

WEATHER

Highest temperature yesterday 60
Lowest temperature last night 48
Precipitation for 24 hours .82
Precip. since first of month 2.32
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1935 23.12
Excess since Sept. 1, 1935 .46
Occasional Rain; Mild.

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But Roseburg may yet build that desired trunk line sewer and disposal plant. Where there's a will there's a way, and the project looks like the "must" type. The NEWS-REVIEW will keep you posted.

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NEW FARM BILL MOVES TOWARD PASSAGE

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
HERE is an interesting statement, culled from the news: "Since April 7, 1933, when modification went into effect, the federal government and the states have collected more than \$1,225,000,000 in liquor taxes and license fees."

That is a lot of money.
COMPETENT authorities tell us that at least 25 per cent of the price the consumer pays for liquor goes to the federal and state governments in the form of taxes.

If that is true, it means that in the two and three-quarter years since prohibition was modified the people of the United States have spent about FIVE BILLION dollars for liquor.
That is at the rate of nearly two billion dollars a year.

IF WE would all cut out liquor, and turn over to the government the money we have been spending for it, we could pay off our present staggering national debt in about 18 years—assuming, of course, that no more was added to the present debt total.

IN THE calendar years of 1934 and 1935, the federal government collected \$833,068,159 in taxes on alcoholic beverages. That is at the rate of considerably more than 400 million dollars a year.

Your grandfather can remember when the TOTAL cost of running the federal government was only about 400 million dollars a year. Now 400 million dollars is only a drop in the bucket.

WHY IS the cost of federal government going up?
Here is one reason: On June 30, 1928, at the end of the Coolidge administration, the number of persons on the payroll

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OREGON UNION WINS WAGNER ACT CASE

PORTLAND, Feb. 21 (AP)—The first Oregon case under the Wagner labor act resulted in a decision in favor of the textile union, Harry M. Kenin, trial examiner in Oregon, said today.

He recommended the Oregon Worsted company of Portland "cease and desist interfering with employees, re-employ the union employee, Sidney Girard, and pay his wages at the rate of \$14.60 a week since the date of his discharge, Nov. 21, 1935."

Kenin upheld the union's contention that the company is engaged in interstate commerce, that it showed "favoritism" in its treatment of members of the employees' mutual council and that it discharged Girard for the "sole reason" that he "joined and assisted" the union.

The case may be carried to the supreme court, it was intimated by A. E. Rosenberg, attorney for the worsted company.

HEAVY RAINS HIT WESTERN OREGON AREA

Downpour Brings Warmer Temperature; Columbia Gorge Again Battles With Deep Snow.

For the second consecutive day Roseburg this morning was the warmest spot in Oregon. The minimum temperature last night was 50 degrees, three degrees higher than any other reporting station.

The rainstorm which started last night brought .82 of an inch of precipitation prior to the 5 a. m. reading at the local weather bureau station, with indications that rainfall today would bring the total for the 24-hour period to one inch or more.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 21.—(AP)—Rain and above freezing temperatures returned to Portland today and washed away the ice and snow which fringed the streets for two weeks.

Edward L. Wells, government meteorologist, predicted that occasional rains would continue in western Oregon tonight and tomorrow, while more snow would visit portions of eastern Oregon.

Southeast storm warnings were displayed along the coast from Eureka, Calif., to Aberdeen, Wash., and northeast warnings on the northern Washington coast.

The heavy rains were general in the Willamette valley and as far south as Roseburg.

A blinding snowstorm in the Columbia gorge blocked the highway again today for the second time this winter. Tapicosa snow and sleet rolled down the high banks and covered the road.

Traffic was routed over the Bridge of the Gods and the North Bank highway.

Trucker Has Close Call
An inland motor freight truck driven by Roy Garrett slipped from the slick and half-hidden road near Lindsey creek between Hood River and Cascade locks, rolled over several times and burned to a frazzle. The driver miraculously escaped.

Trainers and state highway road engineers said the storm was even worse than last week's snow deluge which blocked the roads. The Columbia River highway is blocked indefinitely. It was announced. The roads filled with snow as fast as it could be plowed off.

The snow pellets rolled down the high, steep banks and submerged the highway and railroad tracks.

