

THE WEATHER
Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 38%
Highest temperature yesterday 59
Lowest temperature last night 32
Precipitation for 24 hours..... 0
Precip. since first of month..... 0
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1937..... 38.45
Excess since Sept. 1, 1937..... 11.41
Cloudy; Frost in Morning.

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COUNTY JUDGE

Who'll be the governor's appointee to the vacant post in Douglas? Get the answer in the NEWS-REVIEW as soon as the announcement is flashed from Salem.

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HOUSE BATTLES OVER REORGANIZATION BILL

Editorials ON THE Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
HERE (thank heaven!) is a bright spot in the gloom that has been surrounding the front page for the past several months: Former President Hoover returns from a visit of several weeks in Europe and says he can see no immediate prospect of war over there.

That's good news indeed. "The spirit I found everywhere was one of DEFENSE, not of OFFENSE."

If that is true, it is big news. NOBODY ever starts a fight merely by defending himself. No matter how tense the atmosphere may be, a ruckus doesn't start until somebody HITS somebody else.

If everybody in Europe STAYS ON THE DEFENSIVE, there will be no war.

EVERY nation in Europe, Hoover says, is engaged in movements toward self-sufficiency. That's silly, of course. Self-sufficiency doesn't CREATE COMMERCE. Self-sufficiency means producing for yourself everything you eat, wear and use. Commerce (out of which prosperity arises) consists NOT in living off yourself but in swapping what you have for what somebody else has.

EUROPE, jittery over wars, has gone more or less crazy on (Continued on page 4)

CORDON GOING EAST ON LANDS FINANCE

Attorney Guy Cordon, legal advisor of the Oregon land grant counties, accompanied by Hugh McLain, county judge of Coos county, will leave Sunday for Washington, D. C. The purpose of their trip to the national capital is to endeavor to have the Coos Bay Wagon road grant lands in Coos and Douglas counties placed on the same financial basis as Oregon and California grant lands.

Under provisions of the recent bill establishing a new administration for the grant lands in Oregon, the counties secured provisions calling for 75 per cent of all revenues from O. and C. lands to be paid to the counties. The bill, however, did not provide the same system of payments of revenues from the wagon road grant lands, which under the present set-up return only 25 per cent to the counties.

Oddities Flashed From Press Wire

By the Associated Press.

Shadow Boxing

BALTIMORE.—The sight of a 16-year-old boy, his face masked, fighting with himself—trying to wrest a pistol from his own hand—was too much for Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bailey.

Mrs. Bailey screamed, George Retz, a hospital employee, dashed to the rescue, and fled with the boy's dog in pursuit. Police collared the boy and asked for explanations.

The pistol fired only caps and, it seems, the boy was practicing taking it away from himself. Police theorized the mask was to prevent him from recognizing himself.

Farm Problem

LADOGA, Ind.—A flood put the barn on Robert Wethington's farm partly under water and created a problem of how to milk the cow. Wethington solved it by coaxing the cow to the top of a haystack and milking her from a rowboat.

Mass Motherhood

PALO ALTO, Calif.—Sally, W. H. Brown's Chesapeake retriever, has so many puppies she has to nurse them in two shifts.

Senate Passes Loan Expansion Bill

AID PROVIDED FOR BUSINESS, STATES, CITIES

Long-Term Credit Power Given to RFC to Make Up for Limitations Put on Banks.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—The senate passed today a bill to give the reconstruction finance corporation wide new authority to lend to business enterprises. It also would revive RFC loans to states and subdivisions for public works construction.

The administration measure now goes to the house. The bill, by Senator Glass (D., Va.), would extend the scope of RFC lending and permit that agency to make available approximately \$1,500,000,000 for long time loans.

Loans to states and subdivisions would be permitted not only on so-called "self-liquidating" projects, but on all projects where the RFC finds there is reasonable assurance of repayment.

Long Terms Provided
Chairman Jesse H. Jones of the RFC testified the measure would make funds available for five, ten or fifteen year loans to business which commercial banks might not undertake.

Chairman Wagner (D., N. Y.), of the banking committee said the chief business aid would be to extend the RFC's power to make long-term loans.

"I understand," he said, "that the RFC hopes to cooperate with the banks in making capital investments. Because of the limitations on bank loans, the RFC may be able to grant longer terms on some of them than the banks."

