

THE WEATHER

Highest temperature yesterday 38. Lowest temperature last night 33. Precipitation for 24 hours .72. Precip. since first of month 4.21. Precip. from Sep. 1, 1936 8.62. Deficiency since Sep. 1, 1936 10.06. Occasional snow; cool.

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SWOLLEN OHIO RIVER POUNDS AT LEVEES

BLOCKADED ROADS RESTRICT DOUGLAS COUNTY TRAFFIC

SLIDE NEAR DRAIN BEING PUSHED AWAY

Snow Perils Travel From Canyonville Southward; Many School Pupils Get Holiday.

School children in many of the outlying communities of Douglas county enjoyed an unexpected holiday as school buses were turned back today from their usual routes by snow-blocked roads. Rural mail carriers were forced to make deliveries on foot to some postoffices. Highway crews worked desperately to maintain traffic, while power and communication lines were being patrolled in order that service might be maintained.

Snow depths in Douglas county ranged from a trace of lower levels to three or more feet in the Coast range and lower Cascade mountains, where many families and small communities were snow bound.

Restricted traffic was maintained on the Pacific highway blocked last night by a slide to the north of Roseburg and snow to the south.

Slide Being Cleared. One mile south of Drain, 2000 yards of rock and dirt slid into the highway last night. Crews had opened a path for one-way traffic by early morning, and expected to have the roadway cleared by late afternoon.

Trucks and trailers were ruled off the highway between Canyonville and Grants Pass, and only light vehicles equipped with chains were permitted on that section of the highway where snowplows were kept in constant use to maintain traffic.

The Roseburg-Cook Bay highway was kept open through approximately two feet of snow on Canas mountain, where a snowplow was kept busy yesterday and today.

The Red Hill road was reported closed between Drain and Yoncalla. The North Umpqua road was blocked beyond Idlewild. The North and South Myrtle Creek roads were open only for about seven miles out of Myrtle Creek. The Boomer Hill road was closed as was the Smith River road into Gunter, and

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MAX BAER'S HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Jan. 28.—(AP)—The palatial country home of Max Baer, former world's heavyweight champion and his manager Anell Hoffman, was destroyed last night by fire at a loss Hoffman estimated was nearly \$40,000.

The building, in the Citrus heights district, was a show spot of Sacramento's suburban area.

Baer, Hoffman and their wives were all in the house at the time. All escaped injury. Baer and Hoffman aided firemen in attempting to control the fire.

Hoffman said he believed the fire was of incendiary origin, as the blaze appeared to break out in several different places at once. Flames completely enveloped the buildings before they were discovered.

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS. CITRUS crop suffers \$60,000,000 loss as cold ruins half the crop. So runs the news from Southern California. It's bad news up here in Southern Oregon, where California is our best customer. NOBODY likes to see his best customer lose money.

BUT, from the standpoint of the orange grower, there's a consoling thought. Higher prices for oranges, lemons and grapefruit, if anticipated, will be at least partial compensation for the heavy frost loss.

The poor old consumer! He gets

Coastal Rivers Commercial Fishing Ban Argued

Legislative Body Hears Pros and Cons on Senator Clark's Closure Bill, Affecting Umpqua Question

More than 200 persons, representing both the proponents and opponents of the bill introduced by Senator C. W. Clark of Douglas county to close all coastal streams of Oregon, except the Columbia river, to commercial fishing, were present at Salem yesterday for a joint committee hearing on the measure.

The hearing was conducted by the senate committee on fishing industry and game. Representatives from nearly all coastal streams were present to urge passage of the bill, while there was also a large representation of the commercial interests, particularly from the Umpqua river.

Arguments for the closing of the streams were presented under the direction of Chris Kowitz, Salem attorney and chairman of the legislative committee of the Oregon Wild Life federation. Douglas county was represented by more than 25 persons, a larger delegation, which had been expected, being prevented from making the trip because of storm conditions.

Several members of the county group spoke in favor of closing the streams. M. L. Klimmel of Idlewild presenting the opening and closing arguments for the proponents.

Proponents of the measure maintained that as the situation now

POWER DEMANDS OFFERED BY GRANGE

Bonneville Service at Low Rates Asked; Pooling Plan Opposed.

SALEM, Jan. 28.—(AP)—A memorial to congress, sponsored by the state grange, requesting federal transmission lines from Bonneville power and sale of power to the ultimate consumer at cheap rates as opposed to pooling transmission facilities with those of private companies for long periods, came into the house of the Oregon legislature today.

The memorial, signed by Representatives J. F. Hosch of Deschutes county and Ronald Jones of Marion county, outlined in detail the grange's view on the pooling of power in development of the energy created by the large dam on the Columbia river.