Five inches of new snow was on the ground at The Dalles today and more was falling. The temperature

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RALPH R. LEONARD OUT FOR SHERIFF

Ralph R. Leonard, local insurance agent, has announced himself as a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of sheriff at the primary election May 15.

F. R. Would Extend Civil Service To All Postmasters

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—(AP)—President Roosevelt said today he hoped there would be legislation placing all postmasters under the civil service.

While not specifying action at this session, the president said he expects to continue conferences on the subject.

He remarked that he advocated such a proposition as far back as 1913.

First, second and third class postmasters do not come under the civil service now.

As various emergency agencies of the government become permanent, Mr. Roosevelt said he expected their employees to be covered by civil service regulations.

The president did not designate which agencies he had in mind.

FORMER MEMBER OF CABINET DIES

Victor H. Metcalf Held Two Portfolios Under Late Theodore Roosevelt.

OAKLAND, Calif., Feb. 21.—(AP)—Victor H. Metcalf, twice a cabinet member in the Theodore Roosevelt administration, died last night at the age of 82, only six weeks after the death of his wife, Emily.

He cherished an intimate friendship with the late president which, 32 years ago, ripened into his appointment as secretary of labor and commerce when those cabinet posts were one. Two years later, in 1906, he was named secretary of the navy and held this office until 1908.

Born in Utica, New York, Metcalf was graduated from Yale university in 1876 with the degree of bachelor of laws. He moved to Oakland in 1879. He continued his legal career 20 years, then was elected to the house of representatives in 1899 from the third California congressional district.

Twice reelected, he resigned in 1904 to accept appointment as secretary of labor and commerce.

On quitting Washington, Metcalf returned here and became affiliated with the Alameda County Title Insurance company. He succeeded to the organization's presidency in 1930, shortly after which he retired.

Metcalf is survived by a son, William Howard, and two sisters.

FIREMEN AT BAKER HAVE BUSY PERIOD

BAKER, Feb. 21 (AP)—A full period of fire fighting featuring battles against flames slapping at two residences and a refrigerator truck loaded with merchandise was experienced by Baker firemen between 7 o'clock Thursday night and 6 o'clock this morning when they responded to four calls.

TAX PROGRAM SOON TO TAKE DEFINITE FORM

Draft Deferred Until Next Week, Roosevelt Says; Congress Wants No Higher Levies.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—(AP)—President Roosevelt said today the tax bill to finance the new farm program would be formulated finally after his return next week from his home in Hyde Park, N. Y.

He added that conferences with the heads of government spending agencies would continue through April.

A billion dollar cancellation in authorized borrowing has been projected by the president, but he has given no intimation of what may be accomplished in the way of curtailing direct expenditures.

Legislators hoping and praying that President Roosevelt will make the tax bill as small as possible in this campaign year took comfort in optimistic notes struck by congressional tax advisers.

Noting a rise of \$2,625,126 in ordinary internal revenue collections last month as compared with January, 1935, the advisers gave figures to show that with a further upswing in business the present tax rates would pour much more money into the treasury than it ever received in peak prosperity years.

Welcome Figures Given
One congressional tax report said that present levies, applied to earnings approximating those of 1929, would produce \$6,765,000,000 annually. Total revenue receipts recently have been running at the rate of about \$4,900,000,000 a year, almost as much as the receipts of 1929, when the tax structure was different.

These figures were welcome to congress members who have been arguing that sizeable new tax levies are not necessary, despite the deficit, relief demands, congressional passage of the bonus, and the wiping out of AAA's processing taxes by the supreme court.

Despite the gain in ordinary internal revenues, the shutting off of processing taxes led to a net drop of \$10,600,000 in January, 1936, as compared to the previous January.

Most legislators expect Mr. Roosevelt to recommend taxes, perhaps totaling \$500,000,000, to succeed the processing levies and to support the new farm program expected to pass the house this week. But many are hopeful that

CAPITOL PLAN FEE SET AT 6 PER CENT

PORTLAND, Feb. 21.—(AP)—The Oregon sanitor reconstruction commission voted to pay a six per cent architectural fee on the new \$2,200,000 structure.

It was decided at yesterday's meeting here to hold \$300,000 of the available funds in reserve for unforeseen expenses which might arise later.

PWA officials told the commission it must show speed or lose the grant of federal funds to aid in the construction.