He said it was possible that a business firm might obtain part of needed funds from its banks and part from the RFC.

"Or," he said, "the RFC might go in and say to the bank: 'Here, we'll take part of this loan if you feel that you cannot tie your money up in the full amount.'"

Building Costs Now Target
The RFC bill was one of several proposals under consideration by administration officials to aid business. Authoritative spokesmen disclosed the administration was attempting to batter down building prices in the hope of stimulating

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CCC ENROLLMENT BEGUN BY FECHNER

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Director Robert Fechner began today enrollment of 3,580 war veterans and 55,342 young men to bring the civilian conservation corps up to 260,000.

The enrollment of veterans and juniors by states will include: Oregon 9 and 360.

C. A. Sprague, Salem Editor, Seeks Governorship on Republican Ticket

People Aroused to Necessity For Change, Candidate's Statement Asserts.

SALEM, April 1.—(AP)—Charles A. Sprague, editor of the Oregon Statesman here, said yesterday he would file for the republican gubernatorial candidacy.

Sprague's statement said in part: "I enter the race not as a candidate of a group or faction, or with the purpose of opposing candidates now in the field, but with the idea of making what contribution I can in rebuilding the republican party as an instrument of government in the common interest."

"Chastened by defeat and purged of elements which have injured its prestige, the party can emerge as an organization of power and influence, standing for orderly progress with political and economic stability."

"The votes of Senator (A. Evan) Reames, who was appointed by Governor (Charles H.) Martin, on the reorganization bill and proposed amendments have roused the people to the need of a republican governor as well as senator."

Sprague was superintendent of schools at Walsburg, Wash., from 1910 to 1913; assistant superintendent of public instruction for the state of Washington, 1913-1915; editor and publisher of the Ritzville, Wash., Journal-Times from 1915 to 1925.

He became business manager of the Corvallis Gazette-Times in 1925, and came to Salem in 1929 as editor-manager and principal owner of the Statesman.



Charles A. Sprague

PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT PLAN UP IN DOUGLAS

Preliminary Steps Toward Organization Taken at Meet Representing 25 Communities.

Approximately 25 towns and communities of Douglas county are taking preliminary steps to plan for organization of public power districts. It was reported at a well attended meeting at the courthouse in Roseburg last night. Representatives were present from nearly all parts of the county for the meet at which an executive committee to proceed with preliminary plans was named. The next meeting will be held April 14.

A committee including T. B. Busenbark, county chairman; W. J. Meredith, secretary; J. D. Davis, Roseburg; Ralph Richter, Camas Valley; Mrs. Annie Kruse, Yoncalla; Willard Smith, Glade, and R. B. Spackman, Dillard, was named to direct further organization work. The committee is expected to prepare a report outlining proposed utility districts, and to direct the work of definitely establishing boundaries and securing elections.

Every community in the county is urged by the power-group to hold local meetings to determine sentiment of the residents relative to the formation of utility districts, and to appoint committees of five members to serve as representatives at the county-wide meetings.

Communities represented last night were Drain, Yoncalla, Elkton, Kellogg, Reedsport, Scottsburg, Gardiner, Oakland, Scotts Valley, Sutherlin, Roseburg, Look-Inglass, Dillard, Glenary, Glide, Olalla, South Deer Creek, Tennie, Melrose, Elgarose, Camas Valley, Riddle and Riversdale.

It was pointed out by speakers that the first action to be taken is that of determining the sentiment of each community toward public utility districts. This must be followed by establishment of

2 MORE DIE AFTER SERUM INJECTION

ORLANDO, Fla., April 1.—(AP)—A man and a woman died in hospitals today, bringing to nine the number of persons who have succumbed after being injected with a cancer treatment serum.

Mrs. Lydia Morrison, 49, and C. S. Pore, 65, both of Orlando, died today within two hours of each other.

Six women died Wednesday and another yesterday. Two other patients—a man and a woman—stricken at the same time were gravely ill today.

Dr. T. A. Neal said the 11 and another woman admitted to a hospital last night all had received the serum at his clinic from a single bottle.

Physicians said tetanus treatments had no effect on those who died, a fact which puzzled them. They said the patients had all the symptoms of the disease except their lack of response to the usual treatment.

Meanwhile, a coroner's jury was in session until investigations were completed by the federal food and drug administration, the Orange County Medical association, the state board of health and the American Medical association.