As the grange program stands, three of the four points have made their way into the Oregon legislature.

Legislation for a unicameral house, one of the grange proposals, was in the senate, introduced by Senator Byron G. Carney of Clackamas county, and the house passed a resolution yesterday creating the position of lieutenant governor.

There has been no legislation introduced on a state-owned bank.

The power memorial refers not only to Bonneville but to all federal plants. The grange committee, however, declared itself in favor of considering Bonneville as a separate unit for fixing of power costs.

Points in the power memorial

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it in the neck just about every time anything happens. Especially when what happens blocks the normal channels of supply and demand.

STRIKES, from one end of the country to the other, are entailing heavy loss of profits to employers and of wages to employees. But the HEAVIEST strike losses will fall on the poor old consumer.

SEVENTEEN Russians, all former high-up bolsheviks, are on trial for treason in Moscow, charged with plotting to sell Russia out to Germany and Japan.

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FUEL, ESTATE TAX BILLS TO BE PRESENTED

Fresh Revenue Needed For Schools, Legislature Of Oregon Told; Pension Bills Disputed.

By CLAYTON V. BERNHARD. SALEM, Jan. 28.—(AP)—A quarter cent tax on fuel and diesel oil and two and half per cent tax on all estates for the benefit of the elementary school fund will be introduced in Oregon if two proposals being circulated in the house of the Oregon legislature today gain approval.

Sponsors of the two measures announced a score of signatures would be on the two measures before introduction.

Battle lines were drawn more clearly in the lower house of the legislature when representatives battled over old age pension bills.

The creation of the office of lieutenant governor for Oregon. Cries of "railroading legislation" were heard and accusations of "fixing procedure in the house" were hurled in a turbulent morning session.

Pension Bills "Hot". Fireworks over the two old age pension bills of Representative Henry Olson, Columbia, started early. Trouble arose before the bills had reached third reading.

In referring the bills to committees, House Speaker Bolvin split the two measures, sending the one which would reduce the old age limit to 65 years to Olson's committee on assessment and taxation, and the other, providing a gross income tax, to the committee on taxation and revenue headed by Representative Hockett.

Olson promised a stiff battle over his bill if committee action was not favorable.

A move by Representative Norblad to bring the resolution asking for creation of the position of lieutenant-governor in Oregon back from the senate, where it had been sent yesterday by a close 22-27 vote, added more debate to the most lively session in the lower house to date.

Norblad claimed dissatisfaction among several members over the way the vote was

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NEUTRAL BLOCKADE OF SPAIN PLANNED

(By the Associated Press). International negotiators, spurred by Italo-German promises to cooperate, rushed plans today to isolate war-infested Spain.

A neutral blockade of Spanish coasts, to halt spread of the war fever to the rest of Europe, was planned by the London non-intervention committee, using fleets of four great powers concentrated in the Mediterranean.

Government General Miaja, assuming the Madrid offensive, saw his men sweep to a dawn victory, winning West Park Hill dominating the shell-torn University City sector of Madrid's northwestern outskirts.

It was Miaja said, the most important victory since the government troops dislodged insurgents temporarily from "Hill of the Angels," 25 miles south of the capital. Other socialist government troops were said to be engaged in successful actions in four other provinces.

DEPUTY SHERIFF J. L. DODSON DIES

Word was received here this morning of the sudden death at Reedsport last night of Deputy Sheriff J. L. Dodson. Mr. Dodson had been in poor health for considerable time, and was in Roseburg early this week for treatment. Death resulted from a heart ailment. He had served as deputy sheriff at Reedsport for the past 10 years.

YOUTHFUL CAR THIEVES LAND IN JAIL HERE

Cottage Grove Boys, After Trip to Tacoma, Nabbed in Chase in Snow Near Yoncalla.

Captured late yesterday evening after a three-mile chase through snow-covered hills between Yoncalla and Hayhurst, John Jerry Crawford, 17, and Francis Clair Ritchie, 16, both of Cottage Grove, were brought to Roseburg last night, charged with theft of an automobile Sunday from Eugene.

The two youths readily admitted the theft and told of driving the car to Tacoma, Wash., Sunday and then back through Eugene and south to Yoncalla, where they were apprehended while trying to steal gasoline, according to Paul Parsons, state police supervisor for the Roseburg district.

The state police had maintained an all-night guard of the highway following the theft of the auto last day morning, about 10:30 o'clock Tuesday night. Their car stuck on a side road near Drain and they were forced to secure help to pro-

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BAPTISTS TO FETE GOLDEN JUBILEE

The golden jubilee anniversary of the First Baptist church in Roseburg will be celebrated with special services at the church today morning, afternoon and evening, instead of Saturday, as previously announced.