The commission members said the program was going ahead as rapidly as possible and dates would be announced soon for the nationwide contest to select an architect for the new statehouse.

If an out-of-state architect wins the job, he will receive four per cent and must associate himself with an Oregon architect who will receive two per cent.

The next five ranking architects in the project will receive cash prizes of \$1500 each.

CRASH BLOCKADE? 'Cinch,' Connelly Asserts

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 21.—(AP)—"One - Eye" Connelly, who boasts of being the world's foremost hobo and "gate crusher," will test the Los Angeles hobo blockade some time today.

Connelly, who is headed for the Santa Anita handicap, and is "in a hurry," poop-pooed suggestions he might not crash the blockade thrown up by Los Angeles police to keep hoboes out of California.

"It's going to be a cinch, a push over," Connelly said. "I've crashed tougher gates than those leading to California."

Exhibiting his life membership card in the Hoboes of America, Connelly headed for the Arizona-California border. He said he probably would cross at Yuma.

TAX STATEMENTS BEING RECEIVED

Douglas Property Owners Called On for Slightly Increased Amounts.

Property owners in Douglas county are this week receiving their tax statements from the tax collection department of the sheriff's office. The statements in most cases call for slightly larger payments than those of last year.

There is a particularly noticeable increase in the city of Roseburg, where the levy is approximately three and a half mills higher than last year.

For the county as a whole there is a one mill increase in the combined state and county levy. Last year the state and county levy was 15.5 mills and this year 16.5 mills.

The Roseburg city levy is increased from 17.5 to 20 mills, due to demands of increased bond principal and interest payments, while the levy of school district No. 4, including Roseburg and immediate vicinity, is increased from 18.3 mills to 18.6 mills.

The city's increase in taxes is also partially due to a decrease in valuation from \$4,436,750 last year to \$4,297,510 this year, making an increase in levy necessary to raise the money required.

MRS. W. H. LYNCH DIES OF GUNSHOT

PORTLAND, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Mrs. Catherine Lynch, 56, wife of W. H. Lynch, district engineer of the federal bureau of roads, died at her home last night from an apparently self-inflicted bullet wound in the head, Deputy Coroner Earl Shea said today.

Lynch said he entered the bedroom about midnight and found his wife dead, the coroner related. Ill health was the only reason ascribed.

ARSON CHARGED IN MARSHFIELD FIRE

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Feb. 21.—(AP)—Damage estimated by the owners at \$15,000 was caused today when fire swept through the Prosper sawmill and retail lumber yard on Marshfield's water front.

Fire Chief P. J. Shepherd said the blaze was of incendiary origin. The loss was only partially covered by insurance.

DRUNKEN DRIVER SERVES TIME HERE

Thomas E. Dardis of Reedsport was brought to Roseburg last night to serve a sentence of 30 days in jail following conviction in the Reedsport justice court on a charge of drunken driving. He was also sentenced to pay a fine of \$25.

DAIRY PLANT WRECKING LAD TO DYNAMITE

Olympia Police Chief Has 'Several Good Leads' and Says He Looks For Results.

OLYMPIA, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Dynamite caused the mysterious explosion which yesterday wrecked two dairy plants here, Detective Ray Hays and Max Mrohs, explosive expert, said today.

Five persons narrowly escaped possible death or serious injury. Frank Andrews, a longshoreman, suffered a severe cut on his hand.

Two blasts demolished the Sanitary dairy in downtown Olympia and badly damaged the Olympia Milk Producers' association plant, a cooperative, several blocks removed from the business center.

Hays and Mrohs concluded that ordinary dynamite was used in the Sanitary plant blasts and Mrohs estimated 75 pounds were used. The sides of the building were bulged out and the roof dropped into the plant. A fire was extinguished quickly. Two men were badly shaken by the second blast after they had investigated the first explosion.

Warning Saves Lives
Hays said he believed the first explosion, of a minor nature, was intended as a warning to occupants of apartments over the rear section of the plant. Little damage resulted to the brick apartment structure, but two persons, warned by Andrews, after the first blast, were thrown to the ground outside the building when the second charge exploded.

The concrete building housing the producers' association withstood the terrific explosion there, but machinery and equipment was badly damaged and 450 windows were broken in the nearby Olympia Knitting mills building.