GUFFEY REVOKES
APPROVAL OF EARLE

HARRISBURG, Pa., April 1.—(AP)—United States Senator Joseph E. Guffey declared today that Mayor S. Davis Wilson of Philadelphia, for the democratic nomination for U. S. senator, revoking a previous endorsement given Governor George H. Earle for that office.

Guffey split with the democratic state committee over its slating of Charles Alvin Jones, Pittsburgh attorney, for governor and threw his support to Thomas Kennedy, who is backed for that nomination by CIO Chief John L. Lewis. The committee also slated Earle for the senate.

PHONE SYSTEM HIT IN REPORT TO CONGRESS

Rate Reduction Possible by Slashing "Unnecessarily High Costs," Asserts Commissioner.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Federal Communications Commissioner Paul A. Walker informed congress today that the Bell Telephone company could reduce its rates 25 per cent by eliminating "unnecessarily high costs."

These costs, Walker said in a proposed report on the telephone investigation directed by the commission, result from manufacturing, engineering, depreciation, bookkeeping and other policies for which the American Telephone and Telegraph company is responsible.

"Untrue," Gifford Says
Walter S. Gifford, president of the A. T. & T., said in a statement released simultaneously with the report, that if a summary available to him correctly reflects the report, "it presents much that is simply not true and has been prepared with the same unfairness that characterized the investigation proceedings."

Gifford, asserting that a full copy of the report had not been furnished him, declared the Bell system earnings have never been excessive and that a suggestion that rates might be reduced 25 per cent, by changing policies and practices of the system, was absurd.

The A. T. & T., he added, has "complete control" of the Bell system, and the latter includes 90 per cent or more of the telephone industry.

Walker recommended that the federal communications commission be given jurisdiction to "review, approve or disapprove all Bell system policies and practices promulgated by the central management group of the American company."

Chairman Frank R. McNinch said Walker's report did not constitute a commission report, but was submitted for information.

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NEW OFFER OF EYE MADE TO MINISTER

PORTLAND, April 1.—(AP)—The Rev. U. E. Harding, had today an offer from home to furnish healthy tissue to save his falling sight.

The minister, who will return Saturday from San Francisco, where he appealed to condemned criminals at San Quentin prison for a healthy cornea, was offered the eye of Mrs. E. Lytle, Portland, his family said.

The Rev. Mr. Harding, who has undergone eight unsuccessful operations to save his sight, falling since he suffered scarlet fever in childhood, underwent a preparatory operation at San Francisco to prepare his left eye to receive a healthy cornea. It possibly would restore vision. He is totally blind in the right eye.

Mrs. Harding said her husband would not accept the sacrifice from a "normal" person. Offers to give an eye have been received from Maine, Maryland, Florida, Pennsylvania, Canada and California, and Mrs. Harding said money seldom was asked.

The 54-year-old minister is the father of six children.

CREDIT MAN SLATED FOR FEDERAL POST

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Henry H. Hejmann of New York was mentioned in commerce department circles today as the probable choice for assistant secretary of commerce. Hejmann is executive manager of the National Association of Retail Creditmen.

An attempt to draft John D. Biggera was unsuccessful, it was learned. He has completed his work as director of the unemployment census.

The assistant secretaryship became vacant this week when Ernest G. Draper joined the federal reserve board.

Nomination For Judge Open At May Primary

The vacancy in the office of county judge will be filled by election in the normal manner, which requires nominations at the May primary election, County Clerk Roy Agee reported today. Prospective candidates, he states, have only until Monday, April 4, in which to file nominating petitions.

Appointment of a successor to the late George Quinn is anticipated soon, the appointee, who will be named by Governor Martin, being scheduled to serve until January 1, 1939.

The election laws provide that where a vacancy occurs 20 days before a "general" election, that a vote on a candidate to fill the office shall be made at the election date. The law makes no reference to the primary election, but the county clerk, after referring the matter to the district attorney, announced today that the latter had given his opinion that the election should follow the usual procedure of nomination at the primaries, with the successful candidates to carry party nominations at the general election. The primary vote, however, will not preclude the entry of independent candidates for the general election.

DECISIVE BATTLES ON IN 2 COUNTRIES

Armies of Spain and China Reported Fighting With Backs to Wall.

