purchased an old mine, La Frontalia, from a Syrian, Fokko de Iza, and went to work looking for gold. After six months, when all his money was gone, he decided to quit. He paid Iza a sum to cancel his contract, and the Syrian took the mine back, Patterson returning to the United States a month ago. Iza, anxious to see how much work Patterson had done, went to the mine and hacking at a rock with a small hammer, discovered a vein of gold which is paying off at the rate of \$2,000 a ton.

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