Dr. F. W. Starring, secretary of the Oregon Baptist state convention, and Dr. W. H. Eaton, former pastor, are expected to be present and will participate in the program.

Following the morning service, there will be a basket dinner when a birthday cake will be cut. This will be followed by a musical and speaking program. An evening service with special music and speaking will close the celebration.

QUINTUPLETS ROMP IN SUB-ZERO AREA

CALLANDER, Ont., Jan. 28.—(Canadian Press)—The Dionne quintuplets, 2 months old today, romped in sub-zero weather after Dr. Allan Roy Dufoe finished his monthly job of weighing and measuring them.

The doctor was particularly pleased that Marie, smallest of the five since birth, was catching up with her sisters. She gained a full inch in the last month while the others picked up fractions.

Marie stands 33 1/2 inches tall compared with 34 1/2 of the tallest, Yvonne and Annette. Marie gained one pound in weight, Yvonne one, and Emile a half pound.

PAIN EASED, POPE CONTINUES DUTIES

VATICAN CITY, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Increasing doses of valerian drops helped ease Pope Pius' pain and permitted him to continue his work today.

His doctors expressed hope that with care they might restore the pontiff to something akin to physical comfort, although they said the drops give only superficial relief and there is no chance for improvement in his fundamental condition.

DOCK STRIKE PARLEY AGAIN IN DEADLOCK

Union Has Gone as Far as It Can, Bridges States; Auto Strikes Chiefs Land in Hospital.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 28.—(AP)—The maritime strike situation was thrown into another deadlock today, Union Adviser H. P. Melnikoff announced, after a meeting between longshore leaders and shipowners failed to make progress on a jurisdictional dispute.

"The situation is completely deadlocked," Melnikoff said, after observers expressed the belief progress was being made.

"I cannot see why the owners failed to accept the reasonable offer for the men to return to work under the 1934 award, pending settlement of disputes."

He referred to a proposal by Harry Bridges, district president of the International Longshoremen's association, that the men return to work and place disputes in the hands of a joint labor relations committee, such as set up under the 1934 award.

"We have gone as far as we can," Bridges declared. "This is a reasonable proposition."

The employers, through T. G. Plant, chairman of their coast committee, had offered the same terms to continue work, previous to the walkout last Oct. 30.

E. P. Marsh and E. H. FitzGerald, federal conciliators, immediately telephoned to Assistant Secretary of Labor Edward F. McGrady at Washington, D. C., to inform him of the serious turn of events.

Organizers of workers get rough reception. DETROIT, Jan. 28.—Three organizers for the United Automobile Workers of America who encountered belligerent anti-strike crowds in Bay City and Saginaw were in a Flint hospital today recovering from injuries.

They were members of a group of five union organizers who set out from Flint yesterday to carry on membership campaign among General Motors employees in Bay City and Saginaw.

One, John Mayo, of Pittsburgh, disappeared during a clash with a hostile crowd at Saginaw during which police took the union men to police headquarters for safe keeping.

Robert Travis, U. A. W. A. organizer at Flint, expressed concern for Mayo's safety. State police were asked to search for him. Saginaw police said they had received no such request.

LOCAL ACTION ON PINBALL DEFERRED

No immediate action with regard to operation of pinball machines in Douglas county is contemplated, District Attorney J. V. Long said today. A recent circuit court ruling in Multnomah county held the games to be illegal.

The decision will doubtless be appealed to the supreme court, the district attorney said, and a satisfactory solution to all concerned can be made when the decision with regard to the legality of the machines is made final.

If any action is taken prior to the supreme court's decision, it will only be made after careful consideration, the district attorney said.

The city of Roseburg recently passed a licensing ordinance, which becomes effective February 1 and which is expected to cause the removal of a large number of the games now in operation in the city limits.

Seaplane Fleet Heads For Hawaii On Record Flight

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Jan. 28.—(AP)—The greatest mass naval transoceanic non-stop flight officially got under way for Honolulu today, the navy air station announced.

The twelve new giant patrol planes went into formation 10,000 feet above Point Loma, peninsular headland off San Diego.

This is the longest sustained flight a squadron of U. S. seaplanes ever attempted. They breakfasted here with the expectation of alighting on Pearl Harbor within 20 hours, in time to eat tomorrow's breakfast at the island naval base.

The twin-motored seaplanes have wings spanning 105 feet, with hulls 22 feet in length and 18 1/2 feet high.

RELIEF GIFT BASED ON FAMILY SIZE

Roselund Donation of \$7 On Per Capita Offered As Flood Aid Example.