Police Chief John M. Walker said he expected some definite developments today as a result of "several good leads." Owners of the wrecked businesses were at a loss for any explanation of the vandalism.

MRS. A. F. BELLOWES, PIONEER, PASSES

Mrs. Almira Frances Bellowes, 87, well known pioneer resident of Douglas county, died at her home in Roseburg last night. She was born at Brandon, Mass., Feb. 15, 1849, and was married to Andrew J. Bellowes at Blackstone, Mass., April 15, 1868, in 1871 she and her husband came by train from Iowa to Roseburg via the overland stage route. Mr. Bellowes passed away on December 23, 1928. Mrs. Bellowes was a member of the Daughters of American Revolution, and of the Women's Relief Corps, and a life-long member of the Presbyterian church.

She is survived by a daughter and two sons, Mrs. George M. Brown, Roseburg; Alva A. Bellowes and Roy E. Bellowes, all of Roseburg, besides several grandchildren.

The body has been removed to the Douglas Funeral home and funeral services will be held in the Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. Rev. W. C. Faucett officiating. Interment will be in the I. O. O. F. cemetery. Arrangements are in charge of the Douglas Funeral home.

EX-OREGON MAN FACES FIRE CHARGE

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21.—(AP)—The governor's office issued papers today for the return of Ernest A. Keyser from San Diego to Lane county, Oregon, where he is charged with "burning with intent to injure."

The requisition papers charge Keyser purchased a house and lot in Springfield, Ore., and after his wife left him, January 5, he set fire to the house because the owner refused to return a down payment of \$150.

BIG ICICLE BREAKS MAN'S SHOULDER

WILBUR, Wash., Feb. 21.—(AP)—Carl F. Schaefer had a broken shoulder blade today because of an icicle. He said the icicle, weighing close to 100 pounds, fell on him from a trestle at the Grand Coulee dam workings.

Woman Toiling as Man Loses Job as Wind Bares Head

BOSTON, Feb. 21.—(AP)—A gust of wind blew off a Boston and Maine railroad snow shoveler's cap today and disclosed the worker was a woman.

Her long hair, released when the cap blew off, gave away her disguise.

Dressed as a man, the unidentified woman had worked with a crew of several shovelers for three days, the railroad announced, and might still have been employed at 40 cents an hour if her sex had not been revealed.

The foreman of the gang in which the woman worked discharged her, officials said, as soon as her sex was revealed. It is against the railroad's policy to employ women for such work.

CHAUFFEUR HELD IN AGED PAIR'S DEATH

Fatal Beating and Burning Occur in Lodging House in Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 21.—(AP)—A 25-year old chauffeur, Fred Stettler, was booked on suspicion of murder today in connection with the double slaying of Carl S. Barbour, 65, and his wife, Dorothea, 61. Detectives who arrested Stettler had checked the Barbour rooming house register to find a person with the technical knowledge to perpetrate a "murder-by-the-clock."

The elderly couple was blindfolded to death and their bodies placed on a bed, which the slayer set on fire early yesterday by a "clock" mechanism connected with an electric heater.

Detective Lieutenant Lloyd Patton said Stettler formerly lived at the Barbour home and one of his charred personal carrels, with his new address, was found in the couple's effects.

The detective said Stettler had been reported tinkering with electrical devices in much of his spare time.

When the chauffeur, who works part time, was arrested at his home late last night, Patton said he was found in possession of an electric soldering iron and wire similar to that used in construction of the arson machine which fired the Barbour bedroom.

Stettler maintained under questioning that he had not been near the Barbour home Wednesday night and had last seen the couple, with whom he had a close acquaintance, a week ago.

"The case isn't solved yet, but it looks like we're making some progress," Detective Patton declared.

PRISON QUIZ SHOWS AMAZING SITUATION

JOLIET, Ill., Feb. 21.—(AP)—Wardon Roy Best of the Colorado state prison, a member of the commission invited to study prison conditions after the slaying of Richard Loeb by a fellow convict here on Jan. 28, said today that conditions of inmates pictured "testimony that were nothing less than astounding."

Among the disclosures reported made by convicts to investigating committee members were that convicts played poker for large stakes in their cells, that money was smuggled to inmates and was used to corrupt guards, that liquor was manufactured and circulated freely, that narcotics were obtainable and that favored wealthy inmates were permitted to wear white shirts and flannel trousers instead of prison garb.