(By the Associated Press)
Both the Chinese and the Spanish government armies fought with their backs to the wall today in battles that may prove decisive in the wars of east and west.

Spanish insurgent commanders declared they had seized dominating positions at Lerida, "gateway" to Barcelona, the government's seat and hub of its resistance. Government forces, however, had prepared a new defensive line 10 miles to the east on which to fall back if their hold on Lerida, 80 miles from Barcelona, is broken.

Chinese are carrying on a desperate defense of Tachienwang, little city on a narrow gauge railroad east of the main Tientsin-Pukow line in Shantung province. After eight days of ferocious street fighting and a brief lull today Japanese shock troops, preceded by tanks, launched a new attack.

Japs Reported Mauled
Meanwhile, Chinese attacked at other points on a 150-mile central China front along the Tientsin-Pukow railway from Lincheng northward to Tachien.

Japanese hold the majority of walled towns in the area. Chinese flanking columns from west of the railroad repeatedly were attacking Japanese positions and said they were demoralizing Japanese supply lines.

Reports from foreign observers near the front said Japanese divisions commanded by famous generals had been badly mauled in recent operations.

Refugees Flee to France
Thousands of Spanish military and civilian refugees fleeing before the great insurgent drive through northeastern Spain today packed a French mountain resort after days of terrible hardships in the Pyrenees.

Through deep snow the refugees plodded toward a haven in friendly France, but many of their companions already had met death in the fighting.

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Fight to Broaden Income Tax Base Will be Carried to Senate Floor

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Senator La Follette (Prog., Wis.) decided today to carry to the senate floor his fight to broaden the income tax base.

Senator McNary of Oregon, the republican leader, and Senator Byrnes (D., S. C.), forecast the senate would approve the finance committee's revision of the house bill. Debate will begin next Wednesday.

Byrnes expressed the conviction that the committee's suggestions for modifying business taxes are "one of the best things we could do to help business."

Here are the major provisions of the senate committee measure, together with comparable provisions in the house bill and in existing law:

Provisions Compared
Corporation income taxes.

FOES BEATEN IN EFFORT TO BLOCK DEBATE

Tumultuous Scenes Occur On Floor; Final Action May Not Come Until Next Week.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Supporters of the administration's reorganization bill battled through vigorous opposition delay tactics today to force the house to resume consideration of the controversial measure.

Speaker Bankhead announced the vote was 206 to 139 on a motion to proceed with debate. Opposition members had tried in vain to block continuation of the discussion begun yesterday.

The oppositionists' time-consuming maneuvers used up an hour and a half. When they were successful in blocking a time limitation on house discussion, Chairman Cochran (D-Mt.) told reporters the house would be held in session "until midnight, if necessary," to conclude debate.

Angry protests against attempts to choke off debate tilted the house into a parliamentary knot.

This strong opposition to bringing the measure to a final vote during the day was considered an indication final action might be delayed over the week-end.

Speaker Bankhead conceded it was "possible" action might be deferred until next week and Chairman O'Connor (D-NY) of the rules committee was one of those asking the legislation's managers to "stop all attempts to jam the bill through."

Sweeney Is Rolled
Representative Sweeney (D-N.Y.), his face flushed, stopped two efforts to limit debate. Cochran asked that debate close in five hours.

When Sweeney objected to that, Cochran attempted to limit debate to today's session. Sweeney hotly objected to that, too.

"This bill has excited the country more than any piece of legislation in the last decade," Sweeney shouted. "We ought to consider it a week or month, if necessary."

Sweeney apparently referred to the barrage of telegrams and letters on the bill to members of the house and senate. Employees of telegraph companies worked all night to handle the stacks of messages. One company estimated it had delivered 45,000 telegrams on the

ROSEBURG PAROLEE ARRESTED IN COOS

Fred W. Foulks, who, following his arrest here Feb. 13, 1934, was paroled from a sentence of one year in the county jail on a bad check charge, is again under arrest at Marshfield, Sheriff Percy Webb reported today. He is charged at Marshfield with defrauding an innkeeper.

The sheriff reports he is informed in a bulletin from the bureau of criminal identification that Foulks has been arrested 20 times in California, Oregon and Washington. He has served short terms in both the Washington and Oregon state penitentiaries. Most of the arrests have been on bad check, forgery, obtaining money by false pretenses and similar charges, the sheriff states.

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