If Douglas county families would follow the lead of Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Roselund and their five children, Douglas county would quickly surge to the front in per capita contributions to the American Red Cross flood relief fund, Mrs. Arthur Clarke, chapter chairman, said today.

"I think it would make everyone feel proud to help in the relief of the flood sufferers in the eastern states so I list our family for \$7 each," Mr. Roselund said in a letter to Mr. Clark. Enclosed was a subscription in the name of each of the seven members of the family.

"If all families could only respond in this way we would have a wonderful contribution to this most worthy cause," Mrs. Clarke said.

Contributions continued today, but Mrs. Clarke and Dr. J. H. Foley, chairman of the disaster relief committee, urge prompt response to appeals for aid, as telegrams received report a desperate need for funds.

Committees are working in the various communities of the county and several have already sent in sums representing early collections. Residents of Roseburg are urged to contribute to the fund at either of the two banks, the chamber of commerce, Roseburg News-Review, Douglas Abstract company or the office of Dr. H. C. Church.

U. S. NATIONAL BUYS BANK AT REDMOND

PORTLAND, Jan. 28.—(AP)—The United States National bank of Portland took over the Dairy central Oregon bank today. The central Oregon bank, established six years ago, has deposits approximating \$500,000. The Redmond institution is the 21st branch of the parent financial house.

"BIFF" JONES WILL COACH NEBRASKA U.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 28.—(AP)—The University of Nebraska athletic board announced today selection of Major Lawrence "Biff" Jones as the new Cornhusker football coach succeeding Dana X. Bible, who resigned to become grid mentor at Texas university.

Tom Mooney Fairly Convicted of S. F. Bombing, Referee Declares

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 25.—(AP)—A. E. Shaw, special referee of California's supreme court, held today that Thomas J. Mooney was fairly convicted of the 1916 Preparedness day bombing here.

In his special findings of fact filed with the supreme court today, Shaw ruled with the attorney general's office that Mooney was not entitled to release from prison on habeas corpus. Mooney has served 29 years of a life term for the bombing, in which 16 persons were killed and 59 injured.

"It is established by the preponderance of evidence," Shaw found, "that the petitioner had a fair and impartial trial, and that he was not denied any right or privilege guaranteed or granted him by the constitution of the United States or by the state of California, or by any statute of the United States or the state of California."

"It is established by the preponderance of evidence that petitioner was not a victim of a frame-up nor was he convicted as the result of

MISSISSIPPI AREA FIGHTS FLOOD CREST

Known Deaths in Ten States Set at 293; Homeless More Than Million.

Louisville, With Heaviest Loss of Life, Has New Rain Storm; South Faces Peril

By the Associated Press. The flooded Ohio river, struggling like a captive serpent of fabulous strength, sought escape against weakening levees today on its cresting descent to the Mississippi.

The known dead stood at 293, the heaviest passed the million mark, an additional 500,000 were endangered, and property loss was estimated at more than \$400,000,000.

Along the 1,000-mile trail of desolation the slowly receding waters lapped idly at empty houses in the empty towns.

The cost of rehabilitation, now becoming of paramount interest in northern Ohio river valley communities where the worst apparently has passed, drew estimates running into billions. Officials said the average cost for cleaning and drying out a single flooded home was \$250.

New Perils Arise. Fresh dangers cropped out by the dozens as the crest of the flood swung south.

At Paducah, Ky., the next point of crisis, Red Cross officials hurried to evacuate thousands of reluctant inhabitants in advance of the oncoming flood peak.

Col. Chat Rhodes, U. S. army engineer, warned of a 61-foot crest within the next 48 hours.

Below at Cairo, Ill., only men remained in the island city to bolster the 60-foot seawall against an expected four-foot rise in the river. Eight thousand—mostly women

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PRESIDENT'S BALL DETAILS FINISHED

All details for the annual birthday ball for the president at the Roseburg armory Saturday night have been completed, according to C. Wesley Williams, general chairman. Mr. Williams is being assisted by the entertainment committee of the Elks lodge and by representatives from each of the service clubs of Roseburg. Music is to be furnished by the Rhythm and the advance ticket sale points to a large crowd and a most enjoyable ball. As use of the hall, the music by the orchestra, and other services are being donated, all proceeds will go to the fund to be used in control of infantile paralysis. Thirty per cent of the money raised from the thousands of balls held simultaneously will go to the Warm Springs Foundation in Georgia for research work; the balance will be placed in a local fund to aid sufferers from the disease.

Referee Shaw adopted as his own findings recommended by Deputy Attorney General William E. Cleary, who opposed Mooney's habeas corpus petition.

Shaw found no evidence of perjury had been committed on perjury by the district attorney's office, and no suppression of evidence.