RIOTS PLACE SPAIN UNDER MARTIAL LAW

MADRID, Feb. 21.—Martial law spread through Spain today against revived radical rioting in which at least eight persons were killed, churches and rightist centers raided and the red flag of communism raised at isolated points.

A power shovel was on the way to the scene early this afternoon and highway crews reported that they hoped to have the road open to one-way traffic by 6 p. m. today.

HOUSE VOTES FOR BATCH OF AMENDMENTS

Consumer Protection, Aid in Soil Conservation, Old Income Parity Are Included.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—(AP)—The house today voted a strong consumer-protection amendment into the new farm bill and pushed the measure ahead toward passage tonight.

The amendment was proposed by Representative McCormack (D., Mass.). It would direct the secretary of agriculture to work toward a pre-war "parity" income for the farmer without discouraging production to a point below the 1920-29 average domestic consumption. Accepted by Chairman Jones (D., Tex.) of the agricultural committee, the consumer proviso was along the lines of the Wagner amendment defeated by a wide margin in the senate.

After McCormack had explained the interests of his industrial area in protection of the consumer, Jones told the house the amendment was acceptable since it included the 1909-14 "parity" objective for farm income. This would be attained by seeking to reestablish the ratio of that period between the net income of the farmer and non-farmer.

The amendment was adopted on a voice vote.

Protests Heard
Before the house met, representatives of several organizations headed by the people's lobby were given a formal "protest" audience by Majority Leader Bankhead of Alabama and Minority Leader Snell of New York.

They complained that the bill, already passed in the senate, was being put through without any hearings. Republicans on the floor have voiced similar complaints.

Another variation from the senate bill quickly approved was a committee amendment to permit

Drain-Reedsport Road Blocked by Slide at Tunnel

The Umpqua highway between Drain and Reedsport was blocked this afternoon by a slide at the east entrance to the Elk creek tunnel at Hancock mountain, according to word received at the division office of the state highway department here. Heavy rain last night and this morning loosened approximately 1,500 to 2,000 yards of rock and dirt, which completely covered the highway, it was reported.

A power shovel was on the way to the scene early this afternoon and highway crews reported that they hoped to have the road open to one-way traffic by 6 p. m. today.

Several small slides are reported at various points along the road.

Confederate Veteran, 96, Awaits 18th Visit of Stork at His Home

NEW BERN, N. C., Feb. 21.—(AP)—George Hughes, who became a father at 94, now is hoping to set a longevity record for his family.

Hughes' paternity at so advanced an age attracted wide attention, but its authenticity was verified by several physicians and an account of the case was printed in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

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gave birth to a son the following year. The boy was named Franklin Delano Roosevelt Hughes.

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THREE ASPIRANTS FOR OFFICES FILE

SALEM, Feb. 21.—(AP)—W. A. Johnson of Grants Pass filed with the secretary of state today his declaration of candidacy for county state senator from Josephine county. Johnson, a republican, served in the lower house of the legislature at the last session.

S. M. Nossier, Coquille, filed for the republican nomination for state representative from Coos county.

Willis West of Astoria, democrat, filed for reelection as district attorney of Clatsop county for a second term.

BOWMAN ADJUDGED CHAMPION COWBOY

TUCSON, Ariz., Feb. 21.—(AP)—The Rodeo Association of America recognized Everett Bowman, Fort Thomas, Ariz., as the grand champion of cowboys today, and gave him a \$500 cash award.

Bowman also received checks of \$100 each as champion calf roper and steer wrestler.

Pete Knight, Denver, selected as second grand champion cowboy, was awarded \$100. Knight, in addition, received \$100 as champion bronc rider.

FROM THE HEADLINES

By the Deacon
Miss Vivian Denton, of Angelus temple, has sued Almee McPherson, whose mid-name is Semple. Miss Denton, it seems, was publicity director, for Angelus temple and her erstwhile protector.

Now whether she failed to make the front page and threw Mrs. Almee into a rage, or if she was Almee and just naturally had and made the whole force at Angelus mad, is a thing not explained in the papers to date; but, it seems, she aroused the spirit of hate.

She says that a quarrel with Almee arose; Almee pushed her down stairs and bloodied her nose and called her vile names; and then she was fired; but she got the publicity for which she was